# Salish Ponds Elementary

NOVEMBER. 2022



### CONFERENCES

Conferences are this month. Families can sign up for in person or virtually. You should've received the initial conference information request information and sign-up letter from your teacher already. The teachers are hard at work getting all the conferences scheduled and we look forward to seeing you sometime between the 21st and 23rd. If you have any questions or have not received any conference information, please reach out to you student's teacher.

During conferences, please make sure to come by the lost and found, near the office. We want to make sure scholars have their coats!

# **COUNSELORS CORNER!**

Our theme this month focuses on inclusion and celebrating the diversity of our Salish Ponds community. As we build on our understanding of kindness and empathy, we will be visiting classrooms to begin the conversation of what it means to be inclusive and the importance of embracing our difference and strengths. It is our intent that by teaching inclusion and diversity, we foster a safe and welcoming environment for our students to be successful. Here are some resources to continue the conversation at home! Books

 $\cdot$  Grades K-2

- o All Are Welcome by Alexandra Penfold and Suzanne Kaufman
- o The Judgmental Flower by Julia Cook
- o Why I Laugh: A Book About Autism by Dawn M Kohler
- o Along Came A Different by Tom McLaughlin

#### · Grades 3-5

o A Kids Book About Being Inclusive by Ashton Mota, Rebekah Bruesehoff Online resources

- <u>https://www.glsen.org/resources/student-and-gsa-resources</u>
- <u>https://www.theconsciouskid.org/</u>

Please reach out if you have any questions! Arianne Delos Reyes, K-2 school counselor, <u>adelosreyes@rsd7.net</u> Virginia Rose, 3-5 school counselor, <u>vrose@rsd7.net</u>

# CULTURAL AWARENESS: NATIVE AMERICAN/AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE

In the month of November, we will be learning about Native American/American Indian Heritage. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Salish's history, tribes, awareness of the challenges that Native people have historically overcome, and ways tribes have conquered their challenges. We are excited to share information with our scholars and to learn more about the lands we live on.



HARVEST TIME



FALL DAYS AND FUN LEAVES



NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE

#### **BEING AT SCHOOL MATTERS!**

Did you know students who attend school regularly are more successful academically and have a better chance of graduating high school? When students are out, they miss the consistency and connection of their friends and class, too. Being a regular attender means missing no more than two days each month!

But what should you do if your student is sick? Students can go to school if:

- They have a runny nose or little cough, but no other symptoms.
- They haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours and have been fever-free during that time.

• They haven't thrown up or had diarrhea for 24 hours.

If the above isn't true, keep students at home and call the office or send a Parent Square message so we know why your student is missing school.

Check out the Everyday Matters toolkits for families for support.

# **OUSTIDE RECESS**

We will continue to try and take our classes outside as much as possible for recesses. Please remember to send your student to school with clothes to be outside.

# THANKSGIVING BREAK

There is no school the week of November 24th. That week is dedicated to parent teacher conferences and to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The office will still be open on the 24th and the 25th from 8:00AM - 8:00PM to answer questions and assist with conferences. Have a great holiday and mini break!

# **UPCOMING EVENTS IN NOVEMBER!**

- Late start days: 7th, 14th, & 28th
- 3rd= Assembly K-2 at 12:30-1:05 PM, 3rd-5th at 1:20-1:50 PM
- 3rd= Potluck in the Cafe at 5:30-7 PM
- 10th= Grading Day, no students
- 11th= Holiday- veterans day, no students
- 21st Teacher workday and conferences in the evening
- 22nd- 23rd Conferences
- November 24-25, No school Thanksgiving Break



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