

SIBLEY ELEMENTARY

**October 2016
Newsletter**

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Dear Sibley Families,

We've had an excellent start here at Sibley! Transitioning from summer-mode to school-mode isn't always easy. On behalf of the Sibley staff, I'd like to thank you for your efforts as parents/guardians.

The PTO sponsored walk-a-thon will occur Friday, October 7th. Please mark your calendars as we are hoping we can get as many of you out to Sibley from 2:30-3:00 for our all school walk. More details will be emailed or sent home from the PTO in the near future.

Speaking of email...if you are not receiving all of the Sibley updates via email, please contact either DeEtte or Kim in our office (507-645-3470) and they will get your email address added to the list. We continue to communicate more and more with technology and we'd really like to reduce our use of paper.

With so many new families in the school, it's important to share following information about bullying. This information has been shared in the past, but seeing it again serves as a good reminder for all of us.

Although bullying was once dismissed as an ordinary part of growing up, we now know that it is an antisocial behavior that traumatizes millions of students each year and disrupts school life for millions more. Bullying encompasses a spectrum of aggressive behaviors ranging from overt acts of physical violence to far more subtle, yet equally destructive, patterns of verbal or relational cruelty; and that bullying is often a common thread linking a school's most troubling issues, including suicide, substance abuse, increased absenteeism, and academic failure.

The greater challenge for those of us working in schools is recognizing bullying. We would be foolish to believe bullying doesn't occur at Sibley Elementary School. That said, those doing the bullying are savvy and many of their actions occur under the radar. The victims are masterful at shielding their social-and antisocial-lives from adults. Moreover, although students know bullying is painful, they often are not clear that bullying is wrong or preventable, so they do not report it.

Being alert and observant is critical, since victims are often reluctant to report bullying. Many victims don't report it to their parents or teachers because they're embarrassed or humiliated by the bullying. They may assume that adults will accuse them of tattling or will tell them to deal with it themselves. Some victims believe there is nothing adults can do to get the bully to stop. Naturally, bullies don't discuss their misdeeds with their parents or teachers. If their bullying behavior is reported and their parents confront them, bullies usually deny their involvement.

If the bullying occurs at school, then the main responsibility for dealing with it lies with those of us working in the school. It's important, however, that the parents of the victim collaborate with the school to implement an agreed-upon plan for solving the problem. According to Marlene Snyder, Ph.D., if your child has been the victim of bullying at school, here are some suggestions for reporting the problem to school authorities:

- After talking to your child, but before contacting school personnel, write down the details of the bullying situations reported to you by your child. Note the dates and the names of the kids involved. Try to view the situation objectively and determine the how serious it is.
- Your child may resist your involvement if he fears retaliation by the bully. If so, explain to child that most bullying situations require adult intervention to resolve the problem. Let him/her know exactly who you plan to talk to.



- Contact school personnel for assistance in ending the bullying. First share the problem with your child's teacher(s), and work together to decide how to approach the problem. If the teacher isn't able to get the bullying under control, go to the principal and make a formal request in writing (link to District form below) that s/he get the bullying to stop.
- Do not contact the bully or the bully's family directly.
- Keep an ongoing log of the dates of any further bullying incidents and the actions you take to help your child deal with the bullying. Inform the school of ongoing bullying incidents.

Along with Bullying Policy 514 we have a Bullying Report Form. I encourage you to use this form if you suspect your child is being bullied or your child shows signs of any of the following:

- Appears afraid or reluctant to go to school in the morning, complaining repeatedly of headaches or stomach pains.
- Chooses an "illogical" route for going to and from school.
- Has bad dreams or cries in his/her sleep.
- Appears sad or depressed, or shows unexpected mood shifts, irritability, and sudden outbursts of temper.
- Comes home from school with clothing that's torn or in disarray, or with damaged books.
- Has bruises, cuts, and scratches, but can't give a logical explanation for how he got them.

Please know that Sibley Elementary School is absolutely loaded with excellent students who make great decisions every day. These 5-11 year olds are going to make mistakes during their time here and we know that. Intervening early, gaining the support of the families and helping students learn from their mistakes along the way is our job ~ together with families. Every child is a work in progress and we thank you for your support as we move forward.

