

A Note from Mrs. González

November 17, 2017



I hope to see you next Monday and Tuesday during conferences!

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

Nov. 20 – 24	NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
Nov. 20	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov. 21	AM Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov. 22	Report Cards available on HAC
Nov. 23 & 24	Thanksgiving Day Observance – OFFICE CLOSED
Dec. 4	Parent Satisfaction Survey OPENS
Dec. 4-8	PTO's Penguin Patch Week
Dec. 7	PTO meeting
Dec. 13	Parent Satisfaction Survey LAST DAY
Dec. 22	Classroom Celebrations/Winter Break begins at the end of the day
Jan. 8	Classes resume



***On behalf of all of us at Anderson Elementary, have a very happy Thanksgiving Day!
We are thankful for the opportunity to be part of your children's educational career!***

You're Invited!



District Coding Night

Inviting all families of students in K~5th Grades! Join us for a night of computer coding! There is no experience needed. Kids and parent teams will tackle self-paced coding puzzles through code.org and will write their first lines of code together! Don't miss this district-wide event!

Code.org is a non-profit organization dedicated to expanding access to computer science. Their vision is that every student in every school should have the opportunity to learn computer science, just like biology, chemistry or algebra. Through their annual Hour of Code campaign, students from all backgrounds learn how to code right where they learn – in their schools

There will be two opportunities for families to attend the coding sessions.

- November 28 at Wredling Middle School - 6:00 -7:30 p.m.
- December 5 at Bell-Graham Elementary School - 6:00 -7:30 p.m.

[Click here to register.](#)

Jim Wheeler Toys for Kids program

The Salvation Army is sponsoring a Toys for Kids program. Toys for Kids was the labor of love for Jim Wheeler, who was also known as the golf professional at Pottawatomie Park. Jim passed away and the Salvation Army has continued this wonderful program in Jim's honor.

You can make a contribution by purchasing an unwrapped toy for a child and placing it in the toy collection box in our main foyer by Friday, December 8th. Toys will be distributed on December 15th and 16th. Please see flyer attached to this email for more information. Thank you for your generosity!

D303 Parent Satisfaction Survey

The annual St. Charles Community Unit School District 303 Parent Satisfaction Survey will be available on the District website from December 4 through December 13. Parents of all District 303 students are strongly encouraged to participate. This anonymous survey takes 10-15 minutes to complete and will be available at www.d303.org beginning on Monday, December 4. Parents can complete one survey for each of their children who attend a District 303 school by selecting "Take the Elementary, Middle, or High School Survey!" The survey is available in English and Spanish.

Student Attendance & Punctuality

In the next few days, I will be mailing the absence and tardy letters to deserving families, as a reminder of the importance of having our children in school. The state of Illinois defines truancy as any student having a 5% absence rate. If you are having trouble getting your child to school, please do not hesitate to contact me at 331-228-2393. Let us work together to ensure the academic success of all our students!

FREE PARENT WORKSHOP:

Grade School Worries:

Identifying and Supporting Your Anxious Child



**Free
Workshop for
Parents!**

Presented by:

Allyse Rehak, MA, LCPC
Riverview Child & Family Therapy

Anxiety in the elementary school-aged child is far more common than you may think. Come and learn about anxiety and how to best support your child toward emotional health.

Tuesday, December 5, 2017

6:30 - 7:30pm

Richmond Intermediate School - LRC

Please return this RSVP to your child's teacher by Friday, November 24th or go to <https://tinyurl.com/ybxl7vlc> and RSVP online.

Your Name(s): _____

Your Child's School: _____

Number of Adults Attending: _____

Office: Please forward all RSVPs to Richmond Intermediate by Monday, November 27, 2017.

From Anderson Elementary PTO:

**Everyone is a hero...
you just need the courage to put on the cape!**

Anderson PTO



Hello Anderson Families,

Some exciting events coming up...

- = The Penguin Patch is starting next month. See flyers below for details!
- = Bouna Beef Family Night is 12/19
- = Clubs will be starting in January... volunteers will be needed =)

Movie Night - Cancelled

We are looking into other options to replace this event in the future

- = Special PTO Meetings are scheduled for:
 - 12/7 (Anderson Welcomes BPAC)
 - 1/11 (Internet Safety/Google presentation with Mrs. Sanders)
- = Email ptotreasury.andersonfoxes@gmail.com if you would like to be added to our contact list for volunteers and donations.
- = And don't forget to clip your Box Tops during the Holiday Season.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving Break!

The logo features a yellow star on the left. To its right, the text "Fund Star, Inc.'s" is written in a grey, sans-serif font. Below this, the word "SIGNATURE" appears in a smaller, purple, all-caps font. The main title "Holiday Shoppe" is rendered in a large, stylized, orange and yellow cursive font with a slight shadow effect.

Dear Students:

In a few weeks, we will be holding a Holiday Shoppe known as Operation Penguin for you and we want you to be the first to know all about it. The Holiday Shoppe is a store that will be set up at school, where you can do your own gift shopping for family and friends. The store will be open during school hours and your class will have its own special time to shop. We will have parent helpers at the store ready to help you if you need it.

There will be lots of wonderful gifts to choose from, all at low prices that students can afford. There will be many gifts just for moms, dads, sisters, brothers, grandmas, and grandpas, to make it easy to find a gift for everyone on your list. You will be able to take your gifts with you from the store.

Start thinking about your gift list now and we will have more details for you soon! Please ask your parents to read this letter too.

Sincerely,

The PTO Board





Operation Secret Penguin Shoppe

Dear Parents:

The Holiday Gift Shoppe, also known as Operation Secret Penguin Shoppe, is coming soon! This is an exciting opportunity for our students to buy special gifts for family and friends in a safe, non-commercial atmosphere. They will learn how to budget money, make choices away from crowds and outside pressures, and will feel really great because they are buying presents themselves. Busy parents also appreciate this service because they know that their children will be buying in a friendly and secure learning environment.

The Holiday Gift Shoppe offers quality gifts for moms, dads, siblings, grandparents, other family members, friends and even pets. Prices will range from under \$0.25 to \$10.00, with most items in the \$1.00 to \$3.50 range. Parents, grandparents and volunteers set up and supervise the Shoppe. We can always use help, and we promise you a lot of fun. A volunteer form will be coming home shortly with all the dates and times.

More details on dates, times and location of our Shoppe to follow. Before the Shoppe begins you will receive a "gift list" envelope for you to fill out for each shopper in your family. The envelope will help our volunteers guide shoppers with their buying.

We know you will find The Holiday Gift Shoppe a great convenience to you and a positive experience for your child(ren) in the joy of giving.

