



Alpine Elementary School May Newsletter

May 2013

Principal's Message

Developing class lists is a complex task based upon each child's academic requirements as well as the child's social and emotional growth. It is a holistic approach, which considers the development of the "total" child. When it comes time to deciding classroom assignment of a student, the professionals who have worked closely with the child for a whole school year are in the best position to make that decision. In addition to continual diagnostic assessment of each child's academic growth, the teachers and administrators observe daily the social interaction of the child. These factors, coupled with the professional expertise in teaching skills and an understanding of instructional goals, produce class lists which enhance the education of each and every child.

School policy stipulates that the final decision regarding student placement is the building principal's responsibility. In the best interest of the total community, and in support of the principal's task, parents/guardians are asked not to submit requests for a specific teacher. If there are **extenuating circumstances** that you would like to bring to our attention regarding your child's placement, **please indicate this to us in writing by May 24, 2013.** The administrative staff will consider this information when placements are made, if it is deemed in the best interests of all students.

Mr. Leone, Principal

Message from the School Nurse

With the changing seasons and warmer weather there are a few things to keep in mind regarding your child's health and safety.

*Proper hand washing is always important. Soap and water and frequent washing are the best defense against germs and infections.

*Tick season is here; please check your child and pets daily for ticks.

*With the warm weather and increased activity outside please encourage your children to keep hydrated. Water is the best fluid to help prevent dehydration

*As your children spend more time outside in the sunlight be sure to protect their skin with sunscreen.

*If your child has seasonal allergies and has a daily medication or eye drops please make sure they receive them before coming to school.

*Should your child need a medication at school please refer to our medication policy or call my office for proper procedures. No medication should be brought into school by a student.

Mrs. Aloisio, School Nurse

PLEASE NOTE:

If you drop your child(ren) off after 9:00am you must drive them up to the main entrance. If the front doors are closed, parents must sign-in their children.

Upcoming Events

May
10th 1st Gr. Assembly – Piccirillo Sciencetellers
13-16th Third Grade NJASK
20-24th Third Grade NJASK (Make-up)
24th Memorial Day Ceremony 10am
27th Memorial Day – School Closed
30th Superintendent Forum at MAS 10am & 7pm

Character Education

This month's character education trait is trustworthiness. It is very important for children to learn to be trustworthy. Trustworthiness is essential to building positive relationships with others. A trustworthy person is honest, reliable, loyal and has integrity.

Mrs. Yanoff, Guidance Counselor

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