Sincerely,



Scott Sannes

Queridas familias de Sibley,

¡Hemos tenido un comienzo excelente en Sibley! Pasar del ritmo de las vacaciones al ritmo de la escuela no es siempre fácil. De parte de los que trabajamos en Sibley me gustaría darles las gracias por sus esfuerzos como padres, madres y tutores. El walk-a-thon patrocinado por el PTO tendrá lugar el viernes 7 de octubre. Por favor, anoten ese día en sus calendarios ya que esperamos poder contar con muchos de ustedes para que vengan a Sibley desde las 2:30 hasta las 3:00 ese día para caminar con toda la escuela. Les enviaremos un correo electrónico o información adicional del PTO cuando se acerque el día del walk-a-thon. Y por cierto, hablando de correos electrónicos... si no está recibiendo los mensajes de Sibley, por favor, pónganse en contacto con DeEtte o Kim en nuestra oficina (507-645-3470) y ellas pueden poner su correo electrónico en la lista. Cada día nos comunicamos más y más con la ayuda de la tecnología y nos gustaría mucho poder reducir el uso del papel. Con tantas familias nuevas en la escuela, es importante compartir la siguiente información sobre acoso escolar (bullying). Esta información ya la hemos enviado en el pasado pero verla de nuevo es una buena forma para que todos la recordemos. Aunque en otras épocas el acoso escolar entre estudiantes se consideraba como una parte típica de la infancia y adolescencia ahora sabemos sin embargo que se trata de una conducta antisocial que traumatiza a millones de estudiantes cada año y que afecta negativamente la vida escolar de otros tantos millones de estudiantes. El acoso escolar tiene muchas formas desde conductas agresivas que van desde las más violentas físicamente y explícitas a otras más sutiles, pero igualmente destructivas, conductas de agresión verbal o en las relaciones personales. El acoso se asocia en muchas ocasiones a problemas graves en la escuela incluyendo el suicidio, el consumo de sustancias nocivas, el no asistir a la escuela y el no tener buenas notas. El mayor reto para todos los que trabajamos en las escuelas es reconocer el acoso escolar. No podemos pensar que este tipo de acoso no existe en nuestra escuela Sibley Elementary. Una vez dicho y admitido que existe hay que entender que muchos que acosan a otros son listos y en muchas ocasiones no nos damos cuenta de lo que está ocurriendo. Las víctimas del acoso hacen lo posible para ocultar sus vidas sociales y anti sociales de los adultos. Muchos estudiantes saben que el acoso hace daño y sin embargo no tienen muy claro que el acoso es algo que es malo y que se puede evitar, así que no lo denuncian a los adultos.

Es muy importante estar alerta y observar lo que ocurre ya que las víctimas no suelen denunciar el acoso que sufren. Muchas víctimas no se lo cuentan a sus padres o maestros porque se sienten humillados y con pena por culpa del acoso que sufren. Asumen que los adultos les van a acusar de ser unos chismosos o que les van a decir que tienen que enfrentarse al acoso ellos mismos. Algunas víctimas creen que los adultos no pueden hacer nada para que el acoso pare. Naturalmente, los que realizan el acoso nunca hablan de lo que hacen mal con sus padres o maestros. Si alguien los denuncia y sus padres y madres les preguntan sobre la acusación de que están acosando a otro estudiante la mayoría de las veces niegan que acosen a otros.

Si el acoso ocurre en la escuela, entonces la responsabilidad de qué hacer sobre el acoso es de los que trabajamos en la escuela. Es importante sin embargo contar con que los padres y madres de los que acosan colaboren con la escuela para lograr un plan en común para resolver el problema. Siguiendo a Marlene Snyder, Doctorada, si su hijo/a es víctima de algún acoso en la escuela, pueden tener en cuenta las siguientes sugerencias de cómo denunciar el problema a las autoridades de la escuela:

- Después de hablar con su hijo/a, pero antes de contactar con el personal de la escuela, escriban todos los detalles de la situación de acoso que les cuenten su hijo/a. Escriban las fechas y los nombres de los niños en cada situación. Intenten enfrentarse a la situación de una forma objetiva y piensen en si es seria o no.
- Puede que su hijo/a se resista a que ustedes lo ayuden por miedo a que quien le/la acosa le haga algo peor. Si es así, expliquen a su hijo/a que en la mayoría de las situaciones de acoso es necesaria la intervención de los adultos para resolver el problema. Expliquen a su hijo/a exactamente con quién va a hablar en la escuela.
- Pónganse en contacto con personal de la escuela que les pueden ayudar a que el acoso pare. Primero compartan el problema con el profesor/a de su hijo/a y trabajen juntos para decidir cómo hacer frente al problema. Si el profesor/a no puede controlar la situación de acoso tienen que ir al director y hacer un informe oficial escrito (vean la conexión por internet al documento a rellenar del distrito sobre acoso) para que el director pueda poner fin al acoso.

