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Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians:

With our weather patterns significantly changing from week to week it is important to make sure our students are coming to school with appropriate clothing. For the next week temperatures are supposed to be consistently below zero. Students should be coming to school with winter jackets, boots, gloves and warm headwear. Each day students are expected to go outside for recess and lunch so it is very important that they are able to stay warm.

Flu and cold season has hit us quite hard this year. While our teachers are diligent in maintaining appropriate hygiene practices in class, such as washing hands and covering mouths during coughing, many of our children are falling sick each week. If your son or daughter catches a cold or flu, it is often a good idea to keep them home for a day or two. This allows them time to rest and recover while also helping to minimize the spread of cold and flu germs.

Here are a few important dates coming up:

- Feb 19th-22nd** Cherry Hill Olympics, K-4 Gym
- Feb 21st** The Big Chill, 5-7pm, Library
- Feb 23rd** Pro D., no school for students
- Feb 27th** PAC Movie Night
- Feb 28th** Pink Shirt Day
- March 2nd** 1/2 Day for Students, 11am dismissal
- March 3rd** PAC bottle drive, 10am to 2pm
- March 9th** School Assembly, 9am
- March 12th** Term 2 report cards issued home
- March 13th-15th** Parent/Teacher Interviews
- March 15th** Play Safe Presentation, 10:20 gym,
***Last day of school before Spring Break
- March 16th** No School
- April 4th** School Re-opens

Thanks,
Shane Sliziak, Principal

Kindergarten Registration

Do you or anyone you know still need to register their son or daughter for kindergarten next year? We are currently accepting registrations for next year! Although registration is an ongoing process, it is always best to register as soon as possible. Knowing how many students we will have in kindergarten helps the school plan appropriately for next year. Please bring proof of address and a birth certificate and care card for the registering student. Don't hesitate to call the office if you have any questions.

Cherry Hill Winter Olympics

The Cherry Hill Winter Olympics are well under way. We've completed our speed skating and hockey events already. On Wednesday we have bobsleigh and Thursday cross-country skiing. Parents are welcome to attend our events in our gym to cheer on their son or daughter (weekly schedule was sent on via email). It was great seeing parents at our events today. A big thank you to Anna Abbot and our Olympic Committee (Ms. Leibel, Ms. Roste, Ms. Hodson and Ms. Willock) for making this event possible. A lot of hard work has gone into its planning. A picture slide show of the event will be shown to the entire school at our next school assembly on March 9th at 9:00. As always, parents are encouraged to attend.

The Big Chill: Emotional Regulation Seminar

I would like to remind parents that 'The Big Chill' event is Wednesday, February 21st, from 5-7pm. Parents and children are encouraged to attend. The parent session will run in the library while children have access to games and activities in our Strong Start room. A light dinner will be provided.

Pink Shirt Day

Congratulations to Skylar in Division 7 for her Pink Shirt Day anti-bullying logo design win. Her logo will appear on our custom Pink Shirt Day t-shirts. Thank you parents for getting your order forms to PAC in a timely manner. Our PAC graciously funded half the cost of the t-shirts which is why we were able to offer them at only \$3 a shirt. Because Pink Shirt Day is a day of inclusivity, all students will receive a shirt whether an order form was received or not. If you would still like to pay for a

shirt, we will be accepting orders all week. On Pink Shirt Day we will have a school assembly at 1pm in the gym. Parents are encouraged to attend!

Report Cards

Report card season is quickly approaching. Term 2 reports will be sent home with students on Monday, March 12th. Cherry Hill will continue to use the new District report card template. A few improvements have been made to the template from last term. The district will facilitate a parent feedback avenue following Term 2. Once you have reviewed the report card, please sign and return the envelope. As always, if you have questions please contact your son or daughter’s teacher, or the principal.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews will run between March 13th and March 15th. Like our fall interview session, each division does parent/teacher interviews differently. Information regarding interview structure and times will be sent home from classroom teachers about two weeks prior. Parents are highly encouraged to attend and can always reschedule if the times and dates don’t work.

Upcoming PAC Events

At our last PAC meeting we had a great turnout of parents which was fantastic to see. A reminder to our parent community that everyone with a child at Cherry Hill is a member of PAC with voting power. PAC’s next meeting is April 10th at 6:30. PAC has a few fundraiser events coming up including the movie night on February 27th and the bottle drive on March 3rd from 10am to 2pm.

Great Things at Cherry Hill Elementary



Aimery from Division 12 lighting the Cherry Hill Olympic Caldron.



Division 3 and 12 buddy classes working together on a food decorating activity.



Ms. Abbott and her crew heading off on another life skills field trip.



The Barracudas doing their cheer with Ms. Roste at the Olympic opening ceremonies