



Deposit Elementary School December 2017 Newsletter Kelli Parsons, Principal



Winter is here! Please be aware of school delays or closings. If severe weather causes school to be cancelled prior to the start of the day, Deposit Central School District will list the information on local radio and TV stations, in addition to using the automated phone system informing parents of District happenings. In the event of a delay, school will operate on the delayed schedule, please be sure not to send your child to school at the regular time. Faculty and staff will not be on duty. If weather or unforeseen circumstances should occur during the school day, and school is dismissed early, **PLEASE HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE WITH YOUR CHILD.** When early dismissals occur during the day, we usually have limited time to get information out. Once again, the automated phone service will communicate to you the necessary information you will need regarding the situation. **It is imperative that you keep your child's early dismissal card updated with current addresses and phone numbers.**

I am asking parents/guardians to remind children to dress appropriately as the weather begins to turn colder. Students will be outside during recess unless inclement weather is a factor. Proper dress helps to alleviate any physical stress on the body which can lead to a lowered immune system and eventually illness.

December will be a very busy month. Students will be involved in a variety of celebrations. Please join us on December 19th at 6:30 PM for our Winter Concert. On December 21st, the PTO will sponsor a movie for all students during the school day. A big thank you goes to all members of the PTO who work hard to support our students! Also on December 22nd, Deposit Elementary will be holding their annual Breakfast with Santa starting at 7:30 am. Remember, this special breakfast is open to all parents and guardians!

Don't forget that Winter Break begins on December 25th and ends on January 1st. School will resume on January 2nd. I wish you all a fun and relaxing time during this break.

Kelli Parsons, Elementary Principal

School Phone Numbers

- ◆ Elem. School 467-2198
- ◆ Elem. Office Ext. 2301
- ◆ Elem. School Nurse 467-8505
- ◆ Elem. School Nurse Ext. 2303
- ◆ Spec. Ed. Office Ext. 2304
- ◆ Superintendent Ext. 3306
- ◆ School Psychologist Ext. 2323
- ◆ School Counselor Ext. 2220

School Closings:

There will be no school Monday, December 25th through Monday, January 1st. School will resume on Tuesday, January 2nd.

Important Dates

- 12/11 - Board of Ed. 6 PM
- 12/19 Winter Concert 6:30 PM (all performers need to be in the band room at 6!)
- 12/21 PTO Movie Day
- 12/22 Breakfast with Santa 7:30 AM
- 12/22 Character Ed Assembly 9:00 a.m.
- 12/22 - Last Day of School
- 12/25-1/1 NO SCHOOL
- 1/2 - School Resumes

WHEN TO KEEP A CHILD HOME WITH ILLNESS DURING COLD AND FLU SEASON



Sometimes it can be difficult for a parent to decide whether to send children to school when they wake up with symptoms of an illness or complaints that they do not feel well. In general, during cold and flu season, unless your child is significantly ill, the best place for them is in school where they have already been exposed to the same germs and where they are less likely to expose other more vulnerable people, like the very young or very old. Remind your children to discard used tissues promptly, not to share personal items, to cover their mouths when they cough or sneeze, to keep their hands away from their face, and to wash hands thoroughly and often with soap and warm water. However, there are some situations in which it is best to plan on keeping your child home for a day to rest or to arrange for an appointment with your health care pro-

vider.

The following are a few situations that warrant watching and possibly calling your health care provider:

Persistent fever greater than 100.4° orally, including a fever that requires control with medication such as Tylenol

Child is too sleepy or ill from an illness, like vomiting and/or diarrhea

Cough that makes a child feel uncomfortable or disrupts the class

Sore throat that is severe along with fever and feeling ill for more than 48 hours, OR after known exposure to a confirmed case of Strep throat infection

Honey-crusted sores around the nose or mouth or rash on other body parts; OR a rash in various stages including boils, sores and bumps that may be chicken pox; OR a significant rash accompanied by other symptoms of illness such as fever

Red, runny eyes that distract the child from learning

Large amount of discolored nasal discharge, especially if accompanied by facial pain or headache

Severe ear pain or drainage from the ear

Severe headache, especially if accompanied by fever

Any condition that you think may be serious or contagious to others.

