



## Hocking Hills Newsletter

### **October, 2016**

#### Upcoming Dates:

**October 5th:** Fall Fundraiser money is due.

**October 6th:** PTO meeting at 6:00 in the gym.

**October 10th:** Picture re-takes. Preschool field trip.

**October 12th:** HVCH will be at Hocking Hills.

**October 13th:** Laurelville Fire Department will be conducting fire safety presentation.

**October 20th:** Bookmobile.

**October 22nd:** PTO chicken noodle dinner.

**October 25th:** Family Literacy Night begins at 6:00.

**October 28th:** End of first nine weeks.

**October 31st:** Inservice day- No school for students.

#### PTO update:

October 5th the PTO fall fundraiser money is due. On October 6th at 6:00 pm in the school cafeteria, PTO will be conducting its October monthly meeting. "Students of the Month" for September will be honored. Also, during the meeting discussion over the October 22nd chicken noodle dinner will take place. All parents are invited.

#### Lifetouch Pictures: (RETAKES)

Just a reminder that Lifetouch picture retakes will be on October 10th. If you have any questions contact the school office.

#### Family Literacy Night:

We would like to invite all students to Hocking Hills Elementary on October 25th. Family Literacy Night will begin at 6:00. At 6:00 students will be able to dress in their Halloween costume and participate in "Trunk or Treat". Hot dogs and chips will be served from 6:00 to 6:45. At 6:45 a naturalist from the state park, Patrick Quackenbush, will then conduct a 45 minute presentation

in the cafeteria. More details will be sent home in the next week.

### Hocking Valley Community Hospital

We are proud to announce that we will be able to continue our partnership with Hocking Valley Community Hospital. Beginning in October they will come once a month and provide fun lessons and activities to our students that promote healthy living. Our first HVCH lesson will be on October 12th.

### Fire Prevention Month:

Just a reminder that October is fire prevention month. Here are a few tips:

- Smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years.
- Make sure you know how old all the smoke alarms are in your home.
- To find out how old a smoke alarm is, look at the date of manufacture on the back of the alarm; the alarm should be replaced 10 years from that date.
- Replace your batteries in your smoke alarm.

Laurelville Fire Department will be at Hocking Hills on October the 13th in the morning to discuss fire prevention with our students.

Bookmobile: On Thursday, October 20th bookmobile will be at Hocking Hills Elementary. Please make sure your child brings their old library book so they can return it and get a new book.

### Attendance, Tardy and Early dismissal:

EXCESSIVE Tardies/ Early dismissals will be filed on in court this year. A letter will be created to request a meeting with the parent once 10 of either, tardy or early dismissals have occurred.

Once a student reaches 20 unexcused tardies and/or early dismissals court intervention will be taken. The only EXCUSED TARDIES/EARLY DISMISSALS are the same as the excused absences. Doctor's note, funeral card, lice check or school related activity.

### Calling office when your child is absent:

Please notify office when your child will be absent. You may do this between 8:30 am and 10:30 am, or by sending a signed note with sibling. This is required procedure as stated in the Missing Children Act. If you are unable to contact the office by 10:30 am you will receive an automated phone call from the school district notifying you to inform the school of your child's absence.

**Please label your students lunch boxes, coats etc.. this way we can promptly return any lost items to your child. Thanks and Go CHIEFS!**

