Rogers Elementary School

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December 2016 Newsletter

Important Dates to Remember

Thursday, December 1 - Erin's Law Presentation Friday, December 9 - 11:00 am Dismissal, Progress Reports Distributed Tuesday, December 20 - 1:35 pm Dismissal Wednesday, December 21 to January 3 - Winter Break

New Automated Calls

Rogers is now using automated calls to verify your students absence. It is important to verify absences so we know your student is accounted for and reason for the absence. If your student is marked absent or tardy a call will go out automatically at 8:30 am and 9:00am as a reminder to call your student in. Once you call and verify the absence, no additional call is needed and please disregard.

Monthly Munchie

Once a month our M & M crew will sponsor a monthly munchies. This provides our M & M's the opportunity



to practice money and life skills while providing a fun treat for our students. Decembers Monthly Munchie on December 16 is a sugar cookie they get to frost and decorate. Students who wish to participate need to get \$1 to their teacher by December 9.

Holiday Parties

Classroom holiday parties will take place on December 20, 2016 at 12:30pm. Please notify your child's teacher in advance to coordinate helpers, treats, activities and/or crafts. Classrooms are busy places during the holidays. In order to ensure that parties run smoothly and safely we ask that all adult attendees make prior arrangements with the teacher.



Canned Food Drive

We will begin collecting canned, non-perishable items for the North Pekin-Marquette Heights Fire Departments in December. **The class that brings in the greatest number of items will win a pizza party.** Also, any class that collectively brings 50 or more items may wear school - appropriate pajamas on Tuesday, December 20. Please send what you can to help this project. We realize that this time of year is very hectic. However, we appreciate your help.

Erin's Law Presentation

On January 24, 2013, Governor Quinn signed into effect Public Act 097-1147, also known as Erin's Law. In accordance with this law, a representative from Tazewell County Children's Advocacy Center will be at Rogers on December 1st to share with our students about safe touch and body safety. An informational letter with a schedule was sent home with students in November.

Appropriate Cold Weather Clothing

Colder weather has arrived! In general, students will be outside for recess unless it is raining or the wind chill or temperature outside is 19° F or lower. Please be sure that students come to school with appropriate cold weather clothing including coats, hats and gloves.

Winter Break

School will be dismissed at 1:35 on Tuesday, December 20 for winter break. Students will return to School on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.

1st Semester Awards

Semester Awards Assembly is on Friday, January 27 **at 9:00 AM** in the Georgetowne gym. Students have the opportunity to be on the BUG Honor Roll, as well as our regular Honor/High Honor Roll. To qualify for the BUG Honor Roll (Brought Up Grades), students need to maintain their first 9 weeks grades and raise at least one grade.

School Cancellation Due To Weather

On days when it may be necessary to close school or run emergency bus routes, the information will be forwarded to the local radio/TV stations no later than 6:30 a.m. We ask that parents listen to the stations listed below for school announcements. Please do not call the school office. School closing will be announced no later than 6:30 a.m. <u>If the snowy weather occurs after school starts, it is our philosophy not to</u> <u>dismiss school early. Students will be kept at school until regular dismissal unless a major</u> <u>emergency occurs.</u>



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