



# Santee Community School

## Newsletter

October 2017

### OCTOBER DATES TO REMEMBER

3rd- World of Reptiles Assembly 8:45 am PreK-6th 9:45 am 7th-12th

VB vs Bloomfield/Boyd County in Bloomfield 6 pm

5th- Parent Teacher Conferences 4pm—6 pm

6th- FB vs Spalding Academy in Spalding 2 pm

9th- NO SCHOOL Native American Day

10th- VB vs Ewing/Elkhorn Valley in Tilden 5 pm

11th- Lifetouch Pictures

12th - Preschool & Kindergarten field trip

13th- Parent's Night for football

NO PRESCHOOL

FB vs Hampton (home game) 6 pm

16th - VB Knox County Tournament TBA

17th - Board Meeting 5 pm

18th- End of 1st quarter

23rd - VB NVC Tournament TBA

TEACHER PLC Day- Bus & Breakfast will run at regular time. Academic classes will start at 10 am. 8am-10am individual academic support with cultural activities for PreK-12th grade. Attendance is expected for all students

26th - Halloween Open House - Multipurpose Room

30th - VB Sub-Districts TBA



# Preschool News

## Dates to remember

- Oct. 5th PT conferences
- Oct. 9th NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 11th Health Screenings
- Oct. 12th Field trip to Norfolk
- Oct. 13th NO Preschool—Staff training

## 3 year old Class

Hard to believe we have been in school for a month already! We are working hard to learn the names of all the people that work in the school and how to behave in all the different places of the school we go to. Our favorite place so far is the playground where we like to look for all sorts of bugs! We also love it when we get treats. Here we are eating homemade gummy bears thanks to Mrs. Flyinghawk's Class.



We have some activities coming up that we are really excited about! On October 3<sup>rd</sup> World of Reptiles will be here at 8:45 to let us see all the different types of reptiles they have. On October 5<sup>th</sup> we have Parent Teacher conferences from 4-6. We are excited the most about our field trip to Poppy's Pumpkin Patch on October 12<sup>th</sup>. More information will be sent out later so watch for it in the backpacks.

Thanks for a great start to the school year! Let's keep it going all year long!!

-Mrs.Kemp

## 4 year old Class

The four year olds enjoyed playing with code-a-pillars. We had to figure out how to make the caterpillar go straight, turn left, and turn right. It's was fun. Thank you Ruth V. from the extension office in Center, Ne.

-Ms.Stuart





The kindergarten class has been very busy this month. We have reviewed the letters P, M, S, and T so far this year. We are learning a lot about numbers and how to write out numbers. Please continue to work with your student on writing their names. -Ms.Heyden

Dates to be aware of for October.

3rd—World of Reptiles Assembly                      5th—PT Conferences 4pm—6pm

9th—NO SCHOOL Native American day      11th—Picture Day      12th—Norfolk Field Trip



The first graders at Santee School have been keeping busy! We have been busy adding and subtracting numbers to 10, mastering our vowel sounds, and conducting science experiments! We always have fun while learning but we did have a BLAST celebrating homecoming earlier this month! We enjoyed dressing up as different Disney character and walking in the parade.

As we enter the month of October we will begin reading longer words that sometimes require practice outside of the classroom. Every week I send home 3-4 books that your student is able to read on their own. Feel free to have them read to you during the evening. It's amazing to see how much your child is learning.

Mrs.Crossman



Our Third Grade Class is off to a fantastic start! There are 14 eager to learn students who are putting forth their best effort!

They are learning to make choices and become more independent students everyday! We are finding sometimes our choices weren't the best, but we learn from them and go on. It is all part of life.

Some of the fun things we have encountered are: time on the analog and digital clock, writing in complete sentences that have 5-7 words per sentence, addition to the thousands, nouns, action verbs, helping verbs, CNN student news, and our new seats! Mrs. Hrbek is trying flexible seating this year. Each student has had the opportunity to try a variety of seating options: exercise balls, accordion seats, core stools, foot fidgets, standing desk, and pillows at a table to kneel or sit. The students they chose which seat was their first, second and third choice. It is amazing to see the differences in attention, focus, and ability to work in each student. Mrs. Hrbek had a little problem at first with motion sickness looking at the students and their different ways of sitting, but she is now use to it. The kids are doing great!

