



# JANUARY/FEBRUARY NEWS



**Southeast School**  
Evergreen Park, IL

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## Mrs. Wolverton's Newsletter

### Happy New Year!

Dear Southeast School Family,

Now that we are back into the swing of things here at school, I wanted to share with you a few things that we have been doing since our return. In the first full week of January all of our students were given the AIMSWEB assessment. This assessment is used to monitor your child's reading fluency and comprehension of a given passage. We have also begun our second round of MAPS testing. The Measure of Academic Progress assessment is also used to assess academic growth over the course of the school year. On February 19<sup>th</sup> the results of both of these assessments will come home with your child.

The end of the second quarter was on January 22<sup>nd</sup> and report cards will come home with your child on January 29<sup>th</sup>. Please make it a priority to discuss your child's progress with them and set goals for the third quarter. Set goals according to your child's strengths and weaknesses. The ultimate goal should be that your child works to his/her potential.

### Monthly Character Traits

Our character education word for the month of January was "RESPONSIBILITY." Your child discussed this word in school and we encourage you to talk about how important this character trait is.

During the month of February, students will focus on "Caring and Valuing Others." By focusing on both of these character traits during our weekly Character Education time, we are hoping that students see the connection between positive character traits and being successful in school.

### Cook County Health Department and Mobile Dentist

Both the Cook County Health Department and the Mobile Dentist were at Southeast School during the month of January. Many of our students were inoculated and visited the Illinois Mobile Dentist.

While students are in school, we must make every minute count. If your child is sick, please do not send them to school. Students with fevers of 100 degrees or higher will be sent home and should remain home for a period of 24 hours. A few precautions that should be taken are:

- ✓ Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue with you cough or sneeze.
- ✓ Wash your hands often.
- ✓ Avoid touching your eyes, ears, and nose when sick. Germs are easily transferable.

## Afternoon Pick Up

Most recently, I have received complaints from parents ranging from parking related issues to adults not being kind to one another during afternoon pick up. It is important that I remind our families how important it to be mindful of our students and their safety as we pick students up after school. We expect all students to use the crosswalk and follow the direction of our crossing guard. Please do not double-park and we ask that all drivers adhere to the expected rules of the road.

## Winter Reminders...

- **Please call the school if your child will be out for the day. To report an absence, please call 708-422-1201, then press 6.**
- **Dress for the weather!** When we are able to get outside, students will go outside if it is 32 degrees or warmer. Please have your child wear their hats, mittens, and winter coats to school.
- **Winter weather and Indoor Recess-**Winter months often lead to indoor recess days! If your family has "gently used" board games and puzzles that you are no longer using, please consider donating them to your child's classroom for indoor recess enjoyment.



## Eagle Expectation Corner

**Currently 94% of our students faithfully follow our 3 B's. Our 3 B's are very important. Being respectful, responsible and safe is what makes our school GREAT!**



## Upcoming Events

January 29<sup>th</sup> Report cards home today  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> Institute Day-No Students  
Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> PTA Meeting-S.E. library at 6:30  
Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> DARE Graduation-S.E. 5<sup>th</sup> Graders 10:00 a.m.  
Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> No School-President's Day  
Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> PTA Founder's Night 7:00  
Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> D124 School Board Meeting-7:00  
Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal-11:30  
Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> Kindergarten Registration at S. E. 9-11 and 1-2:30