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Sageville Elementary Newsletter

December 1, 2016

From the desk of Miss Mac:

We learned some life lessons from our guest author, Tim Smith, AKA Buck Wilder on Tuesday:

Don't be afraid to make mistakes!

The best part of the pencil is an eraser!

Do what you love!

Persevere in whatever you do! You will get better!

Mr. Smith shared his life story with our students and how he started as an author and illustrator. He said it actually started in many of his "time-outs" as a child. His mother gave him a pencil and piece of paper in his time-outs and he went from there. Next time you give your child a "time-out", give him/her a piece of paper and pencil. You never know, it could be another author in the making!

From the date of this newsletter, we have 15 school days until winter break. Let's make it a very productive 15 days!

Calendar of Events

Monday-December 5

6:00-8:00 PM Skate Country Free admission with a canned good (bring these to school). Inline or Quad rentals available. Thanks Sageville PTC!

Tuesday-December 6

3:30 Tennis Practice.

Thursday-December 8

3:30 Tennis practice 7:00 PTC Spring Fling Planning Meeting at The Barn

Friday-December 9

9:45 Late Arrival Scrip orders are due

We need your help! Sageville Browine Girl Scout Troop 7427 is collecting pet supplies for our local shelters. You can donate pet food, pet treats, pet collars, leashes, kitty litter, pet toys, and dishes. We will start collecting supplies on Monday, December 5th through Friday, December 16th. A collection box will be located near the office. Thank you for your support of our local pet shelters this holiday season! Girl Scout Troop 7427



Friday Focus:

 Teachers will continue the journey of learning & understanding the reading lowa Core.





Smoke Alarms Save Lives!

If your smoke alarms are more than 10 years old or you need new smoke alarms, Dubuque Firefighters and Red Cross of Northeast Iowa will install them for you, free!

To sign up for free smoke alarms and installation:

City of Dubuque residents: call 563-589-4195

Outside of Dubuque Residents: call 563-564-4566 or

go to www.getasmokealarm.org

*Fire Marshall McMahon asks that this information is shared with elderly friends, family and neighbors as they are most vulnerable. Thank you!

Fire Marshal Mike McMahon met with PreK, K & 1st Graders this week.

Counselor Corner...Mrs. Kaiser

During the week of November 28th – December 2nd I have been working with small groups. In my third grade school success group we discussed the difference between a **growth** or **fixed** mindset. In my first grade group we talked about what makes a family and how families can be made up of different people that are important to us. My first grade mindfulness group ended this week and the students shared what techniques they will utilize to sustain attention in the classroom. My second grade school success group read the book <u>Your Fantastic Elastic Brain</u> and learned how the brain sends messages. Next week I will be in grades kindergarten thru second focusing on communication skills.

<u>Tips for Parents:</u> Operation New View has some great programs to help families thru the winter and holiday season. Click here to view all services http://www.operationnewview.org/programs/ Or read below for assistance during the holiday season.

Bundle Up: The weather is changing daily. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately. Many are still coming in sweatshirts only. It will be black-top only for students who do not have snow pants or boots for the playground area.

PTC Discount
Cards & any
sales are due to
the school office
tomorrow, Friday,
December 2nd!

Scrip orders are also due tomorrow.

Scrip makes great holiday gifts! The next order date is **December 16th.**

