

SANDHILL E-NEWS

WEEK OF 11/23/2020

MESSAGE FROM MR. JOHNSON:

Hello Everyone!

Wow! What a great first week in our new settings! I've heard great things from our teachers in both settings. Seeing our students in person has been so much fun - their excitement for learning is amazing! Check out some of the pictures from our first week transitioning to Virtual Vikings and In-Person Vikings.



A current area of growth for our in person school community is routines. We haven't all been in the building together for 8 months, instead of a regular 3-ish month summer break. Our students are getting better with school routines with each day that they're back at school. Please take a look at the video below that goes over some of our routines that make our building operate a little smoother. Our K-2 Virtual Vikings are settling into their routines (some new) within their setting as well and our 3-5 Virtual Vikings continue to knock it out of the park!

As always, we appreciate your support and flexibility. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns you have.

Have a wonderful weekend! Remember, it's a short school week next week!

Bob
(Mr. Johnson)

Sandhill First Week/Pick Up and Drop Off





FALL BREAK

There is no school from Wednesday, November 25 - 27. School resumes on Monday, November 30, 2020.



CELEBRATING SAFELY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

This holiday season the safest thing you can do is spend the holidays only with people you live with.



Holiday celebrations must look different this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Public Health Madison & Dane County and SASD strongly urge everyone to stay home and to celebrate the holidays only with people you live with. As cases and hospitalizations have been dramatically rising both locally and nationally over October and November, gathering for the holidays, even if the gathering is small, puts our county and state at risk of overwhelming our health care system.

Here are some ideas of safe things you could do this holiday season:

- Host a virtual dinner or celebration
- Watch parades and sports events from home
- Shop for gifts online and mail them to people
- Play a virtual board game
- Share recipes with friends/family and cook the same meal in different homes
- Order takeout or delivery from local businesses offering holiday meals

For more holiday season information, click [here](#). Learn about forming a bubble or a pod [here](#).



SCHOOL PICTURES

If a student had their picture taken at Sandhill in October, the proofs (or pictures, if they've already been ordered) have been delivered to the Sandhill Office. You can call Ms. Plank at 608-877-5402 to arrange to pick them up. You may also send her an email message to terri.plank@stoughton.k12.wi.us, she can give you the website, the Portrait ID number and Access Code that you need to order pictures online.

FROM THE VIRTUAL DESK OF NHA:

As we enter into the holiday season, some ideas about wrangling your child's [BIG Emotions](#).

To Your (and your child's) GREATNESS, SIGNIFICANCE & HUMANITY...

Amy, Sara Jane, Maggie, and Karla



MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION AT SCHOOL

If your Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd grade student is coming back to school on Monday and they need to have medication at school please call Mrs. Holverson, the Health Aide, at 608-877-5404.

Over the Counter Medications:

Unless your child has a known health condition such as an injury or migraine that would require a pain reliever (like Tylenol or ibuprofen), we are asking that you do not provide these during this school year as these medications could mask (cover up) symptoms of COVID-19. If these medications are needed, please have your child's healthcare provider sign the medication form and indicate a specific timeframe. In addition, if your child needs to have cough drops at school, the medication form will also have to be signed by your child's healthcare provider and indicate a specific timeframe.



REVISED LIBRARY MATERIAL CHECK OUT PROCEDURES

We are continuing to offer curbside pickup for library books. Students can still put books on hold through [Destiny Discover](#) on our E-Library website. When the books are ready, Mrs. Fingerson will reach out to students and families to schedule a contactless pickup. The books can now be picked up in the front office from 7:30 to 3:30. You can come to the front door or call 608-877-5402 to have the books brought out to you. When students are done with their books, families can drop them back off at the front office.



IN NEED OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES?

We want to make sure your family is feeling supported in all aspects during this time.

As your student navigates virtual learning, please let Mrs. McDermot know if they are in need of school supplies (notebooks, folders, writing utensils, etc.). Feeling organized and prepared for their day can make a big difference and help your student be successful!



Additionally, please contact Mrs. McDermot if your family is in need of winter clothing items, information about holiday programs, or any other resources during this time.

