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"LEARNING AND GROWING TOGETHER"

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Everything you need to know about Meadowbrook Elementary is found on our website: [Meadowbrook](http://www.meadowbrook.hssd.k12.wi.us/)



Fan Etiquette

Parents we need your help! When attending athletic events at Bay Port High School, we ask that you please supervise your children. For the safety of the participants and the fans, we ask that your children do NOT run around in the field house or hallways before, during or after the games. We greatly appreciate your assistance. Thank You!

Mark Your Calendars

Family Read 20 Event

Tuesday, January 16th 4:00pm-6:00pm

4th Grade Field Trip to Madison:

Friday, May 18th ALL DAY (parent(s) welcome to attend)

4th Grade Graduation Celebration:

Friday, June 1st 2:00 pm (Families encouraged to attend)



Did you Know?

As the Board of Education continues to review the Community Task Force recommendations, we are

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Upcoming Events at Meadowbrook

******December 25-January 1 is Winter Break with schools resuming on Tuesday, January 2.* ****

Have you ever been to Ellis Island?

As part of our Immigration Unit, all third grade students will be immigrating to the United States through Ellis Island. We are setting up a simulation of Ellis Island in the Library Media Center, and we need your help!! Would you be available on Tuesday, January 9th 8:30 - 11:00 to help with the Ellis Island Quest? The students will be starting their journey at 9:00.

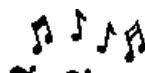
We are asking moms, dads, grandparents and others in our community to help us with this simulation as inspectors, investigators, or doctors. You would be given one of these roles on "Ellis Island" where you would pose questions to the students, check over their paperwork to be certain they have proper identification, or examine them briefly for any illnesses. We want to be certain that these new immigrant families do not carry disease; and that they are capable of doing a job that would be beneficial to the United States. Your parts are scripted, but as you get a feel for the questioning, you may adlib and really get into your role! We mainly ask that you enjoy the day while you help the students pass through Ellis Island. Our goal is for all students get a feel for what it may have been like for immigrant families as they entered their "new world." It is sure to be an experience both you and your child will remember from their year in 3rd grade!

If you would be able to help out, please email Mrs. Wick at michwick@hssd.k12.wi.us.

You will truly enjoy the experience!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tousignant, Mrs. Crabb, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Style, and Mrs. Wick



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reminded of their work and insight into our district. The Task Force members expressed surprise at several facts about the Howard Suamico School District. For example, did you know the HSSD tax levy remains at \$9.19 per \$1,000 of property value for the third straight year; this is well below the state average of \$9.97 per \$1,000 in 2016-17. This fact demonstrates the Board's policy of fiscal accountability to the taxpayers of our district. For more information about the Community Task Force report, please view www.hssd.k12.wi.us/referendum. If you have any questions for the Board of Education, please reach out to your team member located in this article.

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Looking for Leftovers

Did you or a family member receive two of the very same gift? Did you purchase some extra gifts that aren't worth the hassle to return? Do you plan to clean closets and/or bookshelves over Winter Break? As part of our annual Family Read night, we would love to offer each of the children in attendance a new or gently used book to take home. We will also offer some door prizes throughout the event - so please don't donate that extra fleece blanket; or your unwanted gifts to charity- consider donating them to Meadowbrook instead and see for yourself that they will go home with someone who will enjoy them. Donations can be sent to school with your child; or dropped off in the office after Break.



Inclement weather may necessitate the closing or delay of school. If schools are closed this will also include the cancellation of all extra curricular activities and events at the community pool unless otherwise stated. Many local television stations now give you the option to sign up for text alerts; and also feature a listing of closing and delays on the home page of their web site. You will also be notified by phone and email of any closings or delays via the District's automated message system.



Calling All Second Graders

Are you interested in learning how computer animations or video games are made? Do you want to learn the basics of computer coding through fun lessons?

If so, consider joining Meadowbrook's Studio K.I.D!

Students will be introduced to new technologies, programs, websites and apps while also learning computer science vocabulary and online safety.



Grade Choir

Does your child love to sing? If they do, please encourage them to sign up for the 2018 Meadowbrook Choir! Practices will be held on Friday mornings from 8:00-8:25 am; and all 3rd and 4th graders; regardless of their music ability, are invited to join! Permission slips will be sent home with your child; or they can ask for one during their weekly music class. First practice will be Friday, January 12th!

Let's Talk!

with Mrs. VanAsten and Mrs. Heim

Ho-ho-hold the phone--- It's winter break already? That came on out of the blue! For the month of December let's shake things up a bit and talk about idioms. An idiom is simply a combination of words that have a different meaning from their literal meaning. People use idioms all the time (whether they know it or not!). For some students, understanding an idiom can be a grey area; they tend to be literal with what they hear and may not find the humor or the sarcasm in idioms. To help kids understand idioms, simply take the time to explain the meaning behind them - it's a piece of cake! For example, sometimes the holiday season can turn Mrs. Heim and Mrs. VanAsten into a couple of basket cases - meaning we can be so frazzled and excited that we may start acting a little silly or crazy! Idioms are fun to use, and are a great way to expand a child's receptive and expressive language skills. Go ahead, give it a shot. We bet your child gets a kick out of them! As always, if you ever have questions or concerns, feel free to contact us, we're all ears! We hope you all enjoy a peaceful and relaxing break with your family and friends, and we look forward to a wonderful 2017!



Featured Club: Safety Patrol

Did you know that our 4th graders help to make things run smoothly at arrival and dismissal? That's right - they volunteer their time to make sure all students are safe. The next time you are here watch for them in their safety vests and thank them for helping out!

Community Corner

Meetings will be held every Friday from 7:45-8:30 am in the library. Please click [here](#) for the application.

Our schools now use the Activity Scheduler from rSchoolToday as our School Calendaring system. All of the information is updated in real-time. This link [rSchoolToday Calendar](#) walks you through the process to view the events you choose. Once you choose what you want to see on the report it gives the option to subscribe to the calendar.

