

Soaring to New Heights of Excellence SUNNY HEIGHLIGHTS

September 1, 2017 Barton Lewis, Principal 11149 Stonybrook Drive Cassie Wykes, Dean of Students

Sunny Heights Families,

Hard to imagine we have reached the midterm of our first quarter already! Students and staff have been working hard to build relationships, set expectations, and practice procedures that will help support the learning ahead.

We have a very important evening next week. On Thursday, September 7th we will be hosting a Parent Information Night. The focus of the evening is the IREAD3 presentation by our 3rd grade team. Parents of current 3rd graders are strongly encouraged to attend. We will also have information available about the PTA, volunteering opportunities, library resources, Title I, and more. Our local Steak n' Shake has generously donated chili for the evening. Doors open at 6:00pm. Hope to see everyone Thursday night!

Your Proud Principal,

Barton Lewis



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER			
September 4 th	Labor Day, No school		
September 5 th - 6	th Healthy Smiles		
September 7 [≞]	I-READ Parent Information Night		
September 11 th	Flu Shot day		
September 13 th	Late start for students; elementary – 9:30 a.m.		
September 22 nd	Picture Day		
September 27 th	Last day of 1 st grading period		
September 29 th	Warren Community Fest		
October 3 rd	Parent/Teacher Conferences; no school		
October $9^{\text{th}} - 20^{\text{th}}$	Intersession Break		
November 7 th	Professional Day - No school for students		
November 22 nd –	24 th Thanksgiving Holiday - No school		
December 13 th	Late start for students; elementary – 9:30 a.m.		
December 19 th -	22 nd Vision (Gr. 1 & 3) & hearing (Gr. 1 & 4) screening		
December 22 nd	Last day before winter break		



Monday, September 4, 2017

Home & School Connection

MOTIVATION

The best motivation is *self*-motivation. Your youngster can keep chugging along during his journey through school with these suggestions.

Make decisions - Children tend to be more motivated if they feel like they have a say in what they do or when they do it. Try to give your youngster choices about when to work or what to read at bedtime. You could ask, "Which subject will you study first, science or history?" or "Which book should we read tonight?" If he gets to pick the topic for a report or project, encourage him to choose one that he will find motivating, perhaps something related to a hobby or a sport he loves. Point out that he can even make choices when he takes a test perhaps which questions to answer first or how to approach a math problem.

Work hard - Focusing on your child's efforts rather than on her intelligence or grades shows that she is in the "driver's seat" and in control of her performance. Maybe she studies hard and does well on a geography test. You might say, "Quizzing yourself a little each day really helped you learn the material!" You'll tell her exactly what she did that led to success – and inspire her to repeat the behavior next time.

CURIOSITY

Sparking your youngster's curiosity puts her on the road to lifelong learning. Consider these tips for inspiring a sense of wonder.

Share discoveries – Create a "Curiosity Zone" to show your child that you can be curious and learn at any age. Hang up a bulletin board or blank poster board, and place index cards, pushpins, and a pencil nearby. Encourage family members to post interesting facts they discover, such as "Lightning is hotter than the sun" or "It's impossible to divide zero by zero." Your youngster will be excited to add new facts and to stop by the zone to see what others added. Also, post questions. If someone knows the answer, she can write it on the card. Otherwise, suggest that your child research the topic online, in books, or by asking someone who might know the answer.

Explore further – Look for ways to build on what your youngster is studying in school. Visit a history museum when he studies Colonial times. Check out library books on science topics he's exploring like plants or magnets. If he learns about landmarks around the world, suggest that he draw pictures of them or use blocks to build models. He'll add to his background knowledge – and see that chances to learn are all around!

EXCLUSION DAY – on Monday, September 18th for those students who are in need of immunizations. Prior notice has been sent out since the beginning of the school year for those students that are in need of shots.

HEALTHY SMILES

Healthy Smiles will be visiting our school on September 5th to provide preventive dental care to students who register for the program. A registration form will be coming home with your student.

