# SANDHILL E-NEWS

**WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2022** 

# A MESSAGE FROM MR. JOHNSON:

Hello Everyone -

Kindness week went awesome! Thank you to our Working for Kids for organizing this. If you would like to join this fabulous group, please see all their information below.



Also, it was so much fun to have our first concert in over two years! The kindergarten students could not have made us prouder!

Below we have information about our state Forward Testing, Summer School (Excel), Dental Care at school, and yearbooks. Check it out!

As always, please reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Enjoy the weekend! Bob/Mr. Johnson

# **SCHOOL REMINDERS**

## FORWARD TESTING (GRADES 3-8 AND 10)

Families, we are entering the spring state testing season. Please click below for more information.

- Forward Letter English Version
- Forward Letter Spanish Version



#### SANDHILL LOST AND FOUND

The Sandhill Lost and Found items from around the school have been on a table at Entrance #1 by the office since parent/teacher conferences. In a short time, it will be taken down and the items will be discarded or donated. Please come to the office by 3/18/2022 between 8:15 and 3:15 if you would like to look through it.



# SUMMER EXCEL IS ALMOST HERE!

Summertime is fast-approaching, and so is Summer EXCEL! Whether your child is interested in the arts, outdoor sports, science, and technology, or getting better at reading and math, we have classes to keep them engaged and excited about learning.



Here's what's new for 2022:

☑Longer hours and during the month of June

Longer blocks of learning

☑Enrollment is earlier and easier

Summer EXCEL is for students entering 4K, all the way through students who are currently in 8th grade. Learn more on our website: <a href="https://www.stoughton.k12.wi.us/our-schools/summer-excel">https://www.stoughton.k12.wi.us/our-schools/summer-excel</a>



Spring into a healthy smile!

RECEIVE DENTAL CARE RIGHT AT SCHOOL:

TUESDAY 3/15 and 3/22!

### **Enroll Now!:**

https://enrollment.bbsmiles.org/

Oral Screening
Dental Cleaning
Fluoride Varnish
Sealants
Silver Diamine Fluoride
Referral Assistance



Open camera app and hover over code above



Services are provided during the day and visits are held throughout the school year.

Bridging Brighter Smiles, Inc. accepts Forward Health/BadgerCare Insurance Only.

Any Questions Please Call Bridging Brighter Smiles at (262)896-9891 or visit

www.bridgingbrightersmiles.org

### SANDHILL YEARBOOKS

You can order a Sandhill 21-22 yearbook using the <u>Lifetouch web</u> <u>site</u>. The Yearbook ID Code is 13445122. The order deadline is March 28, 2022. There are paper order forms in the office.



**WORKING FOR KIDS UPDATES:** 

#### "Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible." Dalai Lama

This week is Kindness Week at Sandhill Elementary! Your child's red folder should contain a Kindness Challenge and kindness sticker (sent home either Friday or today). The challenges do not need to be turned in, but we are hoping they are a fun way to encourage kids to think about easy ways to show kindness and make a difference.



#### **Butter Braids!**

Thank you to everyone who bought a butter braid or promoted them to your friends and family! We raised about \$4,100 and sold 714 items! **The orders will be delivered to Sandhill next week Thursday, March 17,** and we need some volunteers to help with set-up and distribution! Please take a look and sign up if you're able! As a reminder to those who ordered, **pickup is from 3pm to 6pm and all orders must be picked up** as we do not have room to store frozen items!

<u>Sign up to help with Butter Braid distribution</u>

#### **Recess & Lunch Volunteer Sign Up!**

It has been a pleasure having volunteers come into school during the day to help out with lunch recess and lunchroom duty! The Sandhill staff has greatly appreciated the extra sets of hands and the students have enjoyed seeing parents and grandparents help out, as well! Here are the sign-ups for the remainder of the school year. There are plenty of times available!

<u>Lunch Volunteers - March 2022</u>

Lunch Volunteers - April 2022

<u>Lunch Volunteers - May & June 2022</u>

#### March WFK Meeting - Monday, 3/14

Mark your calendars for next Monday, 3/14 for our March WFK meeting. We will be meeting in the school library at 6:30pm, and look forward to seeing you there!

#### **THANK YOU!**

A huge THANK YOU to those who brought goodies for staff snacks last Friday! Your support for WFK and our awesome teachers is greatly appreciated! WFK provides snacks for our teachers and staff on the first Friday of every month, so if you have not yet signed up and want to do so, we still have a couple of months left to help out! Be sure to scroll all the way down to find the current months.

Sign up to help with Staff Snacks!

#### **AMAZON SMILE**

Looking for a super easy way to support our Sandhill community? Please remember to do all your Amazon shopping through the Amazon Smile program so that Sandhill receives a portion of the money spent! It doesn't cost you anything extra - you just need to use this link to start your shopping: <a href="mailto:smile.amazon.com/ch/27-0786272">smile.amazon.com/ch/27-0786272</a>

#### **Box Tops**

The Box Tops program is all digital and is another fast and easy way to support Sandhill! Please consider using the Box Tops app on your phone and select Sandhill School as your school! All you have to do is take a picture of your receipt and Box Tops automatically credits Sandhill for qualifying items purchased! <a href="https://www.boxtops4education.com/">https://www.boxtops4education.com/</a>

#### Mark Your Calendars

This week! / Kindness Week

March 11 / No School

March 14 / Monthly WFK Meeting @ 6:30 pm

March 17 / Butter Braid Pick-Up

March 28 - April 1 / No School - Spring Break!

Make it a great week!