- No se pongan en contacto con el/la que acosa o su familia directamente.

Escriban las fechas de otros momentos en los que ocurre el acoso y lo que están haciendo para ayudar a su hijo/a a enfrentarse a la situación de acoso. Informen a la escuela de las situaciones de acoso que puedan estar ocurriendo.


Junto con los documentos sobre acoso, norma 514 tenemos un formulario para informar sobre el acoso del distrito. Les animo a que usen estos documentos si sospechan que su hijo/a es víctima de algún tipo de acoso y si su hijo/a muestra alguno de los signos que siguen a continuación:

- Su hijo/a tiene miedo o no quiere ir a la escuela por las mañanas, se queja mucho de tener dolores de cabeza y dolores de estómago.
- Elige ir y venir de la escuela por un camino que no es normal para ir a la escuela.
- Tiene muchas pesadillas y llora cuando duerme.
- Se muestra deprimido o triste o tiene cambios de humor inesperados, está irritado/a y siente mal genio y mal humor de pronto.
- Llega de la escuela con la ropa rota o descolocada o con libros rotos.

Tiene cortes, moratones, magulladuras y no parece tener una explicación lógica que explique cómo se los hizo.




Quiero que sepan que Sibley Elementary está lleno de estudiantes estupendos y excelentes que toman buenas decisiones todos los días. Pero estos niños de entre 5 y 11 años cometen errores alguna vez mientras están en Sibley y lo sabemos. Intervenir a tiempo y temprano, lograr el apoyo de las familias y ayudar a los estudiantes a que aprendan de sus errores es nuestro trabajo junto con el trabajo de las familias. Cada niño/a es una obra en construcción y les damos las gracias por su apoyo en nuestro trabajo en el avance de nuestros estudiantes.

Atentamente,



Scott Sannes

October 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 	4 Student Council Mtg. 7:30-8:15 Fox's Room Green Team Meeting 7:30am Johnson's Room	5 1 Hour Late Start	6	7 <u>WALK-A-THON</u> Kindergarten @ 9:00-9:25 Grade 1 @ 9:30-9:55 Grade 2 @ 1:00-1:25 Grade 3 @ 12:30-12:55 Grade 4 @ 11:00-11:25 Grade 5 @ 11:30-11:55 All School Walk @ 2:30-3:00
10 School Board Meeting– NHS @ 7pm	11 Vision and Hearing Screening PTO Meeting 6:30 Media Center	12 1 Hour Late Start	13 Fall Conferences 3:30-8:30	14
17 Kind. Field Trip to Bridgewater Produce Downs & Heil 9:00-11:00 Fall Conferences 3:30-8:30	18 Picture Retake Day Kind. Field Trip to Bridgewater Produce Born & Wacholz 9:00-11:00	19 1 Hour Late Start	No School—Education MN Break	
24 District Band Concert 7:00 p.m. @ NHS School Board Meeting– NHS @ 7pm	25 Vision and Hearing Rescreening	26 1 Hour Late Start	27	28
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Mark your calendars for these upcoming events!

- 11/1– Student Council Meeting
- 11/1– Green Team Meeting
- 11/7- Teacher Workshop - No School
- 11/14- School Board Meeting- NHS @ 7:00pm
- 11/15- PTO Meeting– 6:30 Media Center
- 11/17- Sibley Choir Concert 7:00pm NMS
- 11/23– Teacher Workshop - No School
- 11/24-11/27 -Thanksgiving Break
- 11/28- School Board Meeting- NHS @ 7:00pm



Trash to Cash-Sara Ailabouni

The biggest news to the Trash to Cash program this month is that we are adding a couple programs to our list. In an effort to replace programs that have ended (Target and Labels for Learning), we are testing out the Loaves 4 Learning and My Coke Rewards program.

Loaves 4 Learning:

Save the UPC proof of purchase on all Country Hearth and Village Hearth Bread products.
Sibley can turn each UPC in for 5 cents.