The following services will be provided on site: dental check-up, digital x-rays, cleaning with fluoride and d preventive sealants.

Students will receive hygiene education, a new toothbrush and a dental health report card.

Meet the Healthy Smiles dental team on Facebook at Healthy Smiles of Indiana

Call their office with any questions at 317-894-8370 or email lynn@indysmiles.org.

A NOTE FROM THE NURSE....

Health Hero is going to provide FREE flu shots to our students on September 11th.

A consent form needs to be filled out in order for the child to receive the shot. If you want your child to get a flu shot, please contact the nurse (Roberta @ 532-2903) or your child's teacher for the consent form.

SUNNY HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY

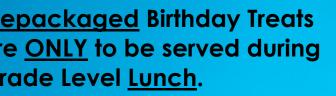
11149 Stonybrook Drive, Indianapolis 46229 Phone: 532-2900; Fax: 532-2938 School hours: 8:40 a.m. to 3:40 p.m. www.warren.k12.in.us http://sunnyheights.warren.k12.in.us/hom/ https://www.facebook.com /SunnyHeightsElementary Follow Sunny Heights on Twitter @sunnyheightselem #WarrenMatters

Prepackaged Birthday Treats are ONLY to be served during Grade Level Lunch.

Lunch Times are as follows: Kindergarten: 10:30-11:05AM 1st/First: 11:05-11:40AM 2nd/Second: 11:40-12:15AM 3rd/Third: 12:55-1:30AM 4th/Fourth: 12:15-12:50AM







PLEASE NOTIFY THE OFFICE BEFORE 3:00 p.m. OF ANY TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

WARREN COMMUNITY FEST

It is an all new and improved Homefest! In fact, we are changing the name to Warren Community Fest!! Let's all get behind our Warren community and come together in a fun-filled event sure to entertain you. We are bringing back the best of Homefest (FunRun, Bingo, vendors, Food) and much more!

Warren Community Fest will be held on September 29, 2017 at Warren Central High School. More information will follow, but mark your calendars now!

Plan on an enjoyable community event!

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

School will not be in session on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 due to conferences being held. Report cards for the first nine-week grading period will be given out during the conference. Teachers will be sending home conference time information in the future.



FALL PICTURE DAY IS COMING SOON

Individual student pictures will be taken on Friday, September 22nd this year. Every student will get his or her picture taken for the yearbook. Any purchase of pictures is optional. Pictures are taken on a prepay program. Payment is to be made payable to "LIFETOUCH", not to the school. Picture order forms will be sent home in the near future.

SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLICATIONS/NEWS MEDIA USE

The occasion may arise when the school district wants to recognize our child or your child's school. This may include your child's photo, name or your child's work in district publications, newsletters, on school district websites, and in electronic/social media or in staff training videos. We may also want to tell the media (including newspapers, television and radio) about your child's achievements. We never knowingly release information about a student to anyone who wants to use it for commercial/political purposes. However, we will honor your request to not include your child in these types of recognitions if you notify your child's school office in writing that you do not want this type of information released.

SUNNY HEIGHTLIGHTS EMAIL LIST

In the past, we have made an email distribution list for our families to receive the Sunny Heighlights. We have had excellent participation with this but still have a few families that we do not have email addresses for. If you are interested in receiving your bulletin by email instead of receiving a paper copy from your child, please fill out the form below and send it to the school office.

1	Student name(s):	
ì	Student's grade:	Teacher:
	Parent/guardian's name:	
į	Email address:	

Are you 18 or Older with a Child between Ages 2 and 8?

Earn \$150 in Target Gift Cards.



Seeking parents and children for a research study aimed at preventing Type 2 Diabetes in children!

Eligible families must contain at least one parent **AND** child while meeting <u>one</u> of the following criteria:

- Child's mother had gestational diabetes (high blood sugar) during pregnancy
- Child weighed 9 pounds or more at birth
- One of child's biological parents has been diagnosed with pre-diabetes
- One of the child's biological parents has been diagnosed as overweight or obese

Call 317-278-5545 to see if you are eligible

