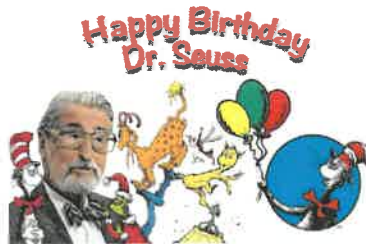




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DATES TO REMEMBER:



FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST

Dr. Seuss Day

Cook-A-Book

MONDAY, MARCH 4TH

NO SCHOOL-Casimir Pulaski Day

TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH

Positive Parenting Workshop 9-11:00 AM

PTA Meeting 9:15 AM

Assets/Learning Links

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6TH

Team Day Early Dismissal

PBIS School Store (make sure

your child brings their cougar

tickets in to school-they get to

shop with their cougar tickets)

Pre-K Family Fun Night 6-7:00 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH

Popcorn Day/Birthday Books

Assets

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH

Cook-A-Book

MARCH 11TH - MARCH 15TH

Scholastic Book Fair

MONDAY, MARCH 11TH

Assets

TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH

Positive Parenting Workshop 9-11:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH

Pre-K Parent/Teacher Conferences 5-8:00 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH

Assets

Krispy Kreme Fundraiser pick up

Family Night - Book Fair 6-8:00 PM

FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH

Cook-A-Book

MONDAY, MARCH 18TH

Assets

TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH

Spring pictures

Assets/(last) Learning Links

Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH

Pre-K Parent Workshop 9:30-10:30 AM

THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST

(last) Assets

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND

Cook-A-Book

MARCH 25TH-MARCH 29TH

NO SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK

MARCH 30TH

Yearbook deadline for ordering online

trouwing.com \$12.00 (set up acct. put

the number: 1015101639343642 in.

Friday, March 1st is Dr. Seuss Day and Read Across America Day. The National Education Association (NEA) sponsors the "Read Across America Day" which is an annual, national reading celebration to promote reading and the love of books and also to honor Dr. Seuss (birthday-March 2, 1904). For more info: www.readacrossamerica.org, www.seussville.com, and www.nea.org.

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Sorrick Families,

Spring is just around the corner, and even though we are approaching the final quarter of the school year, we are busy making plans for the upcoming year! Like us, many of you are thinking ahead about your child's class placement next year. Please know that the staff and I carefully consider the placement of each child based on his or her needs.

Although we often receive requests for a specific teacher for the upcoming school year, we cannot honor requests for placement in specific classes. The kindergarten programs offered at Sorrick School are a half-day AM or PM general education section, as well as, an additional half-day AM or PM section for those qualifying for English Learner support services. Like teacher requests, we are also unable to honor requests for AM or PM sections for kindergarten and pre-school. However, you are certainly

welcome to share relevant information about your child that you would like us to consider as we select class placements. If you have information about your child such as learning style, need for structure, organizational skills, etc., please send me a note by May 1st. We appreciate you adhering to these guidelines and supporting our placement decisions.

If your child will not be returning to Sorrick School next year, please notify the Sorrick office. We are looking forward to another fantastic year here at Sorrick School!

Partners in Education,

Natalie Profita,
Principal of Sorrick School



There will be **NO SCHOOL** on Monday, March 4th in recognition of Casimir Pulaski Day. Casimir Pulaski Day is a local holiday officially observed in Chicago, Illinois, on the first Monday of every March. Casimir Pulaski, was a Revolutionary War cavalry officer born in Poland as Kazimierz Pulaski. He is praised for his contributions to the United States military during the American Revolution and is known as "the father of the American cavalry".

Wed. March 6th

TEAM DAY- EARLY DISMISSAL

The next **TEAM DAY** is scheduled for Wednesday, March. 6th. **TEAM DAYS** are used for our staff for in-service and professional growth activities.

Below is our TEAM DAY schedule:

Full-day Students:

9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Bus pick-up and walker drop off will be at regular times. Dismissal will occur at 2:00 PM with buses departing and children arriving home between 2:00-3:00 PM. Students will be served lunch as usual. Walkers will be dismissed at 2:00 PM.

