

It's hard to believe that we've wrapped up the month of October and the holidays are just around the corner.

November will be a fast and busy month. The students will have a half day on the 3rd with a 11:15 dismissal and there will be no school on November 10th in observance of Veterans' Day. On November 9th, The Lifetouch Company will be here to do picture retakes. November 16th and 17th are 1/2 days for the students so that we can take the time to meet with you during parent/teacher conferences. On these days, the students will be dismissed at 11:30. This is a special time set aside for parents and teachers to talk about the individual progress and academic goals of each student. As teachers begin preparing for and scheduling parent conferences, I want to remind families that these conferences are a powerful tool in better understanding the needs and strengths of your child. The more parents choose to participate in these discussions, the more knowledge you will gain. Please feel free to bring a list of questions that you may have regarding your child or the academic program that is being offered in your child's classroom. Write down any questions that you have regarding homework, class projects, peer relationships or other school events or policies. Your child's teacher wants you to become more informed about your child's education and what you can do at home to help continue your child's academic success. Finally, Thanksgiving break will take place from 11/22-11/24. School will resume on November 27th!

Kelli Parsons, Elementary Principal



The weather is getting colder, and students need to be dressed warmly because we are outside before school starts and at recess . Please make sure your child is wearing a coat, hat, gloves and other items that will keep him/her warm throughout winter. If you are in need of any of these items for your child, please call Jessica Stanton, our school counselor, at 467-2198 x 2220. All information is confidential. I hope you have a wonderful holiday with your family and friends.

### School Phone Numbers

Elem. School 467-2198
Elem. Office Ext. 2301
Elem. School Nurse 457-8505
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 a half day on November 3rd, no school on Friday 10th in observance of Veterans' Day, and 1/2 days on 16th and 17th for Parent Conferences. Thanksgiving Break is 11/22-11/24. School will resume on November 27th.

## Important Dates

- © 11/3—Half Day 11:15 dismissal
- © 11/9 Picture Retakes
- © 11/10—Veterans' Day; NO SCHOOL
- © 11/13—Board of Education 6 PM
- \$\text{0}\$ 11/16 & 11/17—Parent/Teacher Conferences.}\$\$ Students dismissed at 11:30
- © 11/22-11/24—Thanksgiving Break—No School!
- © 11/27 School Resumes

# PTO News



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Tuesday, November 7th is Election Day across the United States. The students of DES will hold their own election to decide on our November Spirit Day. The "candidates" will be:

Pajama Day Sports Day Backwards Day

November Spirit Day will be held on Tuesday, November 21st.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14th. All are welcome to attend! We are always looking for new ideas for the end of the year carnival!

