The Sussex Star

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Principal's Message



Wednesday, January 16th is an early dismissal for all students. As a reminder, early dismissals for SMS are at 1:26 p.m.

Dates To Remember

January 16-Early Dismissal January 21-School Closed

January 26-Pancake Fundraiser @ Sussex Sit n' Chat Diner benefiting 8th gr. Washington, D.C Trip (7 a.m.-10:00 a.m.)

January 28-End of MP 2

February 6-Report Cards Go Home **February 13**-6th Grade Orientation @ 6

February 21-6th Grade Orientation (snow date)

February 22-Students vs. Teachers 8th gr. Washington, D.C. Trip Fundraising Basketball Game @ HPRHS (doors open @ 6 p.m.)

February 25-27-8th grade scheduling with HPRHS at SMS

Yearbooks for Sale



It's time to order your child's Sussex Middle School yearbook! Hardcover yearbooks are \$18 and can be ordered online only at http://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook_id=37123. Please see the school website or contact Ms. Ralph for more details.

8th Grade Washington, D.C. Basketball Fundraiser



Sussex Middle School 8th Grade Fundraising Committee 2nd Annual

Students vs. Teachers Basketball Game

Please join us for a night of fun as the SMS students take on the SMS faculty to help raise money for the Washington, D.C. trip.

Date: Friday, February 22nd

Time: Doors open @ 6:00 PM, Game

Time @ 6:30 PM

Location: High Point Regional High

School Gymnasium

Admission: \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00

for children

Concession stand will be open for pizza, snacks and drinks.

Half time 3-point shoot-out for additional prizes

All proceeds will help fund the 8th Grade Trip to Washington, D.C. Please join us for this fun event! *Permission slips are located in the back of the cafeteria for students interested in participating.*Students must —have an up-to-date physical on record in the SMS nurse's office to participate. Contact Jenny Craig for details @ (973)271-4808 or craigclan7@gmail.com

8th Grade Washington, D.C. Pancake Fundraiser



Sussex Middle School 8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip Pancake Fundraiser

Date: Saturday, January 26th Time: 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Location: Sussex Sit n' Chat Diner,

Route 23, Sussex

Admission: Tickets \$10.00 per person Children 4 years and under free

Flyers will be sent home with students next week. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door.

Please email <u>ccairns13@gmail.com</u> for more information or for additional tickets.

8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip



Details are being finalized for this year's 8th grade trip to Washington, D.C. The first payment of \$200 was due Thursday, November 15th. We are anticipating that the final payment (approximately \$200) will be due in February.



We are excited to announce that we now offer a new online payment system called PaySchools Central. PaySchools Central provides all parents in our district with an easy way to manage lunch and breakfast accounts. This can all be done in the convenience of your own home through an easy-to-use online portal:

www.payschoolscentral.com

Or while on the go with a convenient mobile app. You will need to register at the link above. Additional information can be found on our school website in the department section under the food service tab or in the parent portal.

If you need help along the way, please contact PaySchools Central at 1-877-393-6628 or email them at: psc_help@payschools.com.

Ski Club



Attention all students who are interested in skiing or snowboarding this season: Mountain Creek has agreed to EXTEND a discounted pricing option until Monday, December 17th. You can still purchase a student season pass for the discounted rate of \$249.99 through December 17th. Also, if your child would like to join the Sussex-Wantage Ski/Snowboard Club, permissions slips are available through Mrs. Klag at the Wantage School and Ms. Ralph at the Sussex Middle School.

To take advantage of the discounted pricing options, please visit: https://mountaincreek.mysnowcloud.com/ Group/Access/06BC7

Our school's unique pin is: CF3.

Realtime. Parent Portal

The Parent Portal is a tool in our Realtime Student Management system that allows parents to have access to their child's grades. Please take a moment to visit our website at www.swregional.org and log on to the Parent Portal. There you can review all required documents, answer questions included in the portal and verify that your contact information is up to date. This information should have been updated in the Parent Portal by Friday, September 21st.

PTO



Please consider joining our District Parent Teacher Organization. It is an extremely active organization that has had a profoundly positive impact on our district.

Nurse's Corner



Please be sure to call the school and leave a message as to why your child is sick on the absentee line. This will allow the school to track trends in illness such as flu and strep throat.

Any student who will participate in a school sport must have the required NJ state sports physical completed. Additionally, students are not permitted to carry medication in school unless cleared by the nurse per NJ state law. Please bring any Inhaler, Epipen and/or other medication, along with a physician order, to Mrs. Anderson as soon as possible. Lastly, please remember to call the absentee line if your child will be absent from school.

Anti-Bullying Series



2019 Anti-Bullying Series

Session 2 - Know the H.I.B. Law (Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying) January 23, 2019 @ 6:30pm

New Jersey instituted the HIB Law in 2011. Come find out what it's all about and the responsibilities of students, parents, and school personnel.

Session 3- Bullying and the aftermath? February 6, 2019 @ 6:30pm

We will discuss the negative and positive effects of bullying. There will also be opportunities to ask questions from mental health professionals.

All sessions will be held in the **Wantage School Media Center** and facilitated by the district's Anti-Bullying Specialists and Coordinator.

Community Events

