



GO HAWKS!

Prairie Central CUSD #8

Westview Elementary School

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September 2011

Westview School is full of
SUPER HAWKS!

Last week, we kicked off our new behavior incentive program called Super Hawks!

The three basic expectations for all students is: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe

On Sept. 22 & 23, students participated in our Super Hawks Training Camp where they were introduced to and practiced the behavior expectations and procedures for different areas of the school including:

- Bus Safety
- Hallway Behavior
- Lunchroom Procedures
- Playground Safety
- Restroom Behavior

Our goal is to reward positive behavior.

When a student is "caught" being responsible, respectful and safe, they receive a Super Hawk Ticket and enter their name into a weekly drawing for prizes.

Now that all students know the rules, procedures, and expectations, they will be able to practice being respectful, responsible and safe throughout their school day.

DATE	ACTIVITY
Thurs. Sept 1	PTO Meeting 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Fri. Sept. 2	Fundraiser Kick Off - Catalog Sales Begin!
Mon. Sept. 5	No School – Labor Day
Tues. Sept 6	Market Day – Pick Up Orders
Tues. Sept 6	Begin Regular Dismissal Time of 3:08
Sept 7 - 8	AIMS Web Fall Benchmark Testing for K-4
Thurs. Sept. 8	Assembly – Windy City Players presents Tom Sawyer 1:30 – 2:15 pm in the gym
Thurs. Sept. 8	PTO Family Potluck & Picnic 5:30 – 7:00 pm North Park Pavilion – bring a dish to share
Fri. Sept. 9	Flower Show, 4 th grade 10:00 – 2:00 In the Learning Center
Mon. Sept. 12	ISU Strings Project Presentation 3 rd & 4 th gr.
Sept 15 – 21	Scholastic Book Fair in Learning Center
Tues. Sept. 15	Open House 6:30 – 7:30 pm Book Fair 3:00 – 8:00 pm
Fri. Sept 16	St. Jude Math-A-Thon Begins – 3 rd & 4 th
Tues. Sept. 20	Assembly - The NED Show 2:00 – 2:45 in gym
Tues. Sept. 20	Fundraising Catalog Orders and Money Due
Thurs. Sept. 22	School Picture Day
Fri. Sept. 23	Homecoming, dismiss @ 1:38
Thurs. Sept. 29	Early Dismissal @ 2:08 High School P/T Conferences
Thurs. Sept. 29	Market Day Orders Due
Fri. Sept. 30	1 st Quarter Progress Reports go home
Fri. Sept. 30	Positive Behavior Reward – Field Trip to North Park

**PTO Meeting TONIGHT -
September 1, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
EVERYONE is WELCOME!**

**PTO Meetings for 2011-2012
Will be held on
the following dates:**



September 1, 2011
October 6, 2011
November 10, 2011*
February 2, 2012
March 1, 2012
April 12, 2012

Child care is provided!

*There are no meetings scheduled for
December and January.

**Congratulations to our PTO Officers for
2011-2012**

Becky Marten - Co-President
Rachel Vercler – Co-President
Jennifer Schultz – Vice President
Amy Lewallen – Secretary
Jayne Trowitch – Treasurer

Market Day

Anyone can order so tell your
neighbors and friends!

NEXT Order PICK UP Day:
Sept. 6, 4:30 – 5:15 PM

Orders for this delivery date are due:
Sept. 1

Future dates:
October 4, 2010
November 1, 2010
November 29, 2010

Market Day is a fundraiser sponsored by our PTO.

Order forms are available in the school office or
you can order on-line at: www.marketday.com
Please use the school account # 9851.

Proceeds from Market Day are used to enhance the
learning environment of our school. This includes
sponsoring field trips and assemblies.

Absences:

Please call the school office by 8:30 am if your child will be out of school. Please provide the reason your child is not at school.

If you do not call the school, the law requires us to make 3 attempts to try to contact you and to ask the reason for the absence.

If we do not reach you or a reason is not provided, it will be marked as an unexcused absence.

After 4 unexcused absences or 10% of any type of absence, we are required to mail a letter to you about truancy.

After 8 unexcused absences, we are required to make a referral to the truancy officer.



We held our first evacuation drill on Friday, August 26th and students did a fantastic job of evacuating quickly and safely.

This first drill always takes place near the start of the year. We will hold several more drills throughout the school year. Some drills will be unannounced.

Please remember, if you are in the building when we have a fire drill, **EVERYONE** is required to evacuate.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Immunizations
and
Physical Forms

are due by
October 15, 2010

for all kindergarten students
and students who are entering school
for the first time.



Our main PTO fundraiser this year is through the Market Day Company. Market Day offers a catalog sale, much like other companies we have used in the past. The difference is that they also offer an on-line component.

Watch for more details later this week!

Westview School and Prairie Central
T-Shirts and Sweatshirts are on sale now!
Order forms are available in the school office
and are being sent home with students.
Orders are due by Sept. 2.
We will accept late orders until Sept. 12.





