January 27, 2019

Good afternoon Sterchi families!  I hope that you have enjoyed your weekend and that you are ready to start the week.

THANK YOU to everyone who came out on Friday evening for our Winter Wonderland Dance!  THANK YOU to our PTA for planning and organizing this fun event!  THANK YOU to everyone who donated cookies and drinks!  THANK YOU to the members of Central High School’s honor society for volunteering to serve cookies and drinks!

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.  We need LOTS of volunteers to make chili!  Please see the blue flyer that came home with your child this week.

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

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

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

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Parents only need to complete one survey per family and 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 February 8.

This week we will be celebrating the Great Kindness Challenge! Your children brought home information about the plans for each day, as well as a challenge sheet for the many ways that they can show kindness to others.

            Monday –  Round-Up the Kindess (western attire)

            Tuesday –  Nothing Beats Kindness (favorite sports team shirt)

            Wednesday –  Hats Off to Kindness  (favorite hat)

            Thursday –  Ride the Kindness Wave (beach/surf attire)

            Friday -  Dream of Kindness  (pajama day)

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!

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

It is winter and the temperature can fluctuate and be unpredictable.  If it is not raining, the wind is not too fierce, and it is not too terribly cold, the teachers are going to take the children outside for recess.  This is an important time of the day to get some exercise and run off some energy.  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.

It has been mentioned in the news that there is the threat of inclement weather this week.  As always, please stay tuned to the news – TV, internet, radio, etc. for the latest news and updates.

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 21-25, congratulations to our 5th graders for having the highest attendance at 95.6%

            Kindergarten        95.1%

            1st grade                   92.4%

            2nd grade                 93.2%

            3rd grade                  92.8%

            4th grade                  92.5%

            5th grade                  95.6%

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:**

January 28- February 1 The Great Kindness Challenge

February 4                         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 15                        Jump for Sterchi

February 18                       In-service day – No school for students

March 18-22                      Spring Break