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A Monthly Publication

December 2021

Dear Sand Lake Families,

As the second quarter of school comes to an end, this is a great time to remind your child about finishing the quarter on a strong note. Staying focused in class, completing assignments, and being prepared for each day will ensure your child will be successful for the remainder of the quarter. The last day of school for students is December 16th, and students will return to school on January 3rd, 2022.

Teachers will be working on second quarter report cards on December 17th, so there will not be school that day. Report cards will be sent home during the week of January 3rd. As we plan for upcoming events, please make sure to mark February 16th and 17th on your calendar as these are the dates for Parent Teacher Conferences. More information will be coming about times for individual conferences.

Our teachers are currently screening all of our students in math and reading through the 16th of December, so attendance during this time is critical. The data collected will help us develop the best education possible for each and every student at Sand Lake.

Please join us on December 9th at 6:30 pm for our Orff performance for parents, on December 15th at 3:00 pm for the Band concert, and on December 16th at 3:00 pm for the Orchestra concert. All of these students have been hard at work preparing, so we are hopeful all of their parents are able to join us.

I hope everyone enjoys the upcoming holiday break, and we are all looking forward to a great new year!

Sincerely,

Linson Thompson

Principal, Sand Lake Elementary

Important Dates

- 12/9 6:30 pm, Orff Concert in the MPR
- 12/13 Migrant Education Literacy Event 5:30 PM
- 12/15 3:00 pm - Band Concert for parents
- 12/16 3:00 pm - Orchestra concert for parents
- 12/16 Last day for students - No School
- 12/17 Grading Day - No School

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Sand Lake Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is back! We are here to help several Sand Lake families who need a little extra help during the holiday season.

How it works this year:

Visit our Sand Lake PTA website (below) to view the 2021 Giving Tree page with a list of support needed. Drop off the unwrapped gifts, labeled with the gender/age information, in the collection bin outside Sand Lake entrance. Our amazing office and custodial staff will be checking the bin regularly on weekdays from 9am – 4pm. Please have the gifts to the office by Friday, December 10th.

PTA will collect and wrap the gifts and work with the Sand Lake office to get the items to the families before winter break.

PTA Website: sandlakeak.memberhub.com

Contact Erin Webb with any questions at erinak03@yahoo.com or thesandlakeptsa@gmail.com.



Sand Lake Elementary
Orff Ensemble



Winter Concert

Dec. 9, 2021 6:30pm Sand Lake MPR

Sand Lake Spirit Week Dec 6-10

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

12/6



Pajama Day

12/7

**Holiday Hats
&
Headband
Day**



12/8



**Ugly
(or cute)
Holiday Sweater
Day**

12/9

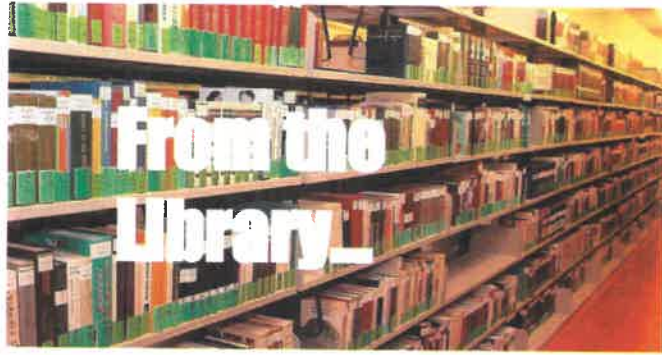
**Holiday
(or Crazy)
Sock
Day**



12/10



**Sand Lake
Spirit
Day
(Blue & Yellow)**



STEM Challenges

Library Books for K-1 are due each week. For 2-6 every other week, and may be rechecked, if needed.

****Helpful Tip:**
Have a designated spot for library books at home so it is easy to find and return them.

STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and math. Over the last couple of weeks students have been participating in a challenge related to a story we read. Ask your child if they are creating a balloon for the Macy's Day Parade, a turkey obstacle course, or a disguise for a turkey. They are given limited instructions and materials to design their item. Their creativity is growing!

Book Donations for the Holidays
If you would like to consider donating books to the library for the holidays, here are some wished for titles from students.