My Coke Rewards:

Save rewards codes printed on Coke products. They can be found on the inside of Coke Bottle caps or on the inside of the carton for cases of cans. Don't forget that Coke also makes Barq's, Dasani, Fanta, Fresca, Fuze, Mello Yellow, Minute Maid, Mr. Pibb, Powerade, Seagrams, Sprite, and Tab!

We are also still saving the following: Box Tops for Education, Milk Moola, Econo Receipts, Holyland Hummus, Tyson Project A+, used ink cartridges, and Our Family product UPC's (we thought that this program had ended but it would appear that it did not- sorry for the confusion. Please remember that we are not asking you to purchase anything that you wouldn't normally purchase. We simply want you to save the packaging that we can turn into rewards for Sibley. Last year this program was able to bring in around \$4,000. We are already at \$1,000 for this year.

We would love to see you get your neighbors, friends, & family members to save as well! Also, get your kids involved in collecting Box Tops and UPC's from your pantry. They can count the Box Tops and write the quantity on the baggie or envelope that you are sending them in. This is super helpful to us and teaches kids about the importance of giving back. The 2016 Trash to Cash Collection Guide will come home soon with your child. It contains info on how you can organize your "trash" when sending it in to be more helpful to us. This is in response to many requests from parents wishing to do so. If you don't have time to count, just send them in and we will understand.

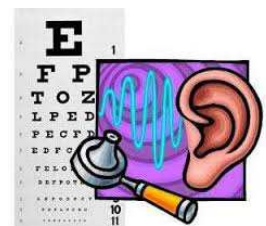


We are always in need of parents to help count "trash". This is an easy way to help Sibley! You will receive an e-mail letting you know that there is a bag of goodies coming home with your student. You count the "trash" in the comfort of your home (and jammies), and send it back with your student. SO easy! If you didn't sign up on the PTO volunteer form but wish to help, you can email sailabouni@yahoo.com and I will add you to the list.

Health Office - Jane Ehlers

A few reminders as we start this new school year 2016-2017:

Parents or guardians of a student who will not be in school should call every day of absence to the Sibley Attendance Voicemail. It is available 24 hours a day. The number is **507-645-3474**. If a phone call is not received by 8:30 a.m. and your child does not arrive at school, you will be telephoned to verify the absence. It is a great help if you call for each absence. Thank you for your cooperation!



Vision and hearing screening will take place on **Tuesday October 11th**. The Minnesota Department of Health recommends screening the first grade students, the third grade students and the fifth grade students. Rescreening will take place on **Wednesday, October 25th.**, for those students needing to be rescreened. If a problem is detected, you will be sent a letter referring you to your physician for further evaluation.

If you have concerns regarding your student's vision or hearing, please do not hesitate to call or email me. My contact information is listed below.

If you are interested in **volunteering your time to assist with this important screening on October 11th or October 25th** please email or call me. Your help is greatly appreciated!!!

Jane M. Ehlers, RN
507-645-3475

Fifth Grade Band News - Stefanie Bothun

Greetings from the band room!

Fifth grade band has been going great so far! All the kids have come to their lessons and morning rehearsals prepared and ready to work. All morning rehearsals will take place on Fridays beginning at 7:15 am. Please drop your student off by the music room doors and they can enter from there to get their stuff ready for band. Every student is also scheduled for a 20 minute lesson during the school day on either Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Fridays.

OUR FIRST CONCERT = MONDAY OCTOBER 24, 7:00 PM NORTHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL! This is our whole district concert at the high school where all bands from 5th – 12th grade will join together for a concert. All the 5th graders will be playing first starting right at 7:00 pm. After the 5th graders play, they are required to stay for the remainder of the concert to listen to the other bands and see how they will progress through the years if they stay in band. At the very end of the concert, all the bands will play a finale piece, so please stick around! More information on this concert will be sent out mid-October with call time and dress expectations.

Keep up the great work 5th grade band students and I look forward to our first concert!



Sibley PTO Fall Scholastic Book Fair

Volunteers needed! Volunteers get Buy 3, Get 1 Free!

The Sibley PTO is sponsoring a Scholastic Book Fair in the Skylight Commons, book fairs raise thousands of dollars to buy books and other media for Sibley! This is a great time to stock up on books, plan to shop with your family during Conferences or there will be times set aside for shopping during school hours.

