



Tiger News- November 2009



November Dates

- 11/2 - First day of 2nd Nine Weeks
- 11/3 - Election Day (No School)
- 11/4 - PTO Fundraiser Winners BMX Bike Show
- 11/5 - *Early Dismissal
* Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:00-7:00
- 11/6 - PTO Movie Night (Doors open @ 6:00)
- 11/9 - School Board Meeting
- 11/10 - Reports Cards Go Home
- 11/12 - Fall Picture Retakes/Make-ups
- 11/16 - Awards Assembly for 4th Grade @ 9:15
- 11/17 - "Coffeehouse" with speakers on Internet Safety @ 3:15 in Gym
- 11/18 - Awards Assembly for 2nd Gr. @ 11:00
Awards Assembly for 1st Gr. @ 1:00
- 11/19 - *Ident-A-Kids (Identification Cards made with picture and fingerprint);
*Preschool Thanksgiving Feast for Mrs. Pargeon's class @ 11:00
*Kindergarten Thanksgiving Feast @ 9:30
*Chik-Fil-A Spirit Night 5:00-8:00
- 11/20 - *Preschool Thanksgiving Feast for Miss Willis' class @ 11:00 in West Lobby
*Awards Assembly for 3rd Gr. @ 8:30
*Awards Assembly for 5th Gr. @ 10:00
*Awards Assembly for Kin. @ 1:45
- 11/23-27 - No School (Thanksgiving Break)



Winter Is Coming

Cold weather is approaching. Please be sure to put your child's name inside their coat so it can be returned to them. Every year we end up with lots of coats in the lost and found but they are never found. (We already have over 30 jackets and sweat shirts and even a pair of gloves in our lost and found.) You may also want to consider labeling the lunch boxes, book bags and any other personal items. Check the Lost and Found often for lost items wanting to be found!

Pearl Sample/Culpeper County Website

To keep up with what's going on at Pearl Sample, you can go to the Culpeper County Schools website and see the calendar of upcoming events or check out our Pearl Sample Website. You can attain these sites by going to www.culpeperschools.org. Click on calendars, then click on Pearl Sample and it will take you to our monthly event calendar. It is updated often, so check back periodically to stay in touch with the happenings at our school.

You may also reach Pearl Sample's website through this address. Click on schools and then click on Pearl Sample to reach our school site.



Volunteers Wanted

We are currently **recruiting** volunteers to help us with several projects:

- Breakfast/Lunch Buddies.** We are looking for volunteers who would be interested in joining a student for lunch or breakfast a few times a month and letting them read to you.
- Volunteering in the "Sick Room"** with the School Nurse
- Volunteers to come in **on the day of the H1N1 vaccine** to help the Students and Staff

If you would like more information on any of these volunteer activities or one of our many other opportunities please contact Jane Thomson or Carlene Tilson.



Would you like to help a child?

Stop by our Angel Tree located in the Front Lobby and sign out a tag for a gift to give to a child this holiday season. Pick a tag from the tree and fill in the information on the sign out sheets located beside the tree. All gifts need to be returned by December 8th. Please place the gift in a gift bag if possible and return it to the office. Thanks for your support.



November 18 @ 8:30 a.m.

Pre-School Story Time

Children ages 2-4 who are not in school yet are invited to join us for a story time. We will have a wonderful, fun guest reader who will be joining us.



Inclement Weather Policy

As we approach the winter season, a reminder that you may obtain information on cancellations and delays from the following sources:
Radio, television, telephone (call 825-3677, press 9) or internet (www.cancellations.com - type 22701 for zip code), school messenger (each students home will receive a personal call from Culpeper County Public Schools announcing any closings or delays. Please make sure we have the most updated phone information.



Help your child persevere by setting goals

Facing life's challenges-from learning to ride a bike to finishing a big project-requires perseverance, and kids need plenty of help developing this trait.

To boost your child's persistence:

- **Build on the past.** Remind your child of times she's succeeded through hard work. Discuss how great she felt and how she can do it again.
- **Set a small goal.** Choose something your child can accomplish and enjoy, such as walking a mile with you. This builds confidence.
- **Ask for input.** What else would your child like to achieve? Wanting to reach the goal will give her motivation.
- **Be honest.** Make sure your child picks a realistic goal, but explain that reaching it won't be easy. Good planning will help a lot.
- **Make a plan.** Write down specific steps and deadlines. Help your child divide her goal into small, manageable parts.
- **Be a cheerleader.** Compliment progress, both along the way and at the finish line. Do not use prizes or punishments.
- **Learn from the experience.** Even if your child doesn't meet her objective, stay positive! Take pride in her hard work. Talk about what she might do differently next time, and envision success.



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