

# **Seneca Central Public School**

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## **Dates to Remember**

January 6<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten Registration Begins

January 20th is a PD Day

## **Dear Seneca Families:**

Before the silly hats and horns are put away, talk to your child about making a "reading resolution" for the New Year. To make reading a priority, plan to:

- Read with your child every day. Set aside some time when everybody in the house reads.
- Read aloud. Traditional bedtime reading aloud works, but some families take turns reading aloud during breakfast. Decide on a special read-aloud time for your family.
- Give books or gift cards to book stores for birthdays and other celebrations.
- Subscribe to a children's magazine.
- Make weekly trips to the library.
- Read newspaper articles together.

To make sure you can keep your resolutions:

- Keep reading materials handy.
- Limit TV. You can always record your child's favorite show.
- Track your progress. Help your child mark the calendar every day your family reads aloud.

Then reward yourselves. Watch a movie based on a favorite book—or plan a trip to a bookstore.

A reminder that January 20th is a PD Day.

'Working Together for Success'

## SUCCESS for Every Student

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Come in, come in. Our door is always open for new students. For the month of January and February we will be registering any child who was born by December 31, 2016 (any child who turns 4 years old before December 31, 2020). If your child is already in Kindergarten this year, it is NOT necessary to reregister for Kindergarten. Please bring in the birth certificate so we can take a photocopy. There will be a 'Parent Child Information Day' in June.

## **VACATION ANYONE?**

Some families have decided to go on a winter vacation and to remove their children from school for a few days. This is fine, but, please remember that when requesting work to take along on your trip you should give your child's teacher a week's notice to get everything together for you. The Grand Erie District School Board also requires parents to fill out a "Request for Temporary Absence Form" if the trip is longer than seven days.

## REPORT CARDS

On February 13, 2020 report cards for the 1st term will be coming home with your child. At this time we are asking that you review the report card with your child and please contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns or questions.



## **COLD WINTER WEATHER**

Whatever happened to global warming? With the cold, wet weather upon us, we need to make sure our little ones (and not so little ones) have boots, hats and mittens to wear while outside. An extra pair of mittens, pants and socks in their backpacks are handy in case things get soaked through. Please be sure to label all clothing with your child's name. You would be shocked at the number of items in our "Lost and Found" with no names on them. Inside shoes are a necessity for the gym and classroom as clean, dry, footwear keeps our halls and floors safe and dry.

## THANK YOU BUS DRIVERS

We are most fortunate at Seneca to have excellent bus drivers that deliver our students safely each day to and from school. These drivers make sure that the students are seated properly before the bus is moving and they each work closely with Mr. Crotta to deal with winter conditions. The job of the bus driver is often taken for granted. Thank you bus drivers!

#### **HEAD LICE CHECK**

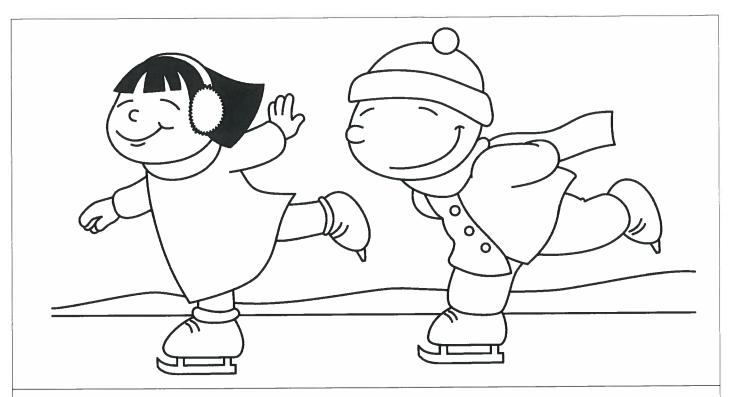
Anyone can get head lice. It is transmitted by head-to-head contact or by your head being exposed to an item used by another person who has head lice - lice do not jump. The key to getting rid of head lice is doing nightly combing through the hair, with a nit comb, fingernails or nail clippers for 20-30 minutes each night for 2 weeks. We will be checking for lice at school and appreciate your cooperation with this.



#### **CRACKING DOWN ON PEANUT BUTTER**

There is a peanut-free soy nut butter product on the market that says it is a peanut butter substitute and safe for schools. Grand Erie District School Board requests that parents and staff refrain from bringing this product into our peanut free schools.

If it is peanut-free then what's the big deal? This product looks, smells, and tastes like peanut butter. The concern is that some children may think it is okay to bring peanut butter sandwiches in their lunches when they see their classmates eating the soy product. We simply cannot run the risk of any student or staff member being exposed to peanuts as this may cause an allergic reaction. The safety and health of our students and staff must come first.



# **MONTH of JANUARY**

Sunda		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Pizza orders will be on sale again for the month of February.  Don't forget to order your Lottery Calendar to support our Outdoor Learning Classroom.			1	2	3	4
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