

WORDEN ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 2020

From the Principal

I hope the holiday break was enjoyable and relaxing for all of you! We are ready to begin the second semester. Teachers and staff have been busy preparing for lots of fun and educational activities.

I also want to take a moment to thank you for your overwhelming response to our request for assistance for families less fortunate. It was incredible and truly humbling to see the number of wonderful gifts that came in for our families. Worden is truly a wonderful and giving community!

At this time of the year, I like to share a poem that reminds me how very special children are and the importance adults, all adults, play in their lives.

Best of luck and health during the New Year!

Help Me Grow

Please...

Be consistent with me, then I can trust your words and actions.

Comfort me when I'm scared, hurt or sad, then I'll know I'm okay even when I'm not feeling strong or happy.

Take responsibility for all your feelings and actions, then I also won't blame others, and I'll take responsibility for my life.

Communicate when you feel hurt or frightened about when you're angry at me, then I'll feel I'm a good person, and I'll learn how to constructively deal with my feelings.

Tell me clearly and specifically what you want, then I can hear you and I'll also know how to communicate my needs in a positive way.

Express to me that I'm okay even when my words or behavior may not be, then I can learn from my mistakes and have high self-esteem.

Balance your life between work and play, then I can believe that I can grow up, be responsible and still have fun.

Understand and accept me. I may be different from you and I'm okay.

Treat me as an individual, then I'll know that I can be my unique self.

Hug me and tell me that you care about me, then I'll feel lovable and I'll express caring for others.

Thank you for hearing me, I LOVE YOU!

Anonymous

Calendar of Events

January

6th – School Resumes

7th – 9:20 am Geo Bee (Students only)

3:30pm - PTO meeting

9th – 8:45am CSC meeting Room 131

10th - Report card available on Tigerview

13th -Young Authors Books & Shirt order are due.

15th – 3:30-4:30pm Math Club

17th – Yearbook orders are due

20th – No School – Martin Luther King Day

22nd – 4th grade Illinois Agriculture

7th –School Mall Kick Off

18th – Yearbook order forms due

21st – Spelling Bee (Students only)

22nd – 4th Grade Land of Illinois

Word of the Month: Respect – treat others the way you want to be treated.

Science Fair Projects are Due February 4th

Parents can bring projects to school beginning at 8:00 a.m. **Projects must be set-up for judging by 9:15 a.m.** The projects will be judged that morning, students will view the projects that afternoon, and the projects will be on display for the PTO meeting that evening. Students who are interested will be bringing home more information concerning the science fair. All students will receive recognition for their projects.

Young Author Books & Shirt orders due January 13th

Student books & shirt orders are due to your child's teacher on January 13th. Students may write poems or stories. Each individual must use his/her own language and illustrations. Parents may assist younger students by typing or writing their child's dictated stories.

Spelling Bee winners and runner ups

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	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runner- up</u>
Emerick -	Parker Curry	Emilee Simpson
Langendorf -	Camille Thirion	Easton Brokaw
McDonald-	Austin Ferrari	Jackson Wright
Weber -	Cole Henson	Natalie Kannmacher
Ogden-	Luke Burton	Easton Wienhoff
Pirok -	Addison Cochran	Allison Schwartz
Wasson-	Mina Cassens	Addison Copeland
Zobrist -	Ethan Doll	Abigail Huniak
Feco-	Jocelyn Peach	Nora Whitaker
Gurley-	Caleb Steinmann	Merrick Edwards
Hosto -	Grace Brophy	Collin Meier

Notes from the Nurse

As the weather turns cold, protect your family from the dangers of carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is a poisonous gas that cannot be seen, tasted, or smelled. Carbon monoxide is released from fuel burning appliances such as furnaces, stoves and dryers, space heaters, and generators. Early signs of carbon monoxide poisoning include: headache, stomachache, nausea/vomiting, dizziness, and fatigue. If you think you may be experiencing the effects of carbon monoxide poisoning, open all the windows in your home, move all family members and pets to an outside area, and call for emergency help. An excellent way to detect early problems is to install carbon monoxide detectors on every floor of your home. If you would like more information on carbon monoxide poisoning or any other health topics, please feel free to contact me. I hope everyone has a safe and happy 2019!

Worden PTO News and Notes

Please join us at the PTO meeting on January 7th at 5:30 p.m. Please come to our next meeting. There are lots of great new plans in the works. We would LOVE to get some extra hands involved to help make the magic happen.

Thank you to all families for Cardinals calendar purchases.

To keep you up on other happenings: PTO has decided not to sell the Gold Cards this year. If this

is a must for you, reach out and we can pass on how to purchase one. We are putting together what we be our BIGGEST fundraiser of the YEAR! Instead of doing it at the start of the school year, we waited a bit in the hopes of not competing with sports teams and clubs. We hope to get everyone's help and support in making it HUGE! Stay tuned!

YEARBOOK: We need your pictures!! If you photos from school events, please forward them to ptoworden@gmail.com. They must be sent in actual size format. If you have a lot, get a thumb drive of them to Becki Reilly or Stephanie Cassens.

Winter Weather Clothing

Please have your child dress for the weather. Students will be going outside when the temperature is above 15 degrees. Students need to have heavy coats, gloves and hats. We would like to remind students that shorts and sleeveless tops are not winter weather clothing.

Community Service Club Recycling News

CSC meetings are on the second Thursday of the month.

Reminder to save tab tops and shoes!!!

The classroom that sends in the most tab tops each quarter will win a popcorn party for the classroom!!!

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