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Parent/Teacher Conferences

Thank you to all parents and staff who participated in the parent/teacher conferences held on November 2. We had a fantastic turnout. I've gotten a lot of positive feedback about the structure and format of the day. Any other feedback may be sent to my attention at jsafina@sau83.org.

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be starting in the Elli School Library on Monday, November 9, 2009, and will run through the week. There will be two family events:

Tuesday, November 10, until 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 12, until 6:30 p.m.

Attention 6th Grade Parents and Students

On Wednesday evening we had a parent meeting to discuss fundraising ideas. Here are the fundraisers that were decided on: Gift Wrapping / Bake Sale; Breakfast at Applebee's; and 50/50 raffle. We are still deciding on one more fundraiser.

We will be asking the 6th grade students to help with the fundraisers.

If you would like to be on the email list to receive information as to when we are having the meetings, please either call or send an email to Cathy Herrmann, #642-4913 or herrmann4@comcast.net. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18th, at 6:30 p.m. at Ellis School. We will be finalizing the fundraisers, and discussing starting dates of each of these events. The individuals who have graciously offered to head up the different fundraisers will be looking for help.

SunnyD Book Spree

Please send your SunnyD outer wrappers or cardboard UPCs into school. The joint effort between Scholastic and SunnyD to bring twenty free, grade-appropriate books into school classrooms ends on November 13, 2009. For more information please go to <http://www.sunnyd.com/bookspre/why.html> or contact Faith Levesque at 679-9537.

8th Grade Little Caesar's Fundraiser Extended

The 8th Grade Little Caesar's Fundraiser has been extended until Monday, November 9th. Please see any 8th grade student or contact the Ellis School at 895-2511 ext 105 to place your order.



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Lost and Found

Hooded sweatshirts have taken over the Lost and Found! The next time you are at Ellis School, please take a few minutes to look through the rack of clothing. Unless a first and last name is written on the tag, clothing can not be returned to the owner. **All unclaimed items will be donated to charity on December 4th.**

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Mr. Connor and Mrs. Wentworth's homeroom for winning the pizza party by their participation in Red Ribbon Week. They tied at 82.1 percent participation. Thank you to everyone for a successful Red Ribbon Week and to Mrs. Farrar for organizing it all!

Also, big congratulations to Mrs. Blades for winning the Staff Fall Dessert Baking Contest. Mrs. Blades made her famous Pumpkin Whoopie Pies.

Dress Code

Please remind your children that appropriate dress for school is required. We have had a few issues at school with students not following the dress code. The length of skirts and shorts should be to the child's finger tips. Here is how the dress code reads in our handbook:

It is expected that students, with your guidance, will be dressed appropriately for school. Clothing or attire, which through print or illustration is found to be personally offensive to another student or staff member, depicts or promotes the following, will not be allowed.

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| 1. Drug Use | 5. Violence / Abuse |
| 2. Alcohol Use | 6. Profanity |
| 3. Smoking | 7. Racism |
| 4. Sexual Acts | 8. Sexism |

If a student is found wearing clothing that is inappropriate, he/she will be asked to call you for a change of clothes. Sneakers with wheels are not allowed.

Important Dates

November 11 - No School - Veteran's Day

November 16 - Dwight Davis Visit

November 26-27 - No School - Thanksgiving

December 9 - Chorus Concert at Sanborn High

December 11 - Grades 5/6 - Field trip to Seacoast Repertory Theater to see "A Christmas Carol"

And mark your 2010 calendars when you get them: April 14 & 15: Ellis School Musical "The Wizard of Oz"

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