

11-16-18

Dear Dolsen Families:

We held our Veteran's Day Assembly on Monday and had a wonderful turnout! Students made thank you notes and were able to give them directly to a veteran of their choice. 5th Graders decorated stars that our guests wore proudly. We send a HUGE thank you to Joe Salvia and Brandon Saleh for hosting this annual event. We also held parent teacher conferences this week and want to send another HUGE thank you to our PTO members and all the parents that donated lunch and snacks for the teachers to enjoy during the two long days of conferencing. Another special thank you to the McPherson family, owners of Good Day Café out of South Lyon for donating the wonderful sandwiches we enjoyed on Thursday.

ALICE Practice

The district staff has been trained in ALICE (Alert/Lockdown/Inform/Counter/Evacuate) procedures in cases of intruders in our school buildings. The knowledge gained from our training will be shared with all students during our state-mandated drill on November 19, 2018. In general, staff will share the following information with students: The staff and students will be notified that an "ALICE" drill will begin by an announcement from the principal. Students will practice the classroom lockdown procedures after being instructed by their teachers. The students will be instructed to be quiet and listen to the adult(s) in the classroom and/or the announcements. They will be told that the instructions will vary depending on the situation so that it is important to listen carefully. They will be told that there will be options depending on the situation and that they may find a safe hiding spot in the classroom or may be directed to evacuate the building to an area specified by the adult(s). The first drill will include hiding away from clear sight lines of windows and doors and finding a safe place in the classroom. The principal will conclude the drill with an all-school announcement. Teachers will debrief with their students to conclude the first drill. In a future drill, students will practice evacuating to a safe spot that will be specified by the adult(s). The third and final drill will allow the students and adult to react to the alert that is given by the use of the emergency notification system that we have in the schools. Each drill will conclude by the adult(s) and the students debriefing. There will be an emphasis on listening to the adult(s) in the area so that students can react appropriately.

Dolsen SIP Minutes

Our SIP committee met last week and the minutes to that meeting are attached. If you have any questions feel free to contact one of the members listed.

Giving Tree

Watch for our giving tree to be up and decorated in the near future. We will have ornaments on the tree listing a gift that can be purchased for one of our Dolsen family members. More information will be coming in the next Dolsen Discovery.

Adopting Dolsen Families

We are looking for Dolsen families that might need a little help during the Christmas season. If any of our families are looking for help, please contact Mrs. Steward in the office. stewardl@slcs.us or 248-573-8400.

Square One Art

Parents may continue to **ORDER ONLINE AND BY PHONE** through midnight (EST) of **11/20/2018** <https://www.square1art.com/> 888-332-3294 Your Square One Art orders help us buy some of the things we need for our Dolsen Art Program. Your order will ensure we can buy clay, paper, glue, and paint. If you need your child's access code, email Mrs. Leiberman leibermanb@slcs.us

Taking Care Book Donations in Memory of Mrs. Jordan

Thank you to the following students and families who have donated books in memory of Mrs. Jordan.

David and Sammi Reise - *What If*

Brooklyn Brown - *Up a Creek*

Leland Brown - *Don't Worry Bear*

Upcoming Events

11-21-18 – Thanksgiving Recess

11-26-18 – School resumes

11-28-18 – PTO Meeting 4:15 pm – Media Center

12-3-18 – Hungry Howies Pizza Night (a percentage of proceeds comes back to PTO)

12-6-18 – Dolsen Taking Care Thurs – wear red

12-6-18 – Popcorn Day

12-13-18 – SIP Meeting 8:00 am – Conference Room

12-19-18 – Dolsen Pod Meeting 2:45 pm

12-19-18 – PTO Meeting 4:15 pm – Media Center

12-22-18 through 1-6-19 – Winter Break

12-7-18 – School Resumes

Attachments

SIP Minutes

Please see the district web site for District approved flyers -

http://www.slcs.us/enrolling/district_approved_flyers/index.php

School Website:

http://www.slcs.us/dolsen_elementary/index.php

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