Book Fair Hours:

Thur 10/08

7:00-8:00 Teacher Preview

8:00-11:00 Open for Sales

2:00-8:30 Open for Sales

Fri 10/09

1:00-5:30 Open for Sales

Mon 10/12

8:00-11:00 Open for Sales

1:00-3:30 Open for Sales

Tues 10/13

10:00-11:00 Open for Sales

2:30-8:30 Open for Sales



Sign up at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C44A5AB2AA4F58-2015>

or contact Kara Kick (karakick03@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Student Council– Becki Haar & Nancy Fox

Student Council is excited to kick-off a great school year filled with many activities that will help our school and local community, as well as nationally. Student council is made up of fourth and fifth grade students. These students meet once a month to discuss and work on projects. Sibley student council members this year are:



Fourth Graders:

Isiah Mahal
Jayden Seifert
Tommy Hawanchak
Ashley Schaffer
Tristan Westergren
Emily Beaham
Caroline Brice
Ryan Cahoon

Fifth Graders:

Blue Handlang
Annabelle Rezac
Maddie Bussmann
Eva Ness
Natalia Trevino-Avila
Gwen Stopka
Sam Boardman
Will Downs
Leah Eney
Cayden Monson

Our first Student Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 4th from 7:30 am - 8:10 am in Mrs. Fox's class. Students will be kicking off the month of October by supporting the Northfield Raiders during Homecoming Week, October 3-7, 2016. They will be participating in dress-up days. Sibley students are encouraged to dress-up next week.

The dress-up days are:

Monday, October 3rd = Sports Day/Hat Day (wear sports team jerseys, tshirts, hats, etc.)
Tuesday, October 4th = Pajama Day
Wednesday, October 5th = Plaid/Flannel Day
Thursday, October 6th = Twin Day (dress the same as someone else)
Friday, October, 7th = RAIDER PRIDE Day (Wear your Maroon and Gold)

Sibley Student Council members and Advisors (Becki Haar & Nancy Fox)



Physical Education- Andy Jaynes and Ryan Pietsch

Greetings from the Sibley physical education department! The year is off to a great start! Students have already completed units in basic movement concepts, team relay races, tag games, and soccer. We have been fortunate enough to enjoy a few days of P.E. outside, and hopefully we will have a few more before winter arrives. In the upcoming weeks we will begin units in ball skills (throwing and catching), fitness activities/games, and punt-pass-kick. Please help us by reminding your child that they still need gym shoes even if we go outside for P.E. (no boots, sandals, crocs or flip-flops please!). Remember the Sibley Walk-A-Thon will be taking place Friday, October 7 throughout the day. Hope to see you there! If you ever have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at school using the main school line or our emails found on the school website.

Mr. Jaynes and Mr. Pietsch

Art Room - Erica Ness

Well we are in Full Swing again in the art room and we are excited about getting to create again! As we move throughout the year I want to remind parents that they will be getting updates and notices about new works of art via Artsonia. Students won't be getting their artworks sent home with them as they finish their work, instead it will be put into their portfolios and online portfolio. This way students learn the value of keeping their artwork safe and we have a great selection of art for our many art shows. If you haven't already taken a moment to set up your account, please use the access code sent home with you in your ready set go folders. If you don't have that code anymore please email me at eness@northfieldschools.org and I will send you an invite.

As conferences approach I want to let parents know that the art room will again have coloring pages out for students and parents who want to stop by between 3:30 and 8:00 pm both nights of conferences. I will also be available to help you set up your Artsonia accounts.

Hopefully you can stop by the art room during your conference night!
Erica Ness



DONATION CORNER

- ⇒ EGG CARTONS
- ⇒ SCRAP PAPER
- ⇒ DRIED UP MARKERS
- ⇒ UNWANTED OLD ART SUPPLIES

Ronald McDonald House Pop Tab Collection

Sibley Elementary will continue collecting pop tabs this year!

At the end of the school year the tabs are sold and the money given to the Ronald McDonald House of Rochester. Children and their families can stay at the Ronald McDonald House when the child is experiencing an illness that requires a lengthy visit to the hospital. Save your pop tabs at home and when you have a bunch, send them to school with your child. They will put them in a container in their classroom.

Thank you for helping!



Pull for the
House.

Many Hearts. One Home.

Media Center - Ann Hehr

From the Media Center

The school year is off to a great start!

Please help your child **find a safe place to keep his/her library book(s)** at your home. First through fifth grade students have book checkout with their classroom teacher once a week. Kindergarten students have book checkout during media class once a week. Books need to be returned the **day before** their scheduled book checkout. If you are interested in using our eBooks at home, look at the media center website for directions on how to do so.



