



YOUNG VIKINGS

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CLOTHING CRITERIA FOR OUTSIDE RECESS winter rules...

Students must have snow pants & boots to leave the asphalt when there is snow or it is wet from snow. If the asphalt is clear, boots are not mandatory. If there is snow on the asphalt, boots are required to even go outside.

Please see your children are dressed properly as we do not wish to keep them from their outdoor, free time.

Please remind them these are the rules and will need to be enforced to keep them dry & keep our building clean.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO SYCAMORE! OUR SCHOOL PLACED 44TH OUT OF 45,236 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS BASED ON STATE ASSESSMENT DATA. WE WERE THE ONLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RECOGNIZED IN THE COUNTY. WAY TO WORK HARD STUDENTS & STAFF!!!



HOLIDAY SPIRIT DAYS:

Wed., Dec. 13 positive message day
Thurs., Dec. 14 Holiday dress up day (music concert)
Fri., Dec 15 Dress like your favorite Christmas character
Mon., Dec. 18 Christmas clothes day
Tues., Dec. 19 Christmas hat day
Wed., Dec. 20 PJ day

Treat Day

Each Tuesday, students can pick a snack...chips, drinks, cookies, donuts, crackers, fruit snacks.

PRICE: 75 cents for one or 3 snacks for \$2

Next Board of Education Mtg:

Mon., Dec. 18 6: @ Hopkins Elementary

A note from Mrs. Modreske:

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who sent in art supplies from my Art Wish List. I really appreciate everything that was sent & it will be put to good use very soon!

Hopkins Epic Toy Drive for Helen Devos Children's Hospital

Please bring donations of any unwrapped toys, games, arts & crafts to the office.

We are having a grade level contest to see who collects the most. The reward will be donuts for the winning grade level.

Please bring gifts in by **December 11!**



Popcorn! Our next popcorn day is Friday, December 15. Just 50 cents a bag!



Positive Message Day...Wed., Dec. 13...wear a shirt with a happy thought, positive message, smiley face, etc.

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Audition Workshop for MARY POPPINS

Thursday, December 14 6:-7:30 p.m.

Auditions open to 4th-12th grades

AUDITIONS:

Wednesday, January 17 3:30-8:

All at Hopkins Middle School



Skate Party

Our next Sycamore H.O.P.E. skate party is:

Friday, January 12

At Byron Fun Spot

6:-9: p.m.

Vikings girls/boys basketball program presents:

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Sat. Dec. 9 4:-8: p.m.

Parents, enjoy a night out or get some shopping done! Let the basketball team watch your Kindergarten-5th grade children.

Check the flier that came home & schedule your time now!

Half Days...

Our half days for the 2023-24 school year are:

- *Monday, January 15
- *Friday, February 16
- *Thursday, March 7
- *Friday, March 8
- *Friday, April 26
- *Monday, June 3
- *Tuesday, June 4

These are 11:10 dismissals.

**MAKE ARRANGEMENTS
FOR YOUR CHILD(REN)
THESE DAYS!!!**

Suggestions given by the Allegan County Health Dept. of "When to Keep Your Child Home":

- *Severely Ill
- *Fever: Temp. of 101F or greater AND behavior changes or other signs and symptoms (keep home until 24 hours fever-free, without use of fever-reducing meds)
- *Diarrhea: no loose stools for 24 hrs. prior to returning==
- *Vomiting: no vomiting episodes for 24 hrs. prior to returning==
- *Rash: with fever or change in behavior==
- *Skin sores (weeping sores that can't be covered with waterproof dressing)
- *Certain Communicable Diseases: may need to be excluded

==These are general recommendations only. Consult physician or local public health department.

Christmas Break:

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NO SCHOOL Thursday, December 21—Tuesday, January 2

Back to school on Wednesday, January 3

The Sycamore Elementary Christmas Music Program
will be held on Thursday, December 14



2nd-5th grade 1:00

3rd-5th grade 2:00

Ski Club

2023-24 Bittersweet Ski Club passes for adults & students are now available. Forms are available at all school offices.

Smens sale is:

Friday, January 12

\$1 per smelly pen!



BACKGROUND CHECKS are required for all who will help in the classroom, attend a field trip, go to Field Day.....be ahead of the curve & fill them out now!
Hpsvikings.org Under "Family Resources"

Next H.O.P.E. mtg: Wed., Jan. 3 6:30 p.m.

Field Trip:

2nd grade Friday, December 15 8:25-11:40

Frederik Meijer Gardens

Only 17 days until
Christmas! We all
wish you a very
Merry Christmas &
Happy New Year!!!

Enjoy this time with
family & friends.