Kayla McDermot, School Social Worker – 608-440-0270
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REOPENING FAQ

SELF-SCREEN QUICK SHEET



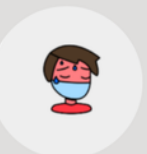
Before sending your student to school, you must screen them.

Answer the question: **Does my student meet one or more of the self-screen criteria listed?** If NO, you may send your student to school. If YES, follow the **Next Steps**.

SELF-SCREEN CRITERIA



Student has tested positive for COVID-19



Student is experiencing symptoms* of COVID-19



Student has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19

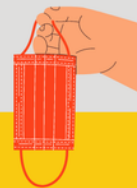
NEXT STEPS

1. Call your school's attendance line to report your student's absence.
2. Fill out the [Student COVID-19 Form](https://stoughton.k12.wi.us) at stoughton.k12.wi.us under the "COVID-19" tab.
3. Contact your health care provider for next steps.

*Symptoms of COVID-19



- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever equal to or greater than 100.4°F
- Chills
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting



SASD REOPENING PAGE

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SANDHILL WFK NEWS & NOTABLES

AMAZON SMILE

Did you know that you can support Sandhill Elementary every time you shop on Amazon? AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones. When you shop at AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to Sandhill Elementary.

SHOE DRIVE HOSTED BY KEGONSA WFK | NOV 9 - JAN 9

Our friends at Kegonsa Working for Kids are hosting a Shoe Drive! Time to clean out those closets for a good cause.

They are collecting any size/style of shoe: men's, women's, kids, sandals, boots, etc. as long as they are in good condition.

Shoes can be brought to Kegonsa Elementary School and placed in the donation bin, or dropped off at any of the following locations:

- Learning Tree
- Nature's Garden
- Fort Littlegreen
- Weebleworld
- Martin Luther
- La Petite
- Viking Day Camp
- Posh Beauty Bar
- Stoughton Tumblers
- Advance America Stoughton Location
- Stoughton Gymnastics
- Fox Prairie Elementary
- SandHill Elementary
- Level Up
- Primal Strength and Fitness
- Pancake Cafe (after 11/27)

ART TO REMEMBER - you can still upload and order!

If you missed the 11/16/20 deadline to upload and order art, there is still an opportunity! The Sandhill Art to Remember site will remain live, so families can continue to upload and order art to be shipped directly to your home.

Please note that since the deadline for holiday shipping has passed, you may not receive items on time for Christmas.

Ms. Ergas has created a [Google Doc](#) that walks you through the steps to participate. Here is a [link](#) to a video that will show you some project ideas you could create

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AT SANDHILL? JOIN THE WFK BOARD!

The Sandhill Working for Kids group is a combination of parents and school staff who volunteer to bring events and educational opportunities to the children and families of Sandhill Elementary. We plan and prepare for all the wonderful events that happen during the school year (during non-COVID-19 times). We also coordinate fundraising events that benefit our Sandhill families. We have raised funds for a variety of things, including Chromebooks, rollerblades, art supplies, ukuleles, and playground equipment. We also organize events for the amazing Sandhill staff throughout the year, including back-to-school breakfast, Friday staff snacks, conference dinner, staff appreciation week, and more.

WFK BOARD MEMBERS

Feel free to get in touch with one of us if you have any questions about Working for Kids.

- [Matt Funk](#), Chair
- [Danielle Kapanke](#), Treasurer
- [Tara Bergeson](#), Secretary
- [Daisy Becker](#), Fundraising Coordinator
- [Lisa Shimon](#), Staff Liaison



CLICK HERE TO REQUEST DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

CLICK HERE TO REQUEST A HOTSPOT

**CLICK HERE TO REQUEST DOOR TO DOOR MEAL
DELIVERY**

2020-2021 SASD CALENDAR

PAST NEWSLETTERS:

[Week of 8/17/2020](#) [Week of 8/24/2020](#)

[Week of 8/31/2020](#) [Week of 9/7/2020](#)

[Week of 9/14/2020](#) [Week of 9/21/2020](#)

[Week of 9/28/2020](#) [Week of 10/5/2020](#)

[Week of 10/12/2020](#) [Week of 10/19/2020](#)

[Week of 10/26/2020](#) [Week of 11/2/2020](#)

[Week of 11/9/2020](#) [Week of 11/16/2020](#)

[Week of 11/23/2020](#)



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