Third graders are practicing their speaking and listening skills also. They had to work together as a group and prepare a presentation on "Symbols of the United States." They had good eye contact, visual posters, and spoke clearly. We have great future leaders of Santee!

Please feel free to come visit us anytime!

I would like to send a BIG shout out to all the parents and caregivers of the third graders! You have been fabulous and are a vital part of your child's education. Thank you SO MUCH for signing those planners every night and supporting your student getting their homework done! I also appreciate the support when sometimes the student forgets to do the homework and they have to stay after school until it is done- sometimes as late at 6:00 on a Friday night. Teaching responsibility is a main goal we have in third grade and the students are doing their best. I am very proud of them. Third graders are awesome and we hope to see you soon!

-Mrs.Hrbek



## Growing Together Infant/Toddler Classroom

We have two new paras, Stephanie McClellan and Shandara Lee.

We have been busy reading books, singing songs, and playing with friends. We would like our families to please bring us some family pictures to have around the room. The kids love to see pictures of

familiar faces! They love looking at photo albums that are in the classroom that are full of pictures of the class.

We are looking forward to a year full of new adventures!

-Lisa Kuipers



## Special Education

*Learning knows no bounds*

I would like to introduce the special education department for the 2017/18 school year. We have two new teachers this year, both are working with our elementary students.

Stacy Pedersen actually started working in the Santee School this summer. She worked with the first and second grade students during summer school. Now, she is involved with second through sixth grade students. Stacy lives with her family near Bloomfield.

Heather Lancaster is new this year, she actually started a couple weeks after school began. Heather is a Crofton resident and has just graduated from UNL. Heather is working with kindergarten and first grade students.

Julene Kay has transitioned from the elementary side of the school back to the high school side, grades 7-12. She lives across the street from school.

The three of us would like families to feel free to call or visit the school whenever there is a question concerning your child.

The easiest way to find success for our children is communication.



# *Greeting and Salutations from English Language Arts!*

*For grades 4-6*

Welcome to English Language Arts (ELA)! We have much to learn and build upon this year.

Each child is responsible to read AR books. Students will need to earn 20 points per quarter. Please have your student read for 30 minutes at home each day.

I print out student's grades and give them to your child bi-weekly, they will be bringing their grades home for you to sign. You will know what your child's grades are at least four times before report card time arrives.

As always my door is open if you would like to speak with me about how your child is performing in school.

*-Mrs. Crosley*



Your child has the opportunity to participate in Santee Community School's 21st Century Community Learning After—School Program. Students in kindergarten through sixth grades are welcome to participate in the program. The after-school program will be held Monday - Thursday 3:45 - 5:00 and on Fridays 3:45 - 4:30. If your child hasn't attended yet and would like to participate, please call or stop by the school so a permission form can be signed.

Activities during the week include:

Monday - Upper block (3rd– 6th grade) Cultural Activities

Lower block (K-2nd grade) Activities

Tuesday— Upper block—Music

Lower block—cooking/gardening

Wednesday - Upper block - SPARK

Lower Block - Drum Fit



## **After School Program**

Thursday - Upper block - Cooking/Gardening

Lower block - Music

Friday - Upper & Lower block combined - Activities



# BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

**4th - Wendy Archambeau**

**5th—Urijah Starlin**

**7th - Angelina Denney**

**Winona Wabasha**

**Annaliese Peters**

**9th - TaSunka Starlin  
Roberto Hoffman**

**10th - Dimitryus Wabasha**

**11th— Carlos Mejia-Hallum**

**13th - Skylar Kitto**

**14th - Brandon Coffman**

**15th - Benito Bickerstaff**

**16th - Lluvia Uribe-Kitto**

**18th - Dowan Thomas**

**20th - Payton Ferguson**

**21st - Lexi Saul**

**25th - Akeam Denney**

**29th - Elliott Sheridan**

**Aja Sheridan**

**Jacey Denney**

**30th - Kellen Medina**

*Happy Birthday To You From Santee Community School*