Half-day Students

AM session: 9:00 -11:00 AM

Bus pick-up and walker drop off will begin at the regular times. Dismissal will occur at 11:00 AM with buses departing and children arriving home approximately 30 minutes earlier than usual. Walkers will be dismissed at 11:00 AM.

PM session: 12:00-2:00 PM

Pupils riding the bus will board approximately 30 minutes earlier than usual. Drop off for walkers is 11:45-12:00 PM. Dismissal will occur at 2:00 PM with buses departing and children arriving home between 2:00-3:00 PM. Walkers will be dismissed at 2:00.



Thursday,
March 14th



Sorricks PTA will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair March 11th - March 15th. Students will bring home book fair information with dates and times of when they will visit the book fair with their classroom. Family Book Fair Night is on Thursday, March 14th from 6:00-8:00 PM. Please come and join other Sorrick families for a night of fun and the opportunity to purchase some really great books.

It is that time of year again when Sorrick PTA brings delicious Krispy Kreme donuts right here to Sorrick School. Pick up times are between the hours of 6:00-8:00 PM on March 14th during our Scholastic Book Fair Family Night. (Enter at Door #11 - by the flag pole- Sorrick APR Room).

Order forms were sent home with your child and are due back March 11th.



SPRING PICTURE REMINDER - SPRING PICTURES WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH.

No payment is needed at this time. All students will be photographed. A proof package will be sent home with your child with ordering information. Siblings can be photographed together. If you want their pictures taken together, please fill out the form that will be sent home with your children's names, classrooms and grade. Return it to the oldest child's teacher.

NPD 117's WEATHER RECESS AND OUTDOOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES

Cold Weather:

20 degrees and above (including wind chill) will have outdoor recess

Below 20 degrees (including wind chill) will have indoor recess

Warm Weather:

100 degrees and above (including heat index) will have indoor recess/physical education

Please dress your child appropriately for the change in weather temperatures.

PRE-K COORDINATOR CORNER

Thanks to all who came to our annual Camp Reading Fun Night where we had fun making lanterns to give us light while reading our books in our tents, and sang around the campfire with Mrs. Nawrocki. There were some great pictures taken that are available for viewing on my web page. If you haven't already browsed my page, please check it out! Go to www.npd117.net > select school > Pre-K website > Pre-K Coordinator. You'll find calendars, workshop and fun night flyers, orientation material, pictures and more.

Keep reading to your children! The importance of reading cannot be emphasized enough in young children and we as parents need to make reading a priority. Below are just a few of the benefits and advantages that highlight the importance of reading.

1. Reading to young children sets them up to succeed. The more you read to your children, the more knowledge they absorb, and knowledge is important to making reading a priority.
2. Reading develops language skills. While you may speak with your children every day, the vocabulary you use is often limited and repetitive. The more words they know, the better. For children who speak more than one language, reading is an easy way to help their language skills and is important to develop their fluency.
3. Reading enhances a child's concentration. While you may think it is useless reading to a toddler who wants to constantly turn pages, swap books, or throw them around, reading with your little one will help your child learn to concentrate and sit still for longer periods of time, which can help later when they go to school.
4. Reading together encourages a thirst for knowledge. Reading to your children leads to questions about the book and the information within. It gives you a

chance to speak about what is happening and use this as a learning experience.

5. Reading develops a child's imagination and creativity. When we really engage in a book we imagine what the characters are doing. We imagine the setting as reality. Seeing the excitement on a child's eyes when they know what is going to be on the next page or having them guess what is going to happen is one of the most amazing experiences.

I have ordered more bilingual books for the Parent Library. Please stop in and check them out and just keep reading!

