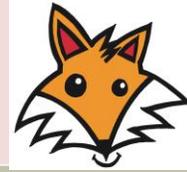


VINCENT M. IGO SCHOOL NEWS AND NOTES

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Welcome back!

We hope all of our students have enjoyed a wonderful start to the school year! It's been a fun and exciting first few weeks. It's been great to be back in the swing and routines of Igo School.

We look forward to a school year filled with growth and accomplishments for all of our students. As we know, strong and positive home-school relationships are critical to the success of students, and we are eager to do our part. Be sure to let us know how we can best support you and your children.

Please note, in order to be environmentally conscious, we will only be sending the quarterly Igo Newsletter electronically after this first edition. Please notify Mrs. Holske, our school secretary, if you are unable to receive the newsletter electronically via email and would like a paper copy sent home each month.

October's Important Dates

October 2nd: Kindergarten Field Trip to Chepachet Farm
October 4th: Picture Day with Chestnut Hill Photography
October 5th: No School - Staff Development Day
October 8th: No School - Columbus Day
October 9th: Grade 1 Field trip to Honey Pot Hill Orchard
October 11th: School Council Meeting - 3:30 pm
October 11th: PTO Meeting - 7:00 pm
October 13th: Fall Festival, 5PM-8PM
October 31st: **Halloween Parade 9:15 am**

November's Important Dates



11/2: BIT Auction
11/9: PTO Meeting, 7pm
11/12: Veteran's Day – No School
11/19 & 11/20 Early-Release Day: Gr. 1-4 (conferences)
11/21: Fall Concerts
11/21: Early Release: Thanksgiving Break – 12:07 pm
11/22: Happy Thanksgiving
11/30: End of Term I (gr. 1 – 4)

BREAKFAST PROGRAM!

The Food Service Department is excited to offer our new A.M. Breakfast Snack Bags for students! The handy zip top bag is very portable for students to bring back to class to eat either at breakfast time, or to save later for a snack. The bags contain a daily featured whole grain item, such as muffins, cereal bars, or wheat cinnamon bun, along with sunflower seeds for protein, milk, juice (both aseptically packed, so no spoilage worries if they get warm) and a fruit serving. It's a very convenient, economical and nutritious value for busy families for only \$1.50. For children who are eligible for reduced priced meals, the cost is .30, and is no cost to free eligible students. Students may use their meal account to pay for the bags, or pay with cash.



Important School Information

Arrival Expectations

Students are expected to arrive promptly for the start of the school day. Doors open at 8:45 am and our day officially begins at 8:50 am. Ms. Siddle and Mrs. Ortiz, our school counselors, will be working with students and parents who may need help with establishing good practices and habits for morning routines. Thank you in advance for your efforts at home to start the school day on time.

Dismissal Procedures

If your child has a change in his or her regular dismissal plans, please send a note to the classroom teacher in the morning. In the case of an emergency, you may call the office and we will notify your child and their teacher. **Please note, however, that we will be unable to accommodate any change in dismissal plans after 2:00 PM each day.** After that time it is difficult for us to ensure that everyone involved can be notified in a safe and timely way. Thank you for your cooperation with this policy.

School Absences and Illness

If your child is sick or will be absent from school for the day, please call the attendance line at 508-543-1691 and leave a message. In order to ensure students' safety, we check the attendance rosters daily. If a child is not present and we have not been contacted, we will call home to be sure that the child is safe. If we are unable to reach you, we will begin calling the numbers on the emergency contact form. If you call the attendance line in advance, it saves us a considerable amount of time and allows us to focus our energies on other important school business.

CORI FORMS

In accordance with Massachusetts State Law and the Foxborough Public Schools policy, we are required to collect CORI forms from any parents or other adults interested in volunteering in the schools. This includes parents who would like to chaperone or accompany their children on a school field trip.

CORI forms authorize the schools to conduct a criminal background check on any individual who may be working with children in our care. CORI forms must be submitted in person to the school office, with a valid form of photographic identification (e.g. government issued).

Nurse News



Please don't forget to send in your Student Emergency medical forms as soon as possible. It was sent home on the first day of school. It is important we have up-to-date numbers on file in case of an emergency. Please keep Mrs. Murray informed of any antibiotics your children may be taking as well as any new medical needs that may arise at any point in the school year. If your child comes to school with a splint/sling/cast/stitches etc., please call Mrs. Murray to report the nature of the injury. Additionally, if they come to school with any type of appliance noted above, you must get a note from their MD detailing their restrictions (e.g. no gym) and when they are able to return to full activity with no restrictions.

*It's important for students to wear proper footwear. Sneakers are typically the best for young students as they are very active during recess and Wellness class. Please do not have your child wear flip flops as they can lead to injuries/accidents.