November 11, 2018

Good afternoon Sterchi families!  I hope that you have had a nice weekend.  Today is Veterans Day and we take the opportunity to honor the men and women who have served in the armed forces and recognize their sacrifices for our country.

THANK YOU to the veterans who attended the program on Friday in their honor.  Our students, led by Mr. Burgess, did a fantastic job and were so excited to be a part of this celebration.  THANK YOU to our staff and PTA volunteers for providing the decorations and refreshments for our guests.

THANK YOU to the parents that were able to attend the 5th grade focus meeting on Thursday.  We hope that this is helpful in helping you support your 5th grader.

Our Sterchi students and families continue to give back to our community, and we are hosting a food drive in November to benefit others. We will continue the food drive through this Thursday.

The Wonderism for November is, “**No person is an island of himself*.  Participate, listen to others, and take turns.”***

There is a meeting on Monday at 6:00pm for the parents of our Safety Patrollers for more information about the annual trip to Washington, DC.

Our annual Thanksgiving lunch will be this Thursday, November 15.  Guests should plan to join students at their regular lunch times.

The Sterchi Holiday Bazaar is this Saturday, November 17.  It will be at school from 9am to 2pm.  There will be something for everyone – vendors, crafts, a kids’ corner, food trucks, and a silent auction.  Santa will be there for pictures from 11:30 to 2:00.  We hope that everyone will make time to stop by.

Be sure to make plans to attend the Fantasy of Trees event this year.  It is being held November 21-25, at the Knoxville Convention Center.  Look for our Sterchi Elementary tree and see the beautiful decorations that were made by our students.  THANK YOU to our teachers for working with our students to help them contribute to this annual community event!

Attendance matters, and we encourage our students to be present each day and on time.  Our school-wide attendance for this past week was 94.8%, with Kindergarten leading the way with 95.9% attendance.

Attendance for November 5-9:

            Sterchi                     94.8%

 Kindergarten          95.9%

 1st grade                   95.5%

            5th grade                  95.3%

            2nd grade                 94.8%

            4th grade                  94.4%

            3rd grade                  92.8%

As we look ahead to the Thanksgiving holiday next week, I encourage everyone to take time to stop and count their blessings.  Take the time to tell the people in your life how thankful you are for them and how much you appreciate all that they bring to your life.

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

Have a great week!

~Lynn White

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***Mark your calendar:***

November 12                    Safety Patrol meeting @ 6:00pm for info

  about the Washington, DC, trip

November 13                    Holiday pictures (& money due)

November 15                     Thanksgiving lunch

November 17                     Sterchi Holiday Bazaar, 9am-2pm

November 21-23               Thanksgiving holidays

November 21-25               Fantasy of Trees at the Knoxville Convention Center

November 27                     Midterm progress reports go home

December 13                      Fine Arts Night

December 21                      End of 2nd 9 weeks grading period

December 22-January 7  Winter holidays