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Be a Folsom Hero!

From the Principal's Desk

With Labor Day weekend behind us, and already two weeks into the new school year, routines at school are humming along throughout the building. Despite the rainy weather, the inside climate is warm and wonderful!

Our annual September Open House is scheduled for this coming Wednesday, the 13th from 6-7 p.m. Classrooms will be open for visiting and teachers will be available to say hello. Please keep in mind that this is not the time for a conference about your child's needs, but more of an informal visit to see the classroom and see some of the work your child is engaged in to start off the school year. (Parent conferences will be held on November 3rd.) At 6:45, in the gym, we will share information regarding our new PBIS initiative for the year, focusing on the theme of "Take care of yourself, Take care of others, Take care of your Community." We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evening!

Both our girls' and boys' soccer teams played their opening games this past Tuesday and both ended in a tie! Despite rain, thunder, and first-game-of-the-season jitters, the students showed great team spirit and tenacity in both games! Congratulations to both teams and good luck in the upcoming season!

Just a reminder that student drop-off and pick up must be in the designated area of the parking lot. Only buses are permitted to use the front driveway from 7:30-8 and 2:30-3. This is to ensure the safety of children! Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend enjoying the sunshine!

Susan McKelvie, Principal

Upcoming Events

September

- 11 PTO meeting 6pm
- 11-12 Camping Trip Grades 5-8
- 13 Folsom Open House
- 26 Picture Day

October

- 9 NO SCHOOL Indigenous Peoples Day
- 19 NO SCHOOL In-service

November

- 3 NO SCHOOL/Parent Teacher Conferences
- 20-24 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving recess

Notes from the Office

We have had a number of items already turned in to “Lost and Found”. Please be sure all sweatshirts, jackets, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc. are labeled with your child’s name and check out the lost and found next time you’re in the building! Also, we are still missing registration paperwork from a few students. Please get your paperwork in to the office as soon as possible! Thank you!

Fingerprinting

Unfortunately, fingerprinting will NOT be offered at Open House as previously announced. Anyone wishing to volunteer in the classroom or chaperone field trips should contact Ellen Norris at the GISU Office at 372-6921 ext. 102 to schedule an appointment.

Picture Day

Picture day is scheduled for **September 26**. Envelopes will be sent home prior to that date!

Congratulations, Ms. Racioppi!

Congratulations to our 4th grade teacher, Dani Racioppi, who is getting married this Sunday, the 12th! We wish the new Mrs. Holm the happiest of weddings and a beautiful future ahead!

Welcome Back to RiseVT and Moretti

The RiseVT Wellness Specialist, Moretti, is returning to us once again through a partnership with Northwestern Medical Center. The embedded position will bring Moretti into the classrooms as well as partnering with the school and community to inspire conversations and activities that focus on wellness and health. RiseVT's focus is to make the healthy choice the easy choice, and the easy choice the healthy choice. Moretti will engage in activities and games that help present information and options, without shame or judgment, so that students can define their own personal vision of wellness and 'healthy'. Moretti will join us at Open House to meet you and share plans for the year.

A Message from the Health Office

Believe it or not, we already have several cases of strep throat and some stomach bugs in the building. The best way to prevent an epidemic of any illness in the building is to practice lots of hand washing and to keep kids home when they are sick. Children should not be sent to school if they have a fever of 100F or above (even if they have been medicated), if they have been vomiting in the past 24 hours, or they are miserable with coughing, earache, sore throat, or any other symptoms. Sick kids aren’t able to focus on learning, and they share their germs with their classmates! Thank you for helping us to keep Folsom healthy!

Grades 5-8 Camping Trip Reminder

Final reminder to families that students in grades 5-8 will be participating in a camping trip this coming Monday and Tuesday, September 11 and 12. Students will be camping overnight and participating in group community service activities on Tuesday. If parents have any questions, please let the 5-8 teaching team know!