

THE SUNDIAL



“We remember only the sunny days”

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Many children are being driven to get grades. Do not make your child over-anxious about his grades. Do not criticize him. Let him progress naturally. Do not expect immediate success. Be thrilled by gradual progress.

Let's Bring Them Up Sensibly by Mae Carden

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Sports Awards

Sportsmanship:

Charlotte Glander
Grant Uberstine

Leadership:

Ernest Adendorff
Kendyll Ridgway



We Give Thanks

November is a time to give thanks. In November we remember our valiant veterans, past and present, and thank them for giving of themselves in the protection of our country.

November is also the month that we celebrate Thanksgiving. We gather with family and friends to renew our special bonds and to show our gratitude for the abundance we have in our lives today.

We would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. McCallum and their helpful parents who worked so hard to check and refill the school's earthquake supplies. This project required several days work. We really appreciate everyone's hard work.



Happy Hearts and Busy Bees

Mrs. Fleming will start accepting nominations from teachers for Happy Hearts and Busy Bees for students in grades one through eight.

To be eligible for a Happy Heart, a student thinks of kind deeds and does them without being asked. They give a friendly word to a discouraged classmate. They do not make unkind remarks or join in when others do. This includes laughing at another person or making fun of them. A Happy Heart does not tease classmates or joke about them to others in class or on the playground. They are a true friend.

To be eligible for a Busy Bee, a student is ready, in their seat when class starts, with paper and two sharpened pencils. They listen to the teacher's lesson and do not talk to a neighboring child. They keep on task and complete their assignments. They ask questions when they do not understand something. A Busy Bee participates in discussions which shows that they have been paying attention. All homework is neatly done and turned in at the beginning of each class.

This is what we are looking for, not the perfect child, but one who is kind to others, hardworking, and eager to improve in all areas.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mrs. Eason's 3rd Grade Class Play —Thursday, November 6th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Eason's 3rd Grade class will perform "Peggy the Pint-Sized Pirate" in the auditorium. Parents and grandparents are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the classroom to enjoy refreshments and to view their child's special work.

CCPA General Meeting — Friday, November 7th

The CCPA meeting will take place in the school auditorium immediately following the Assembly.

Report Cards Mailed Home — Friday, November 7th

Students in Kindergarten through 8th grade will receive the first reports of their grades. Please remember to view the grades with your child in a positive way. If there are areas that you think should be improved, discuss with your child what they can do to raise the grade.

Veterans' Day Holiday Observed — Monday, November 10th

No school in honor of our American heroes.



IOWA Testing — November 11th-13th

All this week our students in grades Three through Seven will be taking the Iowa tests in their classrooms. Please do not schedule appointments for the students away from school during this time.

Used Clothing Drive — Friday, November 14th

At morning drop-off, please bring in your gently used clothing (not Carden Uniforms) to be donated to the Battered Women's Shelter.

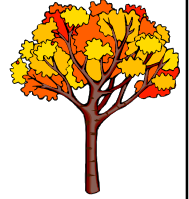
Traffic Safety

For the safety of our children, please remember that U-turns on Silverspring and blocking the crosswalk on the corner of Evenstar and Silverspring are illegal and dangerous.

Mrs. Torigian's Kindergarten Class Play — Thursday, November 20th

On Thursday morning at 8:30 am, Mrs. Torigian's Kindergarten class will perform "The Giving Tree" in the auditorium.

Parents and grandparents are invited to enjoy this dramatic performance. After the play, all are invited to the classroom to enjoy refreshments and to view their child's special work.



Lower School Thanksgiving Assembly and Feast — Friday, November 21st

The Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten classes will have their Thanksgiving Assembly and Feast. The children dress up as Pilgrims and Native Americans and have a wonderful time cooking the dinner for each other.

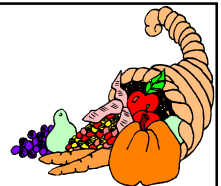
The Assembly begins at 9:45 am in the auditorium.

Photo Retakes and Picture Makeup Day — Friday, November 21st

For those students or staff who were not present on picture day, the photography studio will be set up in the auditorium to take your photograph following the Assembly. If you would like your child's picture retaken, please bring your packet with the original photos.

Thanksgiving Assembly — Wednesday, November 26th

Please make sure your student (K-8th) wears their assembly dress uniform. All classes will participate with a contribution.



School is out for the Thanksgiving holiday at 12:00 Noon. There is **NO PLAY PROGRAM** after 12:00 pm. Please give parents picking up Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten children priority in the pickup line for their child's dismissal at 11:30 am. Parents of K-8 students should join the pickup line no earlier than 11:45 am. Thank you for your patience.

Thanksgiving Holiday — November 27th-30th

Have a safe and happy family time together. School reconvenes on Monday, December 1st.

Happy Thanksgiving