

Sedgwick School Community Newsletter

November 7, 2007

Thanksgiving Dinner

It has become our tradition to hold a Thanksgiving dinner for our school family every year. Plan on ordering lunch for your child(ren) on Thursday, November 15 if they want to enjoy what promises to be an excellent meal. This is a family style feast for our school family. Rose and Jen in the kitchen pull out all the stops so the school can sit down all at once and enjoy a turkey dinner with all the "fixin's." Unfortunately, **due to limited space and supplies, we cannot invite parents to eat dinner with us.** However, parents are needed to help set up, serve, and clean up as well as helping out in the kitchen. Call Mrs. Grindle at 359-5002 if you can help out.

Game Night Plus

November 21 (the day before Thanksgiving) is a half day for all students and staff here at the school. Last year we were able to offer a Game Night Plus for students in all grades who wanted (or needed) to spend the afternoon here at school. It was a great deal of fun and a huge success!

In order to provide a wide range of activities, **it would be very helpful to have parents come in to help.** If you can supervise a group, board games, or playground activities for younger kids, make or provide a **HEALTHY** snack, or have a great idea, please let Dr. Buckingham know.

BRRRR!

The weather is seasonal, meaning cold and getting colder, so students should come to school prepared with coats, hats, and mittens. Since students are expected to be outside during recess, it is important for them to be comfortably dressed. **Please check your kids' outerwear before they leave for school!**

Soccer Pizza Party

All soccer players and their parents are invited to attend an end of season pizza party on Wednesday, November 14, at 5:30 p.m. in the gym. Families with up to four members should bring one pizza to

share. Families with more than four members should bring two pizzas to share. Donated beverages (no soda please) would also be appreciated. Paper products will be provided. Soccer trophies and certificates will be presented that evening.

Basketball Season

Basketball season is right around the corner. Coaches Don O'Grady, Brian Duddy, and Ruth Allen will guide our boys and girls through the season this year. Please look for more news about practices and game schedules, which are coming right up.

Winter Gym Use

The school committee encourages use of the gym by community groups or individuals who would like to use it for activities when it is not being used by the school. Since there tends to be a lot of use through the colder months, **it is important for folks to contact the principal in advance to make arrangements.**

There will also be a calendar of gym use posted in the entry way to the gym.

PTF Meeting

The PTF met last Thursday night for a discussion of upcoming events. The next PTF event scheduled is the **Holiday Craft Fair on December 8 from 10-12.** This fair is a chance for kids to make crafts that are frequently used for delightful Christmas presents. In order for this event and others to work, it is very important to have parental help. If you can help, **please complete the sign up form** (on the back of this newsletter) **and return it to the school** no later than Friday, Nov. 16.

In other PTF news, over \$4,100 was raised by the wrapping paper fund raiser -- a record! The PTF keeps about half of that amount. Way to go!

Icelandic Lopi Sweater Raffle

You can still purchase raffle tickets from any K-2 student for a hand-knit Icelandic Lopi sweater, size 38/40, in shades of brown, copper and off-white. Ticket prices are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00.

Guns on School Grounds

With hunting season here, this is a reminder that **guns are not allowed on school grounds at any time.** This is a federal law that is for the protection of all the children at school. Please be aware of this and do not leave your rifles in your gun racks if you are coming to school.

After School Coordinator Sought

We are looking for a person to serve as our after school coordinator for five hours weekly. The job is to coordinate and supervise after school programming beginning in November and extending through early to mid-May. It is a paid position at \$9.50 per hour. There is a written job description available in the office if you're interested or you can contact Dr. Buckingham directly.

The Week at Sedgwick

Mon.	Veterans' Day Holiday - Please thank a Veteran for their service to our nation.
Wed.	Soccer Pizza Party-5:30
Thurs.	Thanksgiving Dinner

No School On Monday, November 12 - Veterans' Day