The **media center is in need of volunteers** to help shelve books and process new books. Last year 25,570 items were checked out of the media center! If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact Ann Hehr or Karen Jensen.

We hope that you will visit the media center web page and take a look at some of the useful links. BookFlix is one of the numerous sites.

BookFlix has great fiction and nonfiction books!

<http://bkflix.grolier.com> (Or from the media center page click on BookFlix)

Username: **sibleynfld**

Password: **bookflix**

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Ann Hehr, Sibley Media Specialist

ahchr@northfieldschools.org



SIBLEY WALKATHON

Superheroes Unite!



WalkAthon Highlights:

When: Friday, October 7, 2016 from 9:30am – 3:00pm

Location: Sibley Elementary

Mission: To raise \$15,000 for Sibley Elementary with 100% of the funds going to support the students and teachers and build a friendly respectful community at Sibley Elementary School.

WalkAthon: The teachers, staff and students at Sibley will unite their inner superheroes in support of our wonderful school Sibley Elementary. We are asking our friends, family and community to support our efforts! This is Sibley's main fundraising event and is aimed at community fundraising without needing to sell anything. The funds raised help Sibley staff to be superheroes and do all of the amazing things they do. You can be a superhero too and support Sibley!

How do I donate?

All donations will be a fixed sponsorship amount collected in advance of the walkathon. Any dollar amount is appreciated; however, **a pledge sheet total of \$35 per student will help us reach our goal** of \$15,000. Donations can be made by check (made payable to Sibley PTO) or online through RevTrak, see Sibley website for information and to donate with a credit card (Please note RevTrak keeps 4% of your donation for processing fees). All forms and payments should be returned by Friday, October 7th.

How will my gift help? Your gift can make a *mighty* difference to Sibley!

- \$1500 - buys a new SmartBoard
- \$500 - buys 100 new grade level books
- \$100 - buys supplies and equipment for special classes
- \$60 - buys an entire class new individual white boards
- \$50 - buys apps for classroom ipads
- \$35 per student makes our goal of \$15,000



WALKATHON INFORMATION

WalkAthon Kickoff: The WalkAthon week celebration will start Friday, September 30th with an all school assembly to get the students excited about the fundraiser and community builder. Spread the joy of philanthropy to your student(s) through the daily coin drive. Your student(s) can participate in fundraising for Sibley by bringing loose change! Each day we will total the class collections to see which class collected the most. Special prizes awarded to classes daily.

COIN DRIVE

Monday: Pennies

Tuesday: Nickels

Wednesday: Dimes

Thursday: Quarters

Friday: WalkAthon



Grade Level Walking Schedule:

Kindergarten: 9:00-9:25

Grade 1: 9:30-9:55

Grade 4: 11:00-11:25

Grade 5: 11:30-11:55

Grade 3: 12:30-12:55

Grade 2: 1:00-1:25

All School Walk: 2:30-3:00



Sibley PALS - Peg Witt

Hello. It is great to be back at Sibley.

After many years teaching second grade, I have a new role this school year called PALS; an acronym meaning **Positive Attention and Learning Support**.

While communicating closely with classroom teachers and parents, I work with students each day to support them in behavioral challenges at school.

My goal was to call each student by name by the end of September, and I am almost there! As we enter the second month of the school year, our connectedness as a School Community is a priority, leading to strong relationships and healthy, solid choices.

Please contact me with any question or concerns.
Peg Witt pwitt@northfieldschools.org / 649-3597



Social Worker - Noreen Cooney

Welcome back Sibley families!

I wanted to share a resource for families that may be struggling with daycare issues on Wednesday morning late-starts. St. Peter's church is hosting a breakfast and social time for Sibley students.

If you are interested in more information, please contact:

Julie Klock at St. Peter's Lutheran Church at (507) 645-8252.

I hope your student is off to a great start at Sibley. My position has changed a little this year at Sibley and will be focused on providing support to students receiving or eligible for special education services. Please see Peg Witt's note above regarding her new role at Sibley and general support she may be able to offer.



For more information contact:
Julie Klock
Director of Children and Family Faith Formation

julieklock@northfieldstp.org
(507) 645-8252

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
418 Sumner St. East
Northfield, MN 55057



St. Peter's Lutheran/Northfield

Breakfast Club is not sponsored by
Northfield Public Schools.

Check out the Lost and Found during conference time...