Our Dental Health parent workshop was well attended and we're looking forward to the Community Resource Workshop planned for March 20th at the Sorrick APR. For the March workshop, several community organizations have been invited to share information that could be of benefit to not only your Pre-K student, but for your entire family. The first 50 parents to show up will receive 1 free child admission to the Oak Lawn Children's Museum. Come browse and take home information on the many opportunities that are available to you and your family in the community. More information is available attached to the March calendar packet.

The March calendar is jam packed with many opportunities to fulfill parent participation. Don't forget to visit the Parent Library and check out some of the new material that has been added.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at crshr@npd117.net

Thank you!
Mrs. Cathleen Rehr



MARCH

Pre-K Parent Participation

Looking ahead, March parent participation dates and times are as follows:

TUESDAY, MARCH 5th

PTA Meeting 9-15 AM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6th

Family Fun Night- Sorrick 6-7:00 PM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7th

Popcorn Day/Birthday Books

FRIDAY, MARCH 8th

Book Fair set-up PM only

MARCH 11th-MARCH 15th

Scholastic Book Fair

THURSDAY, MARCH 14th

Book Fair Family Night 6-8:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20th

Pre-K Parent Workshop

@ D/O 9:30-10:30 AM

Due to Spring Break 3/25-3/29,

March is a shorter month to get your participation fulfilled, and please remember that any material borrowed from the library is recorded as participation when returned.

As always, please remember to find the sign in sheet at whatever event you participate at so I know you were there!

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEALTH CLERK

Many illnesses can occur this time of year. Below is a list of illnesses and their symptoms:

Upper Respiratory Infection (Common Cold) An upper respiratory infection usually refers to a viral infection of the URT (nose, throat, ears and eyes). Once you have been in contact with a cold virus, it takes 2 to 3 days for the cold symptoms to begin. If you have the following symptoms, you should probably have a cold. Symptoms include: fever/headache/sneezing/cough/earache/watery eyes/runny nose/sore or scratchy throat or tonsillitis

Influenza (Flu) A contagious disease caused by a group of respiratory viruses called the influenza viruses. Once you've been in contact with an influenza virus, it takes 1 to 4 days for symptoms to begin. The contagious period is from the day before the signs or symptoms begin until 7 days after the onset. Symptoms include: cough/sore throat/sudden onset of fever/headache/chills/muscle aches and pains/nausea and vomiting/decreased energy

Streptococcal Infection (Strep) Symptoms include: sore throat/fever/and sometimes a rash known as scarlet fever
When the infection is treated with an antibiotic, the child is no longer contagious after 24 hours of

therapy. If your child has had symptoms of this infection within the last 2 weeks or develops these symptoms, please have your child see a physician.

Fever/Vomit Policy Your child must be fever free (100.0 or less) for 24 hours without medication before returning to school. If your child vomits, they must stay home from school for 24 hours.

Whenever your child is sick and absent from school, it is important that you call our 24 hr. attendance line to report their absence. Please call (708) 598-5743.

Please call my office if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for the privilege of caring for your child!

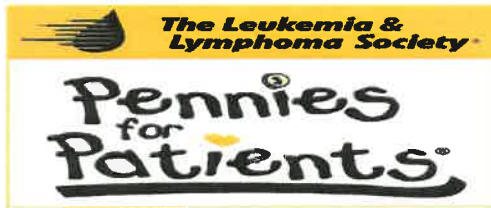
Margie Janda
Health Clerk
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Fax: (708) 599-7763



REMINDER:

PRE-K
PARENT/TEACHER
CONFERENCES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH
5:00-8:00 pm



For the past few years Sorrick School has taken part in the Leukemia Lymphoma's "Pennies for Patients"/ "Pasta for Pennies" fundraiser. We began our Kick-off Assembly this year on February 4th and ended with our "Clean out your Console Day" and final donations on February 22nd.

Thank to all our students, families and staff that were able to help our school raise funds in the fight against cancer.



We were able to raise \$5,258.23.

The classrooms with highest donations were awarded a pasta, salad and bread stick luncheon from Olive Garden Restaurant.

