Principal: Mr. Rod Kehler

Vice-Principal: Mrs. Kim Koop

January 2017

Numeracy Month at Southwood School

January will be an exciting month for Southwood students. We will be celebrating numeracy month with various activities.

January 12th is our kickoff assembly where students are introduced to all the special activities, and will participate in some movement counting videos.

We will have a daily "drop everything and count" break where students stop and take a few minutes to practice their counting skills. Math books will be featured in the library by Mrs. Koop, and specific books will be read to classes. There will be a math art contest specific for each grade level. Friday January 19th and January 26th will be days of math games where kids rotate through all the classrooms to learn a new math game.

We are excited to have our students further enhance their numeracy skills while having fun.

Feel free to join us on January 12th @ 9:00am for our assembly. This assembly will celebrate numeracy at Southwood School.



The Southwood Numeracy Team

DATES TO REMEMBER

January 2017

- 8 Back to School
- 9 PAC Meeting
- 12 Assembly 9:10 a.m
- 26 Assembly 1:00 p.m.



February 2017

- 2 Inservice NO SCHOOL
- 6 PAC Meeting
- 9 Assembly 9:10 a.m.
- 19 Louis Riel Day-NO SCHOOL
- 22 Assembly 1:00 p.m.
- 17 Kindergarten Report Cards
- 23 Inservice NO SCHOOL
- 26 Chocolate Sales Begins



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Kindergarten Registration for September 2018

A blank form for Kindergarten registration will be sent home in January to all Southwood School families. If you have a child born in 2013 please return the completed form to Southwood School office or call and register your child for kindergarten.

Kindergarten welcome days will be held during the month of May but we need you to return the form sent home or register by phone as soon as possible and before February 9th.

If you have a friend, neighbor or relative who has a child eligible for Kindergarten for September 2018, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible.

Phone: 204-326-3518.



Tumblebooks

http://www.tumblebooklibrary.com

To login at the top right, simply enter the following information:

Username = southwoodelem

Password = reads

ENJOY!



Winter - Be dressed for outdoor activities.

Students need to be dressed and ready to play outside! The morning and afternoon recess are only 15 minutes, lunch recess is 30 minutes. The actual time that the children are really outside depends on how quickly they are able to bundle up! They look forward to this time of socializing and playing in this wonderful fresh snow. Good boots, mittens and a hat—added to ski pants and parka will make all the difference between a child enjoying the outdoors or tolerating it.

The following guideline will be used for deciding when indoor recess should occur:

- -30 Celsius (with wind chill) indoors for all recess'
- -25 to -30 degrees Celsius (with a wind chill) partial recess indoors

In the case of multiple indoor recesses due to cold weather, teachers may choose to take their class outside for a 5 – 10 minute break if needed. At these times, the class will be very closely supervised.



January 2017

From the Library...

We would like to say a huge thank you to all who supported our annual Scholastic Book Fair, from volunteers, to students, parents and family members! Once again it was a huge success!

We sold nearly \$5000 in book fair product and raised over \$2700 in books and resources through Scholastic. This means we can add over 250 new books to our Library Learning Commons and classrooms. Wow!!

Our school is also selling magazine subscriptions through QSP. This is completely optional, and proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards purchasing various school items. This fundraiser will run throughout the entire school year and is accessible online at:

qsp.ca - use our Group ID #3704913

Thank you for continuing to encourage your child's love of reading at home!

"Reading can take you places you have never been before!" Mrs. Karin Koop



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Lost & Found

We have a shelf unit in the main front hallway containing "lost and found" items. We remind students to keep checking the shelves for their lost items. If your students are missing a jacket, mitts, toques, boots and / or other miscellaneous items, please remind them to check the lost and found. At the end of each month, the items that have not been claimed will be brought to the Thrift Store.

Chocolate Sales February 26th
- March 16th.





News from the Southwood PAC...

The Hot Lunch Program will be returning in January!

Our ordering system is going **GREEN!** All hot lunch orders will now by processed online using **MunchLunch.com!**

Notes have gone home with all students, please note that all orders must be submitted by 11:00pm on January 3, 2018. Orders not paid for by the cut off date/time will not be processed.

Online orders may be paid by credit card (Visa/Mastercard). Cheques may also be submitted for payment, and will be accepted at the office until January 8th at 3pm.

Information on our hot lunch program may also be found on the Southwood School website.



A Message from Southwood Staff...



On behalf of the staff of Southwood School, we wish you a wonderful winter break, and a happy new year.

All the best to you and your families in 2018!