February 3, 2019

Good afternoon Sterchi families!  I hope that you have had a great weekend and have enjoyed the beautiful SUNSHINE!

Tomorrow - Monday, February 4, is the next PTA meeting and chili cook-off.  It will be at 6:00pm in the cafeteria and everyone is invited.

Our next Sterchi Night at Skatetown is this Thursday, February 7, from 6-8pm.

The Wonderism for February is “Do all the good you can, in all the ways you can, as long as ever you can. **Be the best you.”**

Don’t forget to complete our family involvement survey.  A paper copy was sent home with students and an online link is provided below.

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Parents only need to complete one survey per family - either the paper or online survey – not both.  THANK YOU for providing your feedback on how we can encourage and support family involvement at Sterchi!  Please complete or return the survey by this Friday, February 8.

Last week’s snow day interrupted our week of celebrating the Great Kindness Challenge so we are going to make up our missed day on Monday – “Nothing Beats Kindness.”  Everyone can wear their favorite sports team shirt.  We will also extend our collection of donations for Children’s Hospital through this week until next Friday.

Our Student Advisory Council met this week to make plans for some future activities.  They also made posters for the cafeteria to support the Great Kindness Challenge.

Mark your calendars for “Jump for Sterchi” on February 15.  This is our annual fundraiser for additions and improvements to our playgrounds.

If you use our Cedar Heights entrance regularly, you have noticed progress on the portable classroom.  We hope that it will be finished very soon!  On the Oaklett side, you may have noticed that the covering over the walkway was leaning a bit.  The KCS maintenance department has provided additional supports for the safety of students, staff, and visitors while they make decisions about how best to repair or replace the structure.

Don’t forget our clinic needs, lost & found items, and to save those Boxtops!

Please make sure that your child is dressed for that day’s predicted weather when you send him/her to school each day – coat, gloves, hat, etc.

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 28-February 1, congratulations again to our 5th graders for having the highest attendance at 94.2%.

            Kindergarten          91.5%

            1st grade                   92.6%

            2nd grade                 91.2%

            3rd grade                  90.2%

            4th grade                  90.8%

            5th grade                  94.2%

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

Have a great week!

~Lynn White

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Remind 101           text @sterchifam to 81010

**Mark your calendar:**

February 4-8                     The Great Kindness Challenge collection for

Children’s Hospital

February 4                         Great Kindness Challenge – jersey/team shirt day

   PTA meeting & chili cook-off @ 6:00pm

February 7                          Sterchi Night at Skatetown, 6-8pm

February 7-8                     BMI, hearing & vision screenings for K, 2nd, & 4th

February 14                       Happy Valentines Day!

                                             Mid-term progress reports come home

February 15                        Jump for Sterchi

February 18                       In-service day – No school for students

February 19-22                Peanut butter drive to benefit Second Harvest

March 18-22                      Spring Break