

Sullivan Primary

National School of Character



I hope that you and your family had a wonderful holiday season. We appreciate all of the cards, gifts and holiday treats that were sent to the office.

We are looking forward to 2012 and all the educational gains ahead. Second semester is the time of year when students begin to expand on skills taught during the first semester. It is typically exciting and fast paced. Your child is sure to make lots of progress. Please continue your academic support at home.

Thank you,
Mrs. Cindy Carey

CHARACTER EDUCATION

"Always Take the High Road"

The character word for the quarter is "Honesty". We will be giving examples and discussing honesty. Please help us by talking about honesty at home. We will be reciting the Character Pledge and Character Song each morning during morning assembly. Thanks for your reinforcement of our Character Education lessons! You are helping your child for a lifetime!



Please update all phone numbers needed to contact you. The Alert Now automated calling system will be used to notify you if school is dismissed early due to bad weather.

SIX FLAGS READING CLUB

Six Flags six hour reading club begins and is due back on February 24th. Forms will not be accepted after the due date. This is a great incentive for your child to read to you each night.

Kindergarten Registration

Thursday, February 16th

7:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Primary School Library

You will need to bring your child's:

birth certificate

immunization records

social security card

vision screening record

proof of residency

your driver's license

Your child's kindergarten screening date will be set at this time. Screening will take place at the Primary School Wednesday, April 18th and Wednesday, April 25th.

If you need further information, please contact:

Sullivan Primary 468-5446

Children do not need to be present for registration.

Song for the Quarter

(Tune: Little Teapot)



Honest is the way I want to be
I won't keep something
that doesn't belong to me
and I'll always tell the truth
just wait and see
Yes, honest is the way to be!

REPORT CARDS

Report cards will be sent home on Friday, January 6th. Third quarter is a difficult time for some students as the curriculum becomes more challenging. Please pay close attention to your child's papers and continue to read each evening. We will have parent/teacher conferences the first week of March (5-9) to discuss progress and/or concerns.

...WHERE CHARACTER BEGINS



DATES TO REMEMBER

- January 6 Report cards to go home
- January 16 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
- January 24 PTO Meeting - 6:30 @ SES
- January 25 Early Dismissal
- February 16 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION
- February 17 NO SCHOOL
- February 20 NO SCHOOL - President's Day



UNITEDSTREAMING ACCESS

Students, along with their parents, have access to Unitedstreaming at home. This allows you to view Unitedstreaming movies from your computer.
<http://www.discoveryeducation.com/>
 username: **pslibrary** password: **lablab**
 At the top of screen, click on DE Streaming for access to videos 24/7.

**NO SCHOOL - MONDAY, JANUARY 16th
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**



Reading

If your child is just beginning to learn to read you can help by:

- ▶ Practicing the sounds of language. Read books with rhymes. Play simple word games.
- ▶ Helping your child take spoken words apart and put them together. Help your child separate the sounds in words, listen for beginning and ending sounds, and put separate sounds together.
- ▶ Practicing the alphabet by pointing out letters wherever you see them & by reading alphabet books.

If your child is just beginning to read you can help by:

- ▶ Pointing out the letter-sound relationship your child is learning on labels, boxes, newspapers, magazines and signs.

Listening to your child read words and books from school. If your child is reading you can help by:

- ▶ Rereading familiar books.
- ▶ Building reading accuracy: As your child is reading aloud, point out words he missed and help him read words correctly. If you stop to focus on a word, have your child reread the whole sentence to be sure he understands the meaning.
- ▶ Building reading comprehension: Talk to your child about what he/she is reading. Ask about new words. Talk about what is happening in a story.

EDUCATION FUNDING GROUP CARD PROGRAM

The Sullivan School District is sponsoring the Education Funding Group Card Program. The students will be selling EFG cards for \$10 which entitles the buyer to **15 Buy One Get One Free** offers from local restaurants and businesses in our area. The Education Funding Group Card Program provides funding for educational projects and activities which are not within the budget of the District. The proceeds from the fundraiser will be used for all of the students in the Sullivan participating schools and will go towards such things as teacher grants, educational activities and school enhancements. Card sales will begin on Thursday, January 6th and run through Monday, January 17th. An envelope will be sent home on Thursday that will explain all of the details of the program. Thanks for your support.



LabelsForEducation.com

100 Point Bonus in the January Paper!

Labels for Education will offer a special collection sheet for bonus points in your newspaper on January 8, 2012. Completed sheets need to be turned in by March 23rd.

If your child has lost any clothing items please check our lost + found. Several items have already been donated to the mission.

RECESS
 The primary students will go out to Recess each day unless the temperature or the wind chill is 20 degrees or below. The fresh air and exercise is good for the students. Please send your child with a coat, hat and gloves. LABEL all items with your child's name for easy return if lost.

LOST & FOUND

The Speech-Language Pathologists will be offering free informational sessions discussing speech, language, and play development. Listed below are the dates and topics to be discussed. If interested please contact Sullivan Primary - 468-5446 to reserve your spot.

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| February 16 | 9:00 - 10:00 | Speech & Sign Language |
| March 1 | 9:00 - 10:00 | Language & Story Books |
| March 15 | 9:00 - 10:00 | Social Skills/Play (Primary Level) |
| March 29 | 9:00 - 10:00 | Social Skills (Elementary Level) |
| April 12 | 9:00 - 10:00 | Using technology to facilitate speech and language skills |

All sessions will be offered at SULLIVAN PRIMARY SCHOOL.

