



Principal's Notes

Ichabod Crane Primary School

November Thanks



In November, I am thankful for all the wonderful things that I see and hear each day at the Primary School: great instruction occurring throughout the building; children learning and excited about new lessons, new books, new activities; positive social interactions and good character traits; and healthy, active children growing and maturing. I can't help but be thankful to spend each day in such a wonderful environment.

Early this month, you had the opportunity to meet with your

child's teacher about his/her progress in school this year. I hope you had a good conference; at the Primary School we strongly believe in a collaborative relationship between teachers and parents in providing an education. We all work together for the best of the child.

Wishing you and your family a happy and healthy Thanksgiving!



Happy Thanksgiving!

Principal:
Melissa Murray

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Mark your Calendar:

- ☺ November 24th- "Go Home Early Drill", Dismissal 15 minutes early
- ☺ November 25th— Superintendent Conference Day; no school
- ☺ November 26th - 27th - NO School; Thanksgiving Recess

Primary School Safety

Safety is a priority in our school buildings each day. Therefore, we follow strict safety procedures at our Greeter Station. Here we ask all visitors to the building to sign in and receive a visitor badge. The badges have a time sensitive sticker that causes the badge to expire after 6 hours so that we don't have to worry about badges being taken or re-used. Thank you for taking the

time to sign in and receive a badge each time you visit.

Also, we require adults picking up students to show ID. Please don't feel bad if we ask for ID; we do this for the safety of your child. At times we have substitutes who may not recognize you, so please always bring ID with you to school. Thanks for helping keep our school safe!

Primary School
758-6931

Attendance x6001

Nurse x6020

Principal's Office x6002

Guidance x6016

Cafeteria x6024

Bus Garage 758-6996

Special Education
758- 7576

Attendance and Awards

At the Ichabod Crane CSD we value good attendance for success in school. The district has an Attendance Policy adopted by the Board of Education. With some children



We balance our school snacks with healthy choices.

experiencing various illnesses that lead to days absent from school, I wanted to share with you a few items.

Students are asked to stay home each day that they are ill and for 24 hours after a fever or vomiting. However, stu-

dents are expected to attend school everyday when they are healthy. The Attendance Policy requires that I notify parents when their child has been absent for 10 days regardless of the reason. Therefore, you may receive a letter from me if your child has been ill; please note that I understand that your child can not come to school when s/he is sick but I must follow the notification process.

Also, please note that since we do not want students to come to school when they are ill just to earn an award, the Board of Education has suspended the awarding of perfect and exemplary attendance awards for the 2009-2010 school year.

Morning Program News

Our Morning Program occurs each Friday at approximately 9:15 am. This year we are continuing to recognize students for demonstrating good character traits in our school. The character trait for the month of November is **Citizenship**. The theme this year for the performances is the USA. For November we have Morning Program on the 6th and the

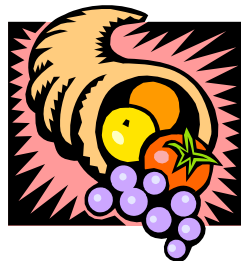
20th. Planning ahead for December, Morning Program will be held on the 4th and the 11th (but not on the 18th due to the 1/2 day).

We hope you will be able to join us sometime this year for our Morning Program celebration on Fridays.



Safety Reminders and News

* Please note: If your child is going anywhere other than his/her regular location after school, we require a written note to notify us of the change. We can not accept phone calls for changes. Please understand that we follow this procedures for the safety of the children.



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* When your child is absent from school due to illness, you are welcome to request homework/make up work. Please contact the Main Office by 10 am and we will ask the teacher to leave work for you to pick up after 2:30 pm or to send home with another student. Also, just a reminder to notify us by 9 am if your child will be absent that day.