The Wednesday Wars

Weird Kid

Tod Hunter Moon Book 2 and 3

Any video game based books and Graphic Novels



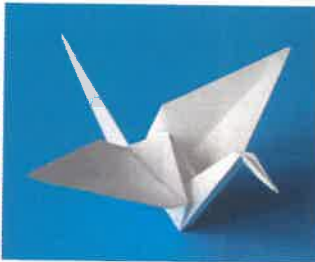
A.P.S.

Animal Protection Service

Hello Sand Lake Families! We are a group of Sand Lake 6th graders and we run the newly-formed A.P.S, which stands for animal protection service. We sell lollipops and origami on Monday mornings with the School Store. We will also sell jewelry and Candy Cane grams soon.

100% of the money we get goes to local animal shelters!

If you want to donate, please contact:
ramuglia_madeline@asdk12.org





Nurse Laura's List



I always accept donations of new or lightly used clothing, from leggings to sweats to winter gear. Having items available helps me take care of everyone at Sand Lake Elementary.

Can you help Nurse Laura?

- Shirts & Pants
- Jackets
- Snow Pants
- Gloves
- Boots
- Hats



Online Silent AUCTION

Start bidding

November 29th-December 4th

Bid on unique gifts and themed gift baskets. All funds benefit Japanese immersion program.

Visit TOMONOKAI.ORG



Dear Sand Lake Families,

ASD has made it possible for me to perform COVID testing here at Sand Lake Elementary. I am now able to complete testing for those who become sick at school and need to go home.



COVID testing is not done because we "think" a symptom is due to COVID-19. it is done so that we know it is not COVID-19 so we can avoid exposing others. Please continue to follow the ASD protocol for any of the below symptoms.

Fever, chills, new trouble breathing or shortness of breath, new cough, diarrhea, abdominal pain, vomiting, fatigue, joint pain, muscle aches or body aches, new rash, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, headache, new congestion, new runny nose.

ASD protocol link:

<https://sites.google.com/asdk12.net/returntoschoolpolicy/return-to-schoolwork>

For school testing, parents may register ahead of time at the link below. Testing is NOT completed without parent permission and a complete registration.

Register HERE:

<https://beechtree.rymedi.com/#/registration-form?irbuuid=bdfc13af-f77b-4778-b666-feaa965a1360>

Even though testing at school is now an option, this is one of many responsibilities I have in our school with over 530 children. Please continue to utilize community sites for COVID testing when you know your child is sick. If you do not have transportation for testing or it is of great difficulty to do so, please contact me directly.

<https://anchoragecovidtest.org/>

There have been several questions about COVID vaccinations at school. I am not offering nor administering any immunizations or vaccinations at Sand Lake Elementary currently. Shots of any kind are NEVER given at school without informing the parent or guardian and having consent from the parent/guardian.

Thank you all for doing your part in keeping our school community healthy and safe.

Nurse Laura

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Sand Lake Elementary School Nurse

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Patient Registration for ASD Covid Testing Program--Instructions

If on a chromebook, click on the camera icon on the lower toolbar. Open the camera and take a picture of:

1. The back and front of your insurance card
2. The back and front of your driver's license
3. The floor or the ceiling--yes, the floor or the ceiling

Click "I don't have a QR-Code"

Click "Next"--if a new screen does not appear then scroll up and look for red areas that show required fields. Fill those out.

Test Consent

Click "Yes, I am electronically signing my approval and consent to proceed"

If signing for yourself as a patient, click "The Patient"

If signing as a parent or guardian click "That Patient's legally Authorized Representative.
Then enter your name and the name of the witness

Next--if a new screen does not appear then scroll up and look for red areas that show required fields. Fill those out.

Personal Information

Enter the personal information of the person getting tested for Covid

Check the "Text/SMS" box under the personal data fields to get your results via text

Social Security Number is not required

If you would like your test result electronically attached to your passport, click "yes"--this is helpful for international travel. It will require you to enter your passport number. If not traveling, click "no"

Enter ethnicity and race information for person being tested

Click "Next"--if a new screen does not appear then scroll up and look for red areas that show required fields. Fill those out.

Do you have insurance?

Click "yes"--this will require you to enter insurance information. Have your card handy.