Congratulations to: 1st place: Mrs. Danaher's PM class, 2nd place Ms. Golden's class and 3rd place Mrs. Osak-Kusz's AM class.

PreKindergarten 3 & 4 Year Old Screening Registration Information

PreKindergarten registration for the 2019-2020 school year begins March 11th and continues through April 18th for residents of North Palos School District 117. Children must be born between 9/2/14 and 9/1/16 to participate in this registration. Currently enrolled PreK students DO NOT need to register for screening.

PreKindergarten registration will be held at Dorn and Sorrick Schools. Registration hours are Monday – Friday, 9:00AM-3:00PM. Registration forms will be available on the District 117 website; www.npd117.net or you may pickup registration forms in person at Dorn or Sorrick School beginning March 11th. When returning the registration packet, you are required to bring your child's birth certificate, proof of residency and additional documentation as indicated on page two. Thursday, April 18th is the deadline to register for screening. You must register in person at the school that represents the area where your child resides:

8800 South Harlem residents register at Sorrick School.

Registration will be held at Dorn School for children residing NORTH of 95th Street.

Registration will be held at Sorrick School for children residing SOUTH of 95th Street.

For more information and forms go to our website at: www.npd117.net.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS/VISITORS

All parents that volunteer at school (whether it be in the classroom or on a field trip) must fill out our new NPD 117 Volunteer Guidelines forms and submit a new copy of their photo ID. New volunteer guidelines were distributed, are available online or in the Sorrick office.

Please read carefully, sign and return both pages (front & back sides) fully completed and send back with a current photo ID to the Sorrick office at least 1 week before participating.

Parent Access Login/ Parent and Students Tab

Please visit our website at www.npd117.net to create a parent account which gives you access to your child's grades, transportation, meal fund, newsletters, emails, etc. Our district homepage is full of a lot of valuable info to help you communicate and see all that is happening in your child's school. Once you have an account (Parents and Students tab) please make sure to check account balances on your meal plans, transportation fees or other outstanding balances. Please consider using the K12 Payment Center online payment system to purchase your child's meals.

STUDENT ABSENCES/LATE ARRIVAL

If your child is going to be absent from school, please call our 24 hour attendance line: (708) 598-5743. Please say your child's name (first and last name), your name and relation to the child, the date/dates of absence and the reason for absence.

If your child is coming to school late, please call our office at (708) 233-8200. If you need to order their lunch from school, please let us know as well.



**REMINDER-NO SCHOOL
MARCH 25TH –MARCH 29TH
SPRING BREAK**



Sorrick School

March 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1  Cook-A-Book 3:30-4:30	2
3	4  NO SCHOOL Casimir Pulaski Day	5 PTA Meeting 9:15 AM Positive Parenting Workshop 9-11:00 AM Assets/Learning Links	6 TEAM DAY AM: 9:00-11:00 PM: 12:00-2:00 Full Day: 9:00-2:00 PBIS School Store (make sure your child brings their cougar tickets in to school) Pre-K Family Fun Night 6:00-7:00 PM	7  Popcorn Day Birthday Books Assets	8 Cook-A-Book 3:30-4:30	9
10  March 11-15	11 Assets ←-----	12 (last) Positive Parenting Workshop 9-11:00 AM -----	13 Pre-K Parent/Teacher Conferences 6-8:00 PM -----	14 Assets Book Fair Family Night Krispy Kreme pick up 6-8:00 PM -----	15 Cook-A-Book 3:30-4:30 -----→	16
17	18 Assets	19 Spring Pictures  Board of Ed Meeting 7:00 PM Assets (last) Learning Links	20 Pre-K Parent Workshop 9:30 -10:30 AM @ District Office	21 (last) Assets	22 Cook-A-Book 3:30-4:30	23
24  March 25-March 29 NO SCHOOL	25 ←-----	26 -----	27 -----	28 -----	29 -----→	30 Deadline for yearbook sales online (\$12.00) go to treering.com (create acct. enter # 1015101638343642)