

It's Great to Be a Wildcat!

The Latest BUZZ from Mrs. B



School resumes January 5th!

Thursday, January 5th, school resumes from Winter break. First semester (2nd quarter) ended on December 21st. Student report cards will be issue on Thursday, January 12th. Please contact your child's teacher with any questions.

Reminders:

- Please **renew** 2nd semester bus passes and Kindergarten snack milk by Friday, January 6th. The semester bus fee is \$50. Please note there are no waivers available for Kindergarten snack milk. Any questions please direct them to 815-664-4601. Also note, that both of these fees must be paid in full.
- Please remember to call the offices by 9:00 a.m. if your child will not be attending school.
- During the cold and flu season, students must be fever free for a full 24 hours—**without fever reducing medicine**, before returning to school. Not only does this prevent the spread of germs, but protects your child from getting new ones or a relapse due to a compromised physical system.
- Remember your child will be outside before school and during recess, most days. Dressing in layers is suggested. Also, snow pants and boots are required to play on the equipment. We have many students who are forgetting winter coats, hats and gloves. Please make sure they have all the necessary gear when leaving for school.
- Please note that the District's student management system, TeacherEase has menus and calendars, in addition to student grades and attendance. Make sure we have an updated email address so you are able to access your child's information.
- The area Girl Scouts are collecting broken crayons for a mission project. If Santa brings new crayons, please send the old ones to school. There will be a collection box available in January.



**Wildcats' three key words:
RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, and SAFETY!!!!**

Take Note:

- Welcome to Ms. Emily Smith who is taking over the last semester of PreK and former student, Valerie Hoffert who is student teaching in first grade.
- **No school** on Friday, January 13th and Monday, January 20th.
- Plan ahead—Showcase with additional Talent Show and Science Fair will be held on February 16th. Student tryouts will be held on Friday, January 20th.
- Mobile Dentists will be at JFK on February 17th, February 27th, and March 3rd.
- Please review the District handbook, which can be found on our website at: www.sv99.org. This is where you may review attendance, dress code, extra-curricular, grades, lice and a variety of other important policies for both students and parents.



Please share our thanks with any of the following you may encounter:

- To Mr. Hermes, D'Mitri Young, Mayor Marini and our own Paws for their help with the PBIS December Celebration. To the Spring Valley PD and the SVCCSD Board for their funding of the prizes. To the several private donors for assistance with prizes including the 40-inch TV from D & M Landscaping! The PBIS Coaches are Julie McDonald, Tricia Burkart and Amanda Pelligrini.
- All of you who help support PAWS with your attendance and participation at events/fundraisers
- Student Council for their support of the Hall Township Food Pantry this December—AND—for collecting for Horizon House
- Spring Valley Education Foundation for their support of programs and events for our students.
- Our students for their upstanding behavior and declining discipline referrals.
- To an amazing staff whose focus is on the students and their success!

SO PROUD!!!!

Some of our 6th grade boys' basketball players have been acknowledged for extreme sportsmanship. At the regular season Putnam County Game, our boys allowed the disabled player from the PC team to not only play and score, but to actually "steal" the ball from one of our boys. Their principal called the next day to share his appreciation for our boys. A couple of weeks later, at the 6grade tournament, the same thing occurred again. However, this time, it was the Mendota coach emailing me with his appreciation for our boy's sportsmanship and allowing this PC student some playing time again. The boys are: Mac Resetich, Bennet Schmollinger, Joshua Scheri, Ethan McInnes, Jayden Kirsch and Mickey Pienta. The boys are coached by Ryan Milus.