

NEWS from the NEST

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Notes from the Director!

With the days getting longer and springtime just around the corner we leap into March with a renewed sense of excitement! We start the month celebrating Dr. Seuss. In his honor, I share with you my favorite quote, especially for preschool students, because all we ask is that they try!

*"Today you are you! That is truer than true!
There is no one alive who is you-er than you!"*

~Mr. Wilkinson

What We're Learning:

We begin March with Read Across America Day. The themes the students will learn about are Weather and Construction/ Transportation. St. Patrick's Day and Spring.

Why we do, what we do!

To encourage Reading Skills:

We have your child look for letters while out about and in their classroom environment. When we teach letters and letter sounds, we incorporate as many senses as possible. We read a variety of books (fiction and non-fiction) to the students. We encourage students to sound out short words (consonant, vowel, consonant).

Important Dates:

- March 1: Dr. Seuss Day Read Across America Day
- March 12: Preschool information night @ STAC @ 6:00pm
- March 28: PTO Dodgeball Tournament @ SRHS 11/12 Gym
- March 25- March 29- SPIRIT WEEK-More Info to follow

NURSE NEWS

Our school nurse is
Mrs. Eileen Mancini
609-978-5700 ext. 1073

Allergy Causes in Children: What Parents Can Do
Children get allergies from coming into contact with allergens. Allergens can be inhaled, eaten, or injected (from stings or medicine) or they can come into contact with the skin.

Some COMMON ALLERGENS:

- Pollens from trees, grasses, and weeds
- Molds, both indoor and outdoor
- Dust mites that live in bedding, carpeting, and Other items that hold moisture
- Animal dander from furred animals such as cats, dogs, horses and rabbits
- Some foods and medicines
- Venom from insect stings

To help your child, identify and avoid things your child is allergic to. If your child has an allergic condition, try the following:

- Keep windows closed during pollen season, especially on dry, windy days when pollen counts are highest.
- Keep the house clean and dry to reduce mold and dust mites.
- Avoid having indoor plants
- Prevent anyone from smoking anywhere near your child
- See your pediatrician for safe and effective medicine that can be used to help alleviate or prevent allergy symptoms.

Information About Parent/Guardian Requests

Parent/Guardian input is always welcome. The Stafford Township School District makes every effort to balance our classes in terms of ability, gender, number of students in a class, and many other criteria - which often makes it difficult to honor parent/guardian requests. If you have specific concerns about the placement of your child, or have specific information that will help us make an appropriate placement for your child, please feel free to send that information to the building principal. If you wish to have one teacher removed from consideration, such wishes will usually be honored, provided that appropriate reasons/justification/rationale are well documented and included with the correspondence. All pertinent information must be submitted to the **building principal by April 15th**. Any information received after that date will not be considered. As always, thank you for your cooperation.



PM PICK UPS:

If you are planning on picking up your child early from school and did not send in a note we request that you contact your child's teacher or our main office at 1270 prior to 2:45 pm to allow us time to contact the student and teachers prior to bus dismissal.

REMINDERS:

Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch are also eligible to receive free or reduced breakfast, which is available at all Stafford Schools. Please see the Stafford School's web page to find the breakfast menus in the Food Service link. The price of a reduced breakfast is \$0.30. Remember that you can prepay for meals using www.payforit.net

**Carline is available daily
starting at 8:52 am.**

**Read with your child
every night!**

Monthly tuition payments are due the 15th of each month. Please call the main office: 609-978-5700, ext. 1270 if you have any questions.

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