~ REMINDER: No School – Friday, October 7 – School Improvement Day No School – Monday, October 10 – Columbus Day

- ~ KICK-A-THON: THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Anderson School students raised \$1,039.57 to sponsor me and to contribute to the 2016 Kick-A-Thon!!!!
- ~ PERFORMANCE SERIES ASSESSMENTS FOR 3rd & 5th GRADE STUDENTS: Please see attached letter regarding this assessment the district is using for the Academic Talented identification process.
- <u>**ERIN'S LAW:</u>** As you know, Erin's Law requires public schools to provide prevention-oriented child sexual abuse program in all grade K-12. Please see attached letter for more information.</u>

~ D303 PROPOSES MIDDLE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS:

Middle School Facility Upgrades to be Complete by Fall 2019

September 20, 2016

St. Charles Community Unit School District 303 District Administration will propose a plan to the Board of Education that will improve the District's middle school facilities by upgrading Thompson and Wredling Middle Schools. If approved by the Board, the plan would modernize and expand Thompson and Wredling Middle Schools. When the improvements are completed in Fall 2019, District Administration estimates the closing of Haines Middle School will result in an operational savings of \$2.4 million per year.

The estimated cost of the middle school improvements is \$50 million and would be paid for through a combination of existing funds and the issue of bonds that do not require a referendum. Details of the District Administration plan will be presented to the public at the following meetings:

Thursday, October 20 Haines Middle School 7 p.m.

Monday, October 24 Wredling Middle School 7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 25 Thompson Middle School 7 p.m.

The three meetings will contain the same content and can be attended by anyone in the community who wishes to attend at their convenience.

The Board of Education will consider the middle school plan at the following meetings:

Thursday, September 29 BOE Business Services Committee 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 11 BOE Regular Meeting 7 p.m.

Thursday, November 3 BOE Special Meeting TBA

Monday, November 14 BOE Regular Meeting 7 p.m. at North H.S.

All meetings to be held in the Board Room of the District 303 Administration Building, 201 South 7th St., St. Charles IL 60174 unless otherwise noted.

<u>~ DENTAL SCREENINGS:</u> The State of Illinois requires that all Kindergarten and 2nd grade students submit proof of having had a dental exam. The Smile Illinois Mobile Dentists Program will be at Anderson School on Monday, November 14th. Your child will receive a dental exam at no cost if covered by Medicaid or All Kids Insurance. A copay (if necessary) is required for those with dental insurance. If your children are signed up to see the dentist, please make every effort to see that they attend school on Monday 11/14/16. The dentists come to Anderson School only once a year.

~ FROM OUR PTO: October Calendars will be coming home with the fliers for the month.

Cherrydale Fundraiser called Pawsome will be coming home around October 6th. PTO meeting October 5th at Anderson in the teacher's lounge at 6pm. Please come to see what we are doing for October and Mrs. González will share the School Improvement Plan for the school year. Parents we would like to hear from you and hear what you have to say about the school year so far.

Volunteers - Always looking for volunteers. Please contact us via our general mailbox which is pto.anderson@gmail.com.

Spooktacular is coming up on October 28th from 6pm-8pm. We are very excited about this event and hope you all can make it.

Thank you from your PTO Board.

Nov. 24 & 25 Thanksgiving Break

DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:

Oct. 5	PTO meeting
Oct. 7	SIP Day – NO SCHOOL
Oct.10	Columbus Day – NO SCHOOL
Oct. 17	Book Fair Week
Oct. 18	Book Fair Family Night
Oct. 20	Picture Re-Take
Oct. 28	Parade and Classroom Celebrations/PTO's Spooktacular Fest
Nov. 2	PTO meeting
Nov. 6	Daylight Saving Time Ends
Nov. 11	End of First Trimester
Nov. 14	Smile Illinois Program at Anderson
Nov. 21 & 22	Parent/Teacher Conferences
Nov. 23	Non Attendance Day

Have a fabulous weekend!



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September 2016

Dear Parents,

Between October 3rd and October 14th, 2016, 3rd and 5th graders will be taking the Performance Series computer adaptive assessment. The test has one section for reading/ELA and one for math, approximately 40-50 minutes each.

Performance Series results will be used in the Academically Talented identification process and is the externally validated measure of content knowledge. Classroom Profile reports may be used by teachers to adapt and plan future plans for instruction.

The results of your child's performance on these tests will be posted in HAC and/or available at your school. We appreciate your support of our academic program and your partnership in facilitating your child's learning.

More information about this and other assessments in D303 can be found at http://district.d303.org/assessment-accountability

Please feel free to contact your building principal or me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Melissa Byrne

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9/30/16

Dear Anderson Families,

Erin's Law, named after sexual abuse survivor Erin Merryn, requires public schools to provide a prevention-oriented child sexual abuse program in grades Pre K- 12. This year, all schools in District 303 will continue to implement Erin's Law, utilizing the Child Protection Unit of the *Second Step* resource.

Between now and the end of the school year, several lessons will be facilitated by our school social worker and our school psychologist, along with the classroom teacher. The lessons will address identifying safe and unsafe touch, private body part rules, and learning ways to stay safe.

For more information about Erin's Law, you can access a short video at the link below. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nxPcB8sWBk

If you have any questions, please call me at 331-228-3300.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs. González Principal