

SHAFFER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



JANUARY 2017

Smoke Signals

IMPORTANT DATES

- Tues. Jan. 3~School Resumes
Wed. Jan 4~ **2 hour late start**
Teacher Collaboration
School begins at 10:15
Wed. Jan 11~ LCAP Town Hall
Meeting 6:00 p.m. in Room
12.
Thurs. Jan 12~Panda Express
Fundraiser (see
Attached flyer)
Mon. Jan 16~ NO SCHOOL
Martin L. King's Birthday
Tues. Jan 17~ WINTER MAPS
TESTING BEGINS
Tues. Jan 17~PTO Meeting 4:30
in Staff Lounge
Tues. Jan 17~Board Meeting 6:00
in room 12
Wed. Jan 18~ Trimester 2
Progress Reports sent home
Thurs. Jan 26~LCAP Committee
Meeting 5:30 p.m. in Room
12.
Fri. Jan 27~MINIMUM DAY
Teacher Inservice
Sat. Jan 28~Saturday School
8:00-noon

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a good holiday and had a chance to enjoy time with family and friends. As we enter into the new year we are concentrating on academics and preparing for the upcoming spring state testing. Your children will be working on assessments in their classes so that teachers are able to focus on areas of need as we continue implementing the rigorous state standards. We are already nearly halfway through our second trimester of the school year! Please refer to the schedule on the right side of the newsletter for important dates this month. On Wednesday, January 11, we will be holding a very important town hall meeting to generate input from all stakeholders on how best our state funding should be spent to improve student achievement. This is a

meeting where parents, teachers, staff, board members, and the community are encouraged to attend and provide feedback and input as we review data and begin the process for updating the Shaffer School Local Accountability Plan (LCAP). We hope you will plan to attend as we value your opinions and seek your ideas. The meeting will be held in Room 12 beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the school office. Also, we will be looking for parents to sit on the LCAP committee as we move forward on analysis and revision of the current plan. If you are interested, please let me know. Again, we cannot do this without parent support and input and we look to have your thoughts incorporated in the plan. I would like to thank you ahead of time for your consideration. I look forward to a good turnout on January 11th. Have a great January, and again, HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Mrs. Daniels

BEING PREPARED FOR WINTERTIME

PLEASE NOTE: AS THE WEATHER IS BECOMING COLDER IT IS NOT UNUSUAL FOR US TO HAVE TO ADJUST OUR DAILY SCHEDULE DUE TO THE WEATHER. WE TRY OUR BEST TO RUN SCHOOL ON THE REGULAR SCHEDULE,

BUT DEPENDING ON SNOW AND ICE AND THE SAFETY OF OUR BUS OPERATION, THERE ARE TIMES WHEN WE MAY NEED TO CALL A LATE START OR A SNOW DAY. IF THIS IS THE CASE YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY OUR EMERGENCY

PHONE/TEXT/EMAIL SYSTEM. WE ALSO CONTACT JDX RADIO FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS. MAKE SURE TO CHECK THE SYSTEM AND THE RADIO ON DAYS WITH QUESTIONABLE WEATHER. THANK YOU.

Thank you to our Shaffer PTO for all your efforts during the first half of the school year. Your hard work is appreciated. Parents, don't forget the PTO is always looking for new members. Their next meeting is on Tuesday, January 17th at 4:30 p.m. in the Staff Lounge.
****Continue to save your box tops for education. Clip and send in with your children.**

SHAFFER 8TH GRADE NEEDS YOUR HELP



The Shaffer School 8th grade is continuing to earn money for their end of the year trip. They are sponsoring a Panda Express Fundraiser on **Thursday, January 12th**. It's easy. Just go to Panda Express in Susanville between the hours of 4:00-9:00 p.m., present the attached coupon when placing your order, and Shaffer 8th grade will get 20% of your purchase toward their trip. Share the coupons with neighbors, family, and friends. The more who order food and present the coupons, the more \$\$ the class

will make. Your support is **GREATLY** appreciated!!



BOYS' BASKETBALL SEASON IS NOW UNDERWAY

The Shaffer Girls Basketball teams ended their season in December and what a terrific one it was. **WAY TO GO LADY INDIANS!** Now it's time for the Boys' Basketball to kick off. The first game of the season is scheduled for home against South County on Thursday, January 12 at 4:30 p.m. Please come out and cheer on our Shaffer teams. Mr. Bailey will be sending home the weekly schedule with the players and games are posted on the calendar on the school website. Shafferschool.com Here's to a great season for our boys!!!



PLEASE PLAN AHEAD!!

COMING IN FEBRUARY

SHAFFER SCHOOL SPAGHETTI FEED AND DESSERT AUCTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND 5:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.

IN THE SHAFFER SCHOOL CAFETERIA



PROCEEDS TO GO TOWARD THE 6TH GRADE OUTDOOR CAMP AND THE 8TH GRADE END OF THE YEAR TRIP.



BEAT THE WINTER BLAHS AND STAY HEALTHY



WE WANT TO KEEP STUDENTS IN SCHOOL SO THEY CAN LEARN. ATTENDANCE IS VERY IMPORTANT TO YOUR CHILD'S ACADEMIC SUCCESS. HERE'S SOME WAYS TO KEEP YOUR CHILDREN (AND YOU) HEALTHY THIS WINTER!

****In winter, viruses and bacteria abound like snowflakes. Work and school environments test our immune systems. And exercise likely takes a backseat when icicles are in view. But don't despair. You and your family can hang onto good health in spite of the challenges. Here's how.**

WASH UP

Preempt viruses and bacteria by frequently washing your hands—and teach your kids to do the same. Nothing fancy is required. Simply do this: Work up a lather and wash for at least 30 seconds before eating and after you go to the bathroom. Wash under your fingernails too. That's where germs lurk.

CHANGE YOUR TOOTHBRUSH

Use a new toothbrush after you've had a cold, the flu, a mouth infection, or sore throat. Germs can hide in the toothbrush and lead to reinfection.

DON'T FORGET YOUR FEET

Winter's heavy shoes, boots, and socks can take their toll on tootsies, large and small. The best defense: Moisturize your feet daily to keep fungi from entering cracked winter skin and wear socks with synthetic fibers to wick away moisture faster.

STAY HYDRATED

Even if you don't feel thirsty it is important to drink water to keep important nutrients getting to the bodies cells. Drinking plenty of water is important in wintertime, too.

FILL UP ON FIBER

A 2010 study at the University of Illinois found that the fiber in foods like oats, apples, and nuts helps reduce inflammation and strengthens the immune system by increasing anti-inflammatory proteins. The suggested daily fiber intake for an adult woman and children ages 4 to 8 is 25 grams a day. An apple has 3.5 grams of fiber.



Review with your children the appropriate way to blow their noses, dispose of their tissues, and cover their mouths when sneezing or coughing. Every little bit helps as we try to keep us all healthy and well this season.



FUNDRAISING AT PANDA

JOIN SHAFFER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ordering online? Enter this code at checkout to have your purchase support the event.

Code	When	At This Panda Location
224191	Thursday, January 12, 2017 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Hwy 36 & Riverside Dr Panda Express 106 Robs Way Susanville, CA 96130 P.5302578286

Participating fundraiser guests are required to present a valid fundraiser flyer (hard copy or smart phone) with each order to receive credit for the fundraiser. Flyers may not be distributed inside or within vicinity of restaurant including, without limitation to, the restaurant parking lot before or during your fundraiser. Panda Restaurant Group reserves the right to cancel any and all fundraiser events for any reason and/or withhold payment of associated donation funds if the Panda Restaurant Group Fundraiser Guidelines are not followed.



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