



PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER
October 31, 2018
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Mon., November 5	No School - Teacher Workday
Tues., November 6	No School - Election Day
Wed., November 7	Parent Conferences - school opens 4 hrs. late
Thurs., November 8	Parent Conferences - school opens 4 hrs. late
Fri., November 9	Parent Conferences - school dismisses 3½ hrs. early
Sun., November 11	SES 5K/1-Mile Fun Run
November 12-16	American Education Week
Mon., November 12	Holiday Luncheon at SES SES Parent Group meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Tues., November 13	Picture Make-up/Retake Day
Wed., November 14	Math Night at SES
Thurs., November 15	Report cards distributed
Fri., November 16	Pajama Day TMS Band/Chorus Performance at SES
Wed., November 21	2-hr. early dismissal - Teacher Work Session
November 22-23	No school - Happy Thanksgiving!

Picture Retakes: Picture retakes will be held on Tuesday, November 13. If your child was absent on the original picture day, an order form will be sent home with your child. If your package was defective in some way and you desire a retake of the original package, please return the entire package with your child noting your concern and reason for retake on the envelope.

Keeping Our School Healthy: Please notify the staff in the health room if your child develops a contagious condition, such as chickenpox, strep throat, lice, pink eye, mono, pneumonia, etc. Now that the cold and flu season is here, please remind your student to practice good hygiene. Hand washing and tissues are excellent barriers and deterrents. Please keep your child home from school if he/she is ill and/or has a fever. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's illness, please call your health care provider. As an employee of the Frederick County Health Department, the School Nurse follows CDC guidelines to investigate and to prevent the spread of communicable diseases. She tracks student illness by monitoring absenteeism, noting the number of student visits and symptoms of illness seen in the health room, and gathering information from families and staff. Thank you for your cooperation. You can contact the health room at 240-236-6003.

Label, Label, Label: Because cold weather will be here soon, we know that children will be wearing outerwear items such as heavier coats, hats and gloves to school. Please label these items for easy identification. THANKS!

Cold Weather Guidelines: It is difficult to set guidelines that fit every circumstance and condition concerning outside activities during cold weather. Principals are advised to use their discretion and good judgment as to whether or not students will go outside, as well as the duration of the outside activity. Principals may opt for a shorter recess period in cold temperatures or specify a temperature of above 20 degrees as the cut off point for going out. Elementary students should not go outdoors for recess or physical education whenever the temperature falls below 20 degrees, including the wind chill factor. Please note the guidelines for **Sabillasville Elementary School:** If the temperature outside is between 20-32 degrees, each team will make a decision regarding outdoor recess. If the temperature is above 32 degrees, students will be expected to go outdoors; so please make sure your child has appropriate winter attire during the winter months.

Conference Information: Conference days are scheduled for November 7, 8, and 9. Notification of your scheduled times were sent home earlier. Please make every effort to attend your conference, as the teachers look forward to sharing information with you regarding your child. Below is additional information regarding the upcoming conferences:

Wednesday and Thursday, November 7 and 8

School opens 4 hours late (doors open at 12:00 p.m.)

No lunch is served

Parent-teacher conferences are in the evening (3:30-7:15 p.m.)

Friday, November 9

School dismisses 3.5 hours early (11:35 a.m.)

Lunch is served

Parent-teacher conferences are in the afternoon (12:00-3:15 p.m.)



Fall Music Newsletter

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Hello! My name is Miss Smith, and I am happy to be teaching music this school year at Sabillasville Elementary. I have been teaching music for 15 years. I live in Waynesboro with my husband and beagle Lulu. I started playing the euphonium (baby tuba) in 3rd grade. See you in music class!

Curriculum

During the first marking period in music, students have been studying improvisation. Improvisation is creating music without preparation. Musical improvisation involves imagination and creativity. In October, we began studying steady beat and rhythm.

Recorders :

Starting in December, Third, Fourth, and Fifth graders will begin playing the recorder in music class. The recorder is a renaissance flute, a forerunner of the modern flute, clarinet, and saxophone. The small size and affordability make it a great tool for students to experience playing a melodic instrument. Recorders are provided to students by the school in Third grade. It is important for students to have their own recorder for sanitary reasons and to take home and practice. Students will also receive a folder and music packet to practice.

Winter Concert: Featuring Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades
Tuesday, December 11, 6:00 pm, Dress Rehearsal at 2:15 pm
Dress: Holiday Colors