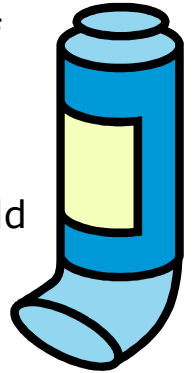
Medication at School

In order for a student to take medication at school, we must have a Medication Authorization Form signed by the parent AND doctor.

If a student must take medication while at school, an ADULT must bring the medication to the school office WITH the signed Medication Authorization form.

It is a violation of school policy for a student to carry prescription or non-prescription medication to school. This includes over the counter medication such as throat lozenges and cough drops. A violation of this policy may result in suspension from school.

Students who require an inhaler or Epi-Pen may be permitted to carry these items at school. Please see the school nurse if your child uses either medication distribution tool or if have questions about this policy. A Medication Authorization Form is also required for inhalers and Epi-Pens.



Help Keep Kids Healthy!

Please remind children to wash their hands frequently-

- Before eating
- After using the toilet
- After sneezing
- After coughing
- After wiping their nose
- After playing outside
- When hands are visibly dirty

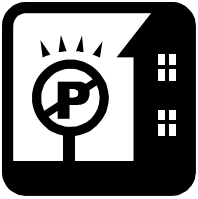


Health Reminder

Children with a fever of 100 degrees or higher are not allowed at school.

Children must be **free of fever** for 24 hours, *without* a fever reducing medication, before they can come back to school.

Please do not give your child a fever reducing medication and send them to school. This spreads illness to others.



Morning Drop Off

Students may enter the building after 7:15 am. Morning supervision begins at 7:15. Please do not drop students off before 7:15 am.

The circle drive is a drop off zone. For the safety of pedestrians, please do not drive on the sidewalk. If you wish to walk a student into the building, please park in a parking space. Do not park in the circle drive.

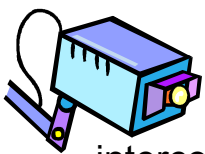
Handicapped spaces are for vehicles authorized to use a handicapped space. Please do not block these spaces.

Vehicles should only be in the circle drive long enough to let passengers get out. When possible, passengers should exit the right side of the vehicle.

Try to say your good-byes before getting to the drop off point so passengers can exit the vehicle without delay. If someone is taking more time than usual to drop off, please be patient. We are all working with young children and “things happen” that cause delays.

Impatient drivers who pull out of line and drive around others only cause a danger to students and pedestrians in the parking lot. If you are an impatient person, please allow yourself more time so that you do not have to hurry through the parking lot at drop off time.

Safety is our first priority.

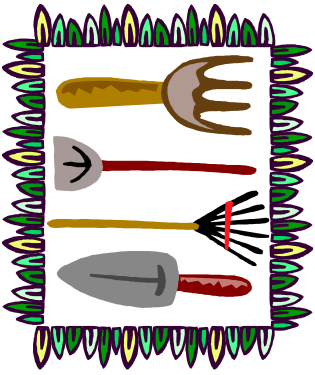


Security at Westview - Westview is a secure building. All visitors should enter through the front doors. To enter, visitors will need to stand in front of the camera and ring the doorbell. Office staff will answer through an intercom stating, “Welcome to Westview. May I help you?” Visitors should identify who they are and why they wish to enter. The door will then be released for the person to enter. Once in the building, visitors should come to the office, sign in and wear a visitor’s badge throughout their stay.

Reminder:

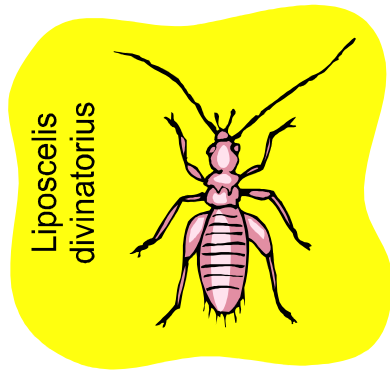
It is *illegal* to talk on a cell phone in a school zone.





Thank you to retired teacher, Karen Harms, for taking care of the planting area in the circle drive and flag pole area!

Karen has spent many hours this summer planting, weeding, and watering the gardens.



Head Lice Season

We have already had a few cases of head lice this year. Please check your children on a regular basis. If you find nits or live lice, please treat your child.

A child with head lice will receive a 1 day excused absence. Additional days are considered unexcused.

Contact your family doctor or pharmacist if you have questions about the treatment process or recommended products.

Head lice are very common and are easily transferred to others. Please make sure your child does not share hair accessories, combs, brushes and hats with others.



**ALL WESTVIEW FAMILIES
ARE INVITED!!!**

PTO Family Potluck & Picnic
Thursday, September 8th
5:30 – 7:00 pm
North Park Pavilion

A flier will be sent home with additional details.