January 13, 2019

Good afternoon Sterchi families!  This is Lynn White.  I hope that each of you has had a nice weekend and that you had a great holiday break.  Happy New Year 2019!

Report cards for the 2nd 9 weeks came home on Friday.  Please take a few moments to look over these with your child.  If you have any questions, please be sure to reach out to your child’s teacher.

We will have our awards programs for the 2nd 9 weeks on Tuesday, January 15, at 8:00 for K-2nd and at 8:45 for 3rd-5th.

The Wonderism for January is “Sometimes it’s good to start over. ***This is a new year; time to reset and learn something new.”***

We want to welcome several new-not-new staff members to Sterchi!  Ms. Stacey Shafer is our new bookkeeper, and was previously our PAC assistant.  Ms. Emily Donels has returned as our speech-language therapist.  Many of you might remember her from her time at Sterchi from a few years ago.  Mrs. Cara Drumheller is our new PAC assistant.  She was previously one of our teaching assistants.

Congratulations to Ms. Gretchen Edwards, one of our fabulous 1st grade teachers, for being selected as Sterchi’s Teacher of the Year.

Monday, January 21, will be a holiday for our staff and students.  It is a holiday in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.’s birthday.

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend our annual Winter Wonderland Dance on Friday, January 25, from 6 to 8pm.  This is always a fun time for our students and their families.

Our clinic always has a need for items for our students:  underwear (new) in all sizes, socks (new), and clothes (gently worn).

Attendance at school each day is important.  It is also important to be on time to school and ready to start the day.  Students should be in their classrooms and ready for learning by 7:45am each morning.  For the week of January 8-11, congratulations to our 1st graders for having the highest attendance at 97.5%

            Kindergarten          95.7%

            1st grade                   97.5%

            2nd grade                 96%

            3rd grade                  94%

            4th grade                  92%

            5th grade                  95.9%

Please help us provide the best learning experience for our students by helping your child arrive at school on time.  When students are tardy, they miss important beginning-of-the-day routines and instructions, and this sets the tone for their entire day.  This also keeps the entire class from getting the day off to a great start, as students are straggling in.  Students should be in the school building and in their classrooms before 7:45am each morning.  Breakfast is served from 7:10-7:35am.

Remember, “in a world where you can be anything, BE KIND.”

Have a great week!

~Lynn White

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***Mark your calendar:***

January 8                           Welcome back students!

January 15                          2nd 9 weeks awards programs

                                                            8:00  K-2nd

                                                            8:45   3rd-5th

January 21                          No School – Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday

January 25                         Winter Wonderland Dance, 6-8pm

January 28- February 1   Kindness Week

February 4                          PTA meeting

February 7                          Sterchi Night at Skatetown, 6-8pm

February 18                        In-service day – No school for students

March 18-22                      Spring Break