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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Season's greetings to all! Winter has arrived with full force, and as we cozy up in our homes and schools, I'd like to highlight the dedicated efforts of our third to sixth-grade students who are diligently preparing for The Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA). Our teachers have meticulously analyzed data to inform their instruction, resulting in personalized learning experiences for students. From project-based learning to student-organized environments and various educational centers, our focus is on ensuring every student feels successful and is well-prepared for the ongoing learning journey.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration dates are coming soon.

For any information or questions about registration please visit the district website at www.carlynton.k12.pa.us or contact Kimberly Cail, District Registrar, with any questions, at 412-429-2500 ext 1125.

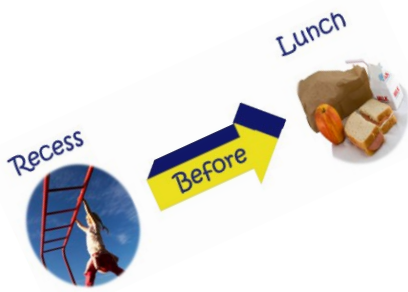


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RECESS AND LUNCH



Do you have a few hours to spare during the day? Do you want to make some extra cash? Do you want to be part of a great community? Apply today and be a lunch/recess aide at Crafton Elementary.

How can you help reinforce recess expectations?

It is always helpful when parents reinforce the expectations that are set for our students during recess. Here is some common language that might be beneficial when starting discussions.

- ◇ Remember when recess is indoors, a voice level of 1 or 2 is expected. Voice level 1 = a whisper to your neighbor. Voice level 2 = normal talking voice.
- ◇ Be respectful and remember to use good manners with the recess monitors and other peers.
- ◇ Invite everyone to play. If you see someone sitting out, ask them to play with you. You never know—you could make a new friend today.



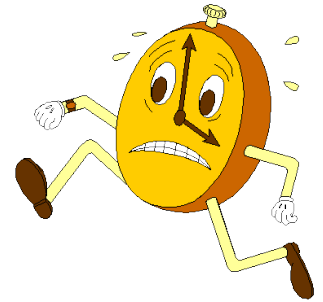
Exciting news from the PTA February Events:

- ◇ 7th—PTA Meeting at 7 pm in the Crafton Elementary Library
- ◇ 14th—Valentine Mini Golf
- ◇ 16th—90s Flashback PTA Day
- ◇ 19th—No School
- ◇ February 29th—Spring Family Night with Book Fair and Ranger Program
- ◇ February 29th-March 1st—Spring Scholastic Book Fair

HAVING PROBLEMS GETTING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL ON TIME?

Are there some reasons why your child does not get to school on time?

- ◇ Your child won't go to bed at night or get out of bed in the morning
- ◇ Your child can't find their clothes, books, homework, school bag. . .
- ◇ The school lunches are not ready
- ◇ Homework is not done
- ◇ Your child is slow to eat breakfast
- ◇ Your child is watching TV when they should be getting ready for school
- ◇ It's your child's or someone else's birthday
- ◇ There is a test or presentation at school today
- ◇ Your child is screaming or not letting go of you



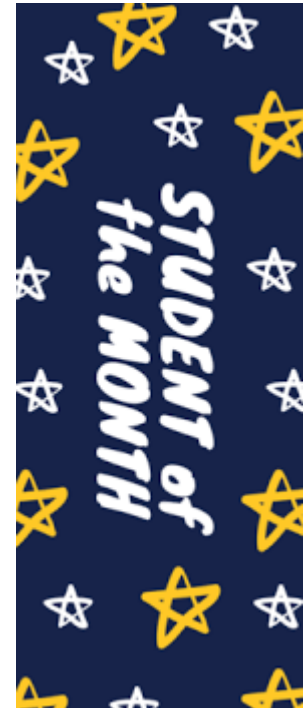
Things to Try

- * Have a set time to go to bed
- * Have a set time to be out of bed
- * Have clothes and school bag ready the night before
- * Make lunches the night before
- * Have set time for starting and ending breakfast
- * Set a time each day for homework. Try straight after school with the TV off so your child can relax for the rest of the night and have a reward when finished
- * Turn the TV on for set times and only if appropriate
- * Be firm that children must go to school
- * Give your children lots of positive encouragement and acknowledge that they are organized and get to school on time
- * Be firm: a birthday does not equal a holiday
- * On arrival, look for some of your child's friends and encourage your child to go and talk with them
- * Once settled leave quickly

Regular Routines Are Important

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

January	Name of student
K	Eliza Eibeck Alexandra Stewart-Kemp Greyson Stewart
1	Charlotte Ely Izabella Mckenzie Ciara Schaffer
2	Regina Kapur Sophia Rzotkiewicz
3	Luna Sizemore Easton Kuban
4	Ellie Hough Jayce Golphin
5	Sarah Varghese Corinne Coppler
6	Jenna Hussain Parker Mangan



- ◇ Remember that arrival time is a busy time. All drop offs should go through Cougar Alley. This is located behind the school. Any walkers or bus riders can enter through the front doors. This will alleviate any students being dropped off on the wrong side of traffic and any unsafe situations.
- ◇ When using the parking lot across the street, remember to cross at the crossing guard. This is the safest way to cross during the busiest times.
- ◇ To promote our wellness policy, students should only have water in their water bottles. Sodas, Gatorades, etc should not be given to students for classroom drinking.