

Dear Parents,

This is a very long email, full of important information- so please be patient and read through the whole thing. We want to keep you informed and up to date on all the events going on to help you plan during this very busy Holiday season.

Tomorrow is Veteran's Day and we gave a lesson to the kids about what it means to be a veteran. Mrs. Kim's husband proudly served in Iraq and Afghanistan. Today, she brought in pictures from his tours, medals and his uniforms. The kids were amazed at all the artifacts she brought in.

We had an extra special art lesson with Ashley Cook this week. She is going to help our kids prepare a South American art piece for the Celebration of Learning on November 21st. This week she taught them the 5 basic elements of shapes and then next week she is going to use those skills to create an art piece.

Please try and limit the need to have you child's lunch heated up on a daily basis. Some days it has taken a teacher upwards of 30 minutes to complete all the heat up's. We understand circumstances arise, but please try and limit it.

Grandparents Lunch: At AISU we know the importance of family, especially grandparents! On Wednesday 11/15, Thursday 11/16 or Friday 11/17, AISU will host their "Just Because" Grandparents Days. Students are encouraged to invite their grandparents, an "honorary grandparent" or another special guest to join them for lunch and then to browse the book fair afterwards. Please see the attached document for more information on the event. If your child does not normally eat lunch at school, their grandparent is welcome to meet them here and accompany them to lunch and then browse through the book fair.

Kindergarten Sharing Feast: November 21st-This year we are going to have a Sharing Feast to celebrate Thanksgiving in our class. This will be a regular school day and the feast will take place during school hours. We are asking for each child to bring their favorite snack, enough to share with about 10 friends. Please keep in mind we do have a nut allergy in the class. We would prefer all items be low in sugar and more on the healthy side. Some examples might be: apple slices, carrots and dip, bagels and cream cheese, strawberries, etc.... These items MUST be store bought and in original sealed packing. This is a school wide policy from the State Health Department.

Snack:

If your child's name begins with the **letter L**, it's your child's turn to donate snack for the week. Please remember that we try to have a low sugar (if possible) snack each day. If you are able, please provide a snack for 54 children for at least 1 day during the week. Please be advised, we do have a child with a serious allergy to Nuts!

Upcoming:

November 14th-PTO Meeting @ 6:00 in the Music Room

November 13th-21st -Book Fair

November 17th-Dancing With the Teachers- In the PAC

November 21st-Kindergarten Sharing Feast- Please send in an item to share

November 21st- Celebration of Learning- Come and take a stroll through our class art gallery starting at 3:15

November 21st- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the newly installed playground. 3:15 (YES, the playground is going to be installed)

November 21st- Dragon Dash 5K

November 22-27th- No School

December 2nd-Breakfast with Santa -Hosted by the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization)

December 8th-Movie Night

December 15th -Papa, Pancakes and Pajamas- All students attend the AM session, 8:20-10:15 unless you are enrolled in the all day program. (papa's, take the morning off work now) Pancakes, Pajamas and Papa's Holiday class party. We invite all or any papa's to come and help make, eat and serve pancakes to the kiddos in our class. We also ask for you to send in a **gift wrapped book**. We are going to put all the wrapped books in a circle and play a game and the kids get to win a book for the Holiday. We will send out a sign up for items needed for this event in our first December newsletter.

December 18th-Jan1st- No School

January 2nd- Return to school

Don't forget to check out AISU's new website- www.myaisu.org

Facebook Parent Page: AISU has a Facebook page for elementary families. It's a closed group and you need to request to be added. It's called AISU Elementary K-5th Parents. Send in a request and we will add you to the group. We try and post pictures of kids from our class every few weeks and the school will also post reminders of upcoming events. It's another great way to stay connected!

Have a great weekend!

The Dragonfly Team