

SAGEVILLE



12015 Sherrill Road
(563) 552-4300 Phone
(563) 552-4301 Fax

Sageville Elementary Newsletter

November 17, 2016

From the desk of Miss Mac:

Are you at a loss for keeping up with your child's use of technology? Let common sense media be your guide. Common Sense Media offers a wide range of resources not only for schools and teachers, but also for parents. There's an entire section dedicated to Parent Concerns. Topics include screen time, privacy and internet safety, Facebook, Instagram, and Social, Cell Phone Parenting, and let's not forget, Learning with Technology!

"Learn how to spot the good stuff, find the right product for your kids' needs, and foster a love of learning." Topics are broken into Preschoolers (2-4), Little Kids (5-7), Big Kids (8-9), and Tweens (10-12). Check out the Top Common Core Games and Apps to "find grade-specific tools, tips, and ideas to boost kids' grasp of Common Core standards outside the classroom."

Are you considering getting your child a cell phone? Be sure to read article under Cell Phone Parenting section, entitled, "What's the right age to get my kid a cell phone?" And learn what can you do as a parent if your kid texts constantly. Finally, learn about your child's digital footprint by evaluating whether or not it is safe to post pictures of your kid online.

Check out common sense media to help you guide your child to make good digital decisions!

Calendar of Events

Monday-November 21

1:05 Celebration Assembly
7:00 PTC Meeting

Tuesday-November 22

Progress Reports go home
2:00-Gr. 3 Kids on the Block

Wednesday-November 23

District Professional Learning
No School

Thursday-November 24

Happy Thanksgiving
No School

Friday-November 25

No School



Sageville Student Council counting Presidential Voting Ballots

District Focus:

- Staff will learn more about strategies to help English Language Learners learn.
- Staff will be participating in the data driven dialogue focusing on student work.
- Staff will be learning more about reading in the Iowa Core.



Volleyball was a big "hit" at Sageville School! Tennis is next.

Counselor Corner...Mrs. Kaiser

During the week of November 14th-18th I have been working with small groups. In my third and second grade school success group we discussed things that make us successful at school and things we may need to work on during our time together. In my first grade mindfulness group we explored techniques that we could utilize in the classroom to help us stay focused. We also concentrated on our breathing and how to clear our thoughts. In my kindergarten group we started to explore what it means to have a growth mindset and how our brains act like a muscle. Next week I will continue to work with small groups.

Tips for Parents: 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.

Santa's Helper helps keep Christmas in the family by connecting families in need with sponsors during the holiday season in Dubuque County. People in our local community sponsor a family and provide gifts for them during the holiday season.

Additionally, there will be a toy giveaway December 17th, 2015 from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Colts Bingo Hall for families that did not sign up for a holiday program anywhere else. Toys will be available for children 12 years of age and younger and families should bring a box or garbage bag with them to carry the toys in. To be eligible to pick up toys, families must bring social security cards for every member.

Interested in sponsoring a family or volunteering for Santa's Helper? Please contact Mary Billmeyer at (563) 556-5130 ext. 12 or mbillmeyer@operationnewview.org to learn more.



Some gentle reminders from DCSD Transportation:

Please remember that a request for an alternate pick up and drop off must be made 3 days in advance with approval from the principal. Thank you!

No food is allowed on the bus.



Buck Wilder is coming Nov. 29th!

AUTHOR BUCK WILDER IS COMING TO SAGEVILLE!

Author Buck Wilder, who has written 10 wonderful children's books about the outdoors, outdoor adventures/safety and animals, will be coming to Sageville School on November 29th! He will do an all school presentation from 9:30-10:45, followed by a book signing in our library. Students can preorder books now through November 23. The order form was sent home in Thursday folders. There are 10 available titles: 4 hardcovers for \$16 each and six paperbacks for \$6 each. All checks must be made to Buck Wilder Books. If you have any questions about ordering books, please contact Mr. Dyer (jdye@dbqschools.org). Also, we are encouraging students and staff to dress up on November 29 in their favorite outdoor wear (camouflage, hiking/fishing/camping clothing, etc.)