The Sandhill Working for Kids Group

## SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATES

# ANTIRACISM PROJECT: MARCH RESOURCES

We are highlighting three events in March: Women's History Month; World Day of Muslim Culture, Peace, Dialogue, and Film (March 11) and International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (March 21). <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. The purpose of the Antiracism Project is to advance our district's Educating for Equity efforts by providing resources, information, and opportunities to support recognized events, locally, nationally and internationally.



# A REQUEST FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education seeks your input: What are the qualities you'd like to have in our next District Administrator? Take the 31 Qualities survey (<u>English</u>, <u>Espanol</u>, <u>Shqip</u>) by March 27 at 8 a.m.



## THIS WEEK'S NHA MESSAGE:

One of the many reasons that I wish I could go back to when I still had some influence on my children would be to instill in them Maya Angelou's definition of belonging-

"You only are free when you realize you belong no place-you belong every place- no place at all. The price is high. The reward is great."

When I first heard her quote, it made no sense to me until Brene Brown clarified it by defining it against fitting in-

Belonging is being somewhere where you want to be, and they want you. Fitting in is being somewhere you really want to be, but they don't care one way or the other.



This provided me with so much clarity on what I think our kids face on the regular. They know they belong and feel safe when they are with you, but what happens when they leave the house? When they get to school? When they are with their friends?

The possibility exists that your child's desire to BELONG is replaced by just being willing to fit in or to get connections in any way they can because the only other alternatives are to be excluded or worse, ignored.

If we want our children to live in the values that we hold dear and be successful, we need to do more than help them find a group that they belong to. We must intentionally tell them in exquisite detail the greatness we see in them so that they can be strong on the inside, BELONG TO THEMSELVES, and live authentically who they are.

I believe that we all get there eventually. Experience leads most of us to realize that our opinion of ourselves is more important than what others think of us. It took me until my 40's to realize that. How long did it take you? The Nurtured Heart Approach is the tool to help your child live in their own personal greatness and not worry about having to fit in or belong to a group without having to suffer through all the messy life experiences.

It is best said in this interview with Maya Angelou:

MAYA ANGELOU: You only are free when you realize you belong no place — you belong every place — no place at all. The price is high. The reward is great...

BILL MOYERS: Do you belong anywhere?

MAYA ANGELOU: I haven't yet.

BILL MOYERS: Do you belong to anyone?

MAYA ANGELOU: More and more... I belong to myself. I'm very proud of that. I am very

concerned about how I look at Maya. I like Maya very much.

The work of raising humans is super hard but our children deserve to BELONG to themselves and to feel their GREATNESS, HUMANITY, & SIGNIFICANCE...

Amy, (Karla & Sara Jane )

## COVID MESSAGE FROM HEALTH STAFF:

While masking is now recommended and not required at SASD, please note the following:

- Students returning from isolation or quarantine must comply with strict mask wearing for days 6-10. If not able to do so, the student will need to stay home for the full 10 days.
- Masking may be required in the health room: Students may
  be asked to put on a mask for symptoms of illness until an
  evaluation is done and it is determined whether the student
  needs to be isolated/sent home or can return to class.
- View our <u>Student COVID-19 Protocol</u> at any time.



## YOUR VIGILANCE HELPS KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE - COVID-19 INFORMATION

Where can I get tested for COVID? See our new COVID-19 Testing Resource Sheet on our <u>COVID-19 Health & Safety page</u>.



Our SASD COVID-19 Dashboard is available to the public on our <u>SASD COVID-19 Dashboard</u> page. We've updated the dashboard each week of the school year since November 2020.

**COVID symptoms? Call in and stay home!** We know your student doesn't want to miss school, but if your student has symptoms of COVID-19, they must stay home to avoid infecting others. Our <u>Self-Screening quicksheet</u> lists COVID symptoms and what to do if your student has one or more. Remember to screen your child for symptoms every morning and night.

**Using the Student COVID-19 Form:** If a student tests positive for COVID-19, has symptoms of COVID-19 symptoms, or has been identified as a close contact, start by keeping your student at home, calling your school's attendance line, completing the <u>Student COVID-19 Form</u>, then contacting your health care provider. We will help you through the process.

SASD COVID Health & Safety page (Data Dashboard)

# **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.



Student has tested positive for COVID-19



Student is experiencing symptoms\* of COVID-19



Student has been instructed to stay home due to being a close

#### **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. Keep your student at home.
- 2. Call your school's attendance line to report your student's
- 3. Fill out the Student COVID-19 Form at stoughton.k12.wi.us under the "COVID-19" tab.
- 4. Contact your health care provider for next steps.



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

# **DISTRICT FOOD SERVICE PAGE (INCLUDING MENUS)**

## **FAMILY RESOURCES**

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITY INFORMATION (PEACHJAR)** 

School district approved flyers from community organizations.

# 2021-22 SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

#### PAST NEWSLETTERS

August 16, 2021 August 23, 2021 August 30, 2021
September 6, 2021 September 13, 2021 September 20, 2021
September 27, 2021 October 4, 2021 October 11, 2021
October 18, 2021 October 25, 2021 November 1, 2021
November 8, 2021 November 15, 2021 November 22, 2021
November 29, 2021 December 6, 2021 December 13, 2021
Winter Break January 3, 2022 January 10, 2022
January 17, 2022 January 24, 2022 January 31, 2022
February 7, 2022 February 14, 2022 February 21, 2022
February 28, 2022 March 7, 2022 March 14, 2022



# We Are Stoughton.

And we stand strong and committed to **all** of our students, families & staff members.