Whenever there is an outbreak of a specific contagious infection, the school sends out a notice to alert you to watch out for any symptoms. If your child starts to develop symptoms, it is important that you alert your own health care provider that your child had a possible exposure. Be sure to ask your provider when it is safe for your child to return to school, both for your child's health and for the health of the rest of the school.

Finally, if you know your child is still running a fever, it is not a good idea simply to give them Tylenol and send them onto school because as soon as the medicine wears off, you are apt to get a call from the school nurse to leave work and come to pick up your feverish child. It is better to let them stay home in bed with a fever and take their medications at home until they are off all medicines and ready to learn for a full day in a classroom. If you find a pattern of your child asking to stay home from school, especially if they are falling behind or appear anxious by the thought of attending school, or if there does not appear to be any obvious physical symptoms, it may be a good idea to contact your school nurse and your health care provider to discuss your concerns. Remember, whenever you keep your child home from school, please call the school nurse or attendance office in advance of the start of the school day and leave a message that your child will be absent.



Yearbook Sale!!!

Dear Families,

We are now accepting orders for the 2017-2018 Deposit Elementary School Yearbook. Reserve your copy today! This year's memory book will be in full color again!!! The cost of each yearbook is only \$16.00. Please complete the form below, and return it with payment to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Please fill out a separate form for each child ordering. If paying by check, please make it payable to "PTO/Deposit Elementary Yearbook." (You may write one check for multiple books.) Delivery of these memory books will be in June.

Order yours today! Don't miss out! Thank you for your support!

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Yearbook Order Form

Please turn in this form, with payment, to your child's homeroom teacher or to the Elementary Main Office. Thank you!

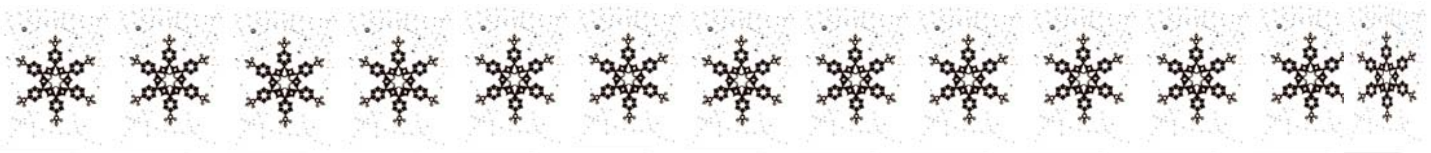
Student's Name: _____

*****Please fill out a separate order form for EACH child ordering. Thanks!*****

Homeroom Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

Number of Books Ordered: _____ @ \$16.00 each

Total Amount Paid: \$ _____ Check or Cash
(Books will be delivered in June.)



Snow Days/Early Dismissals



Every year there may be an occasional early dismissal, school closing or delayed opening of school due to the weather. Therefore, we encourage you to set up a procedure for your children to follow should they arrive home early when you are not there, or when there is a delayed opening of school. Listening to the radio, checking the school website (www.depositcsd.org), or contacting neighbors are only a few suggestions to help your children in a time of emergency. Please listen to the following Radio/TV stations:

WICZ	Channel 40
WNBC	Channel 34/ www.newschannel34.com
WIYN	94.7 FM
WAAL	99.1 FM
WNBF	1290 AM
WHWK	98 FM
WYNN	Channel 10
WSKG	Channel 46 and 89.3 FM
WDLA	1270 AM
WBNG	Channel 12/ www.wbng.com

If your telephone numbers are current in our school database, you will be notified of school closings, delays, and emergencies via the School Messenger messaging system. In the event of a delayed opening, school will begin one hour or two hours later than normal. Bus pick-ups will be one hour or two hours later than the usual pick-up. Dismissal remains unchanged.

Don't Miss Breakfast with Santa!!!



**Come enjoy breakfast
with Santa on
December 22nd starting
at 7:30 AM**