



THE OPEN SCHOOL MISS SHELLY'S NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING DATES

October 13 – Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. via ZOOM

October 21 – Half day (District Wide) 11:30 Dismissal at Open School
Parent Teacher Conferences Begin

October 22-23 – No School

October 30 – Halloween Class Parties

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher conferences will begin October 21. This is a District Wide Half Day – 11:30 dismissal here. We are closed on October 22 and 23 as well, the same as District schools. Conferences will be held via ZOOM this fall, hopefully we will be able to meet in person for our spring conferences. I will be sending out a sign up just like we had for open house, where you can choose a 10-minute time slot if you would like a ZOOM conference call. The teachers will be providing a data sheet prior to the conferences for your review. If you do not want to participate in a ZOOM, the teachers could correspond via email or a phone call as well.

Maintenance Day

Our fall maintenance day is normally in October in coordination with the UW Big Event, where we prep the school grounds for winter. The Big Event is cancelled this year, but if you would like to pitch in with other odd jobs as they come up this fall, please let me know to be added to our maintenance list. Thanks!

Developmental Screenings

Developmental screening results will be in cubbies soon. If your child did not get screened, you can contact Developmental at any time to arrange a screening. You can also contact them with any questions once you receive the results from a screening. Their number is 307-742-3571.

Halloween Classroom Parties – October 30

Your child's teacher will be letting you know what activities are happening for Halloween in their classroom. Costumes are allowed, but we will still ask everyone to wear masks/face coverings as normal. Each class will have their own party that day. If your child does not normally attend Fridays, you are welcome to bring them to any specific class parties. Your child's teacher will let you know times and details soon.

Raffle

Our spring raffle fundraiser was put on hold due to COVID-19. We are going to be resuming this raffle as an online auction. We are working on getting this up and running, and we will share the link for you to bid on items and share the auction with friends, coworkers and families to participate as well!

Popcorn Fundraiser

Our popcorn fundraiser through Popcornopolis will be coming before Christmas. We will be passing out flyers for you to sell popcorn as well as a link for you to share for people to order online for shipping of popcorn orders. It will be scheduled for delivery right after Thanksgiving so you can use the popcorn for holiday gift giving.

Scholastic Bookfairs

We normally have 2 book fairs in the office each year. This year we will have the fall book fair as a virtual fair in November. You will be able to order books for delivery prior to Christmas. The classrooms also send out book order forms regularly. Book orders benefit the school directly. Classroom orders give the teachers points to purchase books for their classrooms. Book fairs give the school points to purchase bigger items – like our great circle time carpets, bookshelves, and new learning materials.

Winter Weather

Please remember to send your child with coats for our chilly mornings. We will continue to play outdoors all year, so layers and warm clothing is essential. Lost and found is in the office by the front door if your child has misplaced anything.

Drop-Off/Pick-Up

Please remember to check your child in/out with the ProCare app each day. If you forget, let us know so we can check them in/out for you. The app doesn't let you check them in/out if you are not physically at the school. The children are checked in on clipboards with teachers in the classrooms when they arrive, so we know they are present, but the app check in helps us with billing and health screening attendance.



Enrichment

Monday afternoon – music with Miss Willow

Tuesday afternoon – Yoga (beginning in October)

Wednesday morning – Spanish with Miss Elizabeth

Thursday afternoon – art with Miss Tasen

Friday afternoon – library storytime (virtual) and 1x a month UW Art Museum (virtual) with art activity

Amazon Smile

A simple way to support the school is to choose Open School as your charity of choice on Amazon. Simply log in to Amazon through smile.amazon.com and then search Open School as your charity. We will automatically receive a percentage of profit based on your order. (Order details are never shared, just a donation made by Amazon to us). It is sometimes tricky to remember to go through the [smile.amazon](https://smile.amazon.com), but it is an easy way to benefit the school.

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Lesson Plans are posted weekly on the website under the Lesson Plans tab

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COVID-19 Update

Governor Gordon has extended health orders once again, and nothing has changed that will impact what we are doing currently. Health screenings, mask wearing, sanitizing, and having staff and children stay home when they aren't feeling well have helped us be able to make it this far. We appreciate all of the efforts you are doing to help keep our school family well. Keeping your child home when they aren't feeling well and have symptoms on the screening list are important measures. We have a long cold/flu season ahead, and this measure will continue to be of utmost importance. Please check with your health care provider if you are questioning whether your child should receive a COVID-19 test. Any staff that have symptoms are being asked to stay home as well, and check with their health care providers. The Open School is asking staff to be tested as recommended, and quarantine as recommended. We hope that we can continue to navigate through this fall. Albany County is having a surge in cases, and we will continue to do our best to mitigate the risk at the school.

Jack-o-Lantern Juice

Ingredients:

2 cups frozen peaches

1 carrot cut into chunks

2 medium banana

1 cup plain yogurt

1 cup milk

Instructions

Use a sharpie to draw jack-o-lantern faces on two clear plastic cups.

Add all ingredients to a blender and blend well.

Pour smoothie into cups and serve immediately

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