If your child is missing any items, make sure to check out the lost and found. It's next to the Music Room in the back of the school. Items are really starting to pile up, so feel free to come by and take a look during fall conferences or next time you are in the building.

Sibley PTO – Amanda Tracy

Hello Sibley Families!

Our **Scholastic Book Fair** is coming up. It will be open **October 12-20**. If you are interested in volunteering with the Book Fair please contact Laura Heiman at laura@loomis-house.com.



Corrie Guggisberg is coordinating **meals** for teachers during **Parent-Teacher Conferences** on **Thursday, October 13** and **Monday, October 17**. She is organizing a sign-up genius. Please be on the lookout for that information in an email coming soon. Please contact Corrie at corrie.guggisberg@gmail.com with any questions.

Our **Walk-A-Thon** kick off is scheduled for Friday, September 30. We will have an all school assembly to jumpstart this fundraiser. Money is being raised for Brain Pop, SmartBoards, classroom sets of individual white boards for all classrooms, and leveled books. The actual **Walk-A-Thon** will take place on **Friday, October 7**. We hope you can join us for part of the day! Be on the look out for more information to come your way over the next week. Please contact any of our Walk-A-Thon Coordinators if you have any questions: Erin Updike - eupdike@carleton.edu, Heidi Brosseau - mayflowerhollow@gmail.com, Lindsey Downs - ldowns@northfieldschools.org and Mairin Born - mborn@northfieldschools.org.



Our next **PTO meeting** is **Tuesday, October 11** at 6:30pm in the Sibley Media Center. We would LOVE to see you there!!!!

Please contact Amanda Tracy at amandatrac1@gmail.com with any questions.

Community Services October 2016 – Sibley Newsletter

Check out some great recreational and enrichment programs for youth this fall with Northfield Public Schools Community Services! For more information or to register visit www.northfieldschools.org (follow the Community Services link), call 507-664-3649, or stop by our office on the first floor of the Northfield Community Resource Center at 1651 Jefferson Parkway, Northfield.

Scholarships are available for all programs.

Northfield Skating School

\$87 - \$144, ages 4 and up (various levels), 11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m. Su, Oct. 2 – Nov. 20, Northfield Ice Arena

American Red Cross Babysitter's Certification Course

\$105, ages 11 – 17, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Sa, Oct. 8, Northfield Community Resources Center – Youth Wing 108

Basic First Aid for Young Children

\$34, grades k - 2, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m., Sa, Oct. 15, Northfield Community Resources Center – Youth Wing 108

Home Alone Safety Workshop For Kids

\$34, grades 3 - 7, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., Sa, Oct. 15, Northfield Community Resources Center – Youth Wing 108

Grandmasters of Chess: Fall Season

\$94, grades K – 5, 3:25 - 4:25 p.m. M, Oct. 24 - Dec. 19 (skip Nov. 7) Sibley Art Room

Hello Cupcake! Autumn Edition

\$29, grades 1 - 5, 3:30 – 5 p.m. Th, Oct. 27, Sibley Art Room 133

Prairie Fire Children's Theater – Alice in Wonderland

\$75, grades 2 - 8, 4 – 8:15 p.m. M - Sa, Nov. 14 - 19, Middle School Auditorium



October Library Events and News

Mark your calendars!

Gather a team of 4 people for the Friends of the Library

TRIVIA BEE!

Thursday, October 27th
at The Grand.

NEW! Library iPad Club

For kids in grades 3, 4 & 5. Three sessions exploring fun apps. SPACE LIMITED to 8 students. Sign up required at the children's desk by Thursday, Oct. 20.

Club meets Oct. 25, Nov. 1 & 8.

MEA BREAK –NO SCHOOL!

We will have our

LEGOS & DUPLOS

out to create great projects Thursday and Friday Oct. 20&21 from 10 am to 2 pm Come and be creative!

Learn about Italy with Carleton Prof Bill North.

Thursday, Oct. 6th at 7 pm

DANCE the night away

with Jivin' Ivan

Friday, Oct. 21 from 7 to 9

Northfield
Public Library
210 Washington St.
507-645-6606
www.northfieldmn.info

HOURS
Monday—Thursday
9 am to 8 pm
Friday 9 am - 6 pm
Saturday 9 am - 5 pm

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2	3	4 10 am Infant Lapsit	5 10 am Toddler Rhyme Time	6 10 am Pre-school Storytime 7 pm A talk on ITALY! With Bill North!	7	8
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