Sunnyside October 2018 Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Read-At-Home information evening in October

We know that reading at home with your child is important, but what should parents do during home reading time? Teachers of Kindergarten, Grades 1 & 2 will be hosting information sessions with tips and ideas for how you and your child can make the most of home reading time -and have fun! Watch for details from your teacher. Parents of students in other grades are always welcome to ask their teacher for hints.

Report Cards

The interim report cards will be sent home on October 15^{th} , these brief reports give you an overview of how your child has been progressing in the early weeks of the school year. The first full report cards will be available on the parent portal on Parent Night - November 22^{nd} .

Indoor and Outdoor Shoes and warm clothing

All students need a clean pair of shoes to keep at school and wear indoors. This helps to keep our school clean, especially on rainy days. Fresh air and exercise helps brains learn, so we aim for outside recess unless it's really pouring. Be sure that your child has a jacket, sweater and waterproof boots for when it's cold or rainy at recess as well as a spare pair of socks.

School and Supervision Fees Paid

Thanks to all Sunnyside parents who have paid their fees. Last year 95% of our families paid their fees; if everyone pays we can continue to keep our fees lower than most other schools. Although no-one likes to pay fees, they are so important to purchase workbooks, online reading accounts and other materials as well as to pay for supervision at lunch time.

Peanut allergy

A reminder that Sunnyside has students who are *severely* allergic to peanuts. Please make sure you send peanut free snacks and lunches.

Bus Passes

Please note that bus passes will not be given out until the middle of October. A temporary bus pass must be obtained in order for a student to get off a bus at a location other than their designated stop or to take a different bus. To obtain authorization, a <u>Written request</u> must be sent to the school secretary <u>24 hours in advance</u>, and be signed by the student's

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parent/guardian. The temporary bus pass will be issued provided the location is on a regular bus route and if space is available on the bus. A phone call is not acceptable to change buses.

Halloween

In keeping with our Halloween tradition, on Wednesday October 31st, students are permitted to wear black and orange. Costumes get in the way with learning and daily activities at school. We will have our regular non-uniform day on Friday, October 26th.

Perfection fundraising campaign

Please help to take part in this fundraiser to raise money for special materials and field trips not covered by budgets and fees.

This Fundraiser will begin on October 2^{nd} and sales will finish on October 25^{th} .

All of us at Sunnyside School are pleased to work with you and your child(ren) to make this a successful school year. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any concerns or questions you may have.

Steve Weary, Principal Heather Webster, Head Teacher Heather Stratton, Secretary