OR

Click "no" --enter your State ID or license number

OR

If you don't want to enter this, then enter "99999"

Social Security Number--not required

Answer the medical questions

Next--if a new screen does not appear then scroll up and look for red areas that show required fields. Fill those out.

Your personal QR code is now created. It will be on file in the system

Cheats:

- Only answer the required questions--those marked with an *
- If you do not want to enter an insurance # or state id #, enter "999999"
- If you do not want to enter a picture of your insurance card or driver's license, upload the picture of the floor or ceiling that you took at the beginning of this process

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HILLTOP SKI AREA SNOWSPORTS SCHOOL

Kids Learn to Ski or Snowboard Scholarship!

THREE FUTURE ALPINE SKIERS AND THREE SNOWBOARDERS WILL BE CHOSEN TO RECEIVE A FREE:

- MULTI-WEEK **LESSON PROGRAM** FOR 4 WEEKS ON SUNDAYS AT 1PM.
- **RENTAL** SKIS/BOARD, BOOTS, BINDINGS, AND HELMET FOR ALL 4 DAYS OF LESSONS.
- **LIFT TICKETS** FOR ALL 4 DAYS OF LESSONS.



How to Apply for the Scholarship:

MUST BE AGE 7-12 ONLY

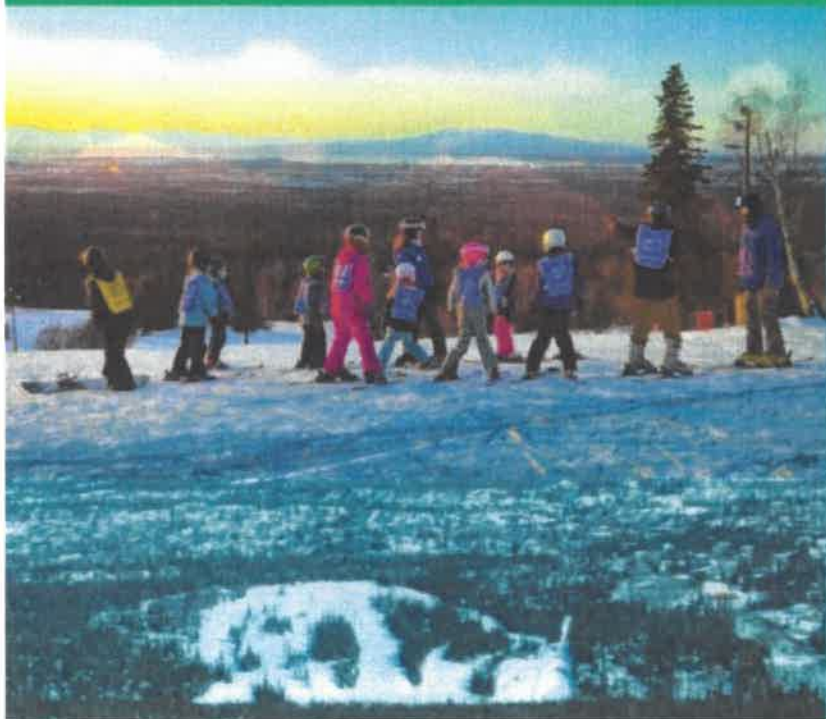
WE JUST WANT TO KNOW WHY YOU WANT TO LEARN TO SKI OR SNOWBOARD!

- YOU CAN WRITE AN ESSAY OR STORY TELLING US WHY YOU WANT TO LEARN TO SKI OR SNOWBOARD

OR

- YOU CAN DRAW/PAINT/CREATE A CARTOON, PICTURE OR COMIC THAT TELLS US WHY YOU'RE INTERESTED IN TRYING DOWNHILL SKIING OR SNOWBOARDING.

Deadline : Friday December 17th



If Picked:

YOU WILL NEED YOUR OWN GLOVES, SNOW PANTS, JACKET, AND ANY OTHER WARM WEATHER GEAR THAT WILL BE NEEDED THE DAY OF THE LESSONS.

THIS PACKAGE IS FOR NEVER-EVER FUTURE SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS.

YOU CAN SEND A PHOTO OF YOUR ARTWORK, OR YOUR WRITTEN STORY/ESSAY TO:



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