

## **CTE NEWS**

## with Mrs. Crosley

## Nine students complete babysitting classes to receive certificates

Students attended classes after school in September with Nebraska Extension agent Ruth Vonderohe. Students were taught child safety procedures, how to get help in an emergency, safe foods for children and what information they should have from the parents. Students were given the opportunity to make simple toys that could be used to entertain children while babysitting.









Toys to tots, made by students.







#### AIR ROCKET



**KAZOO** 

After completing classes, 9 students were given a backpack to keep their babysitting information and supplies in and a babysitting certificate!



Left to right Jazelle Bickerstaff, Sidney(Yamni) Tuttle, Renee Lasthorse, Phalynn Rouillard, Tierahnee Tuttle, Aleigha Wabasha, Malaya Starlin, Marisol Whipple, Lupe Rodriguez

#### Our community has a great group of babysitters.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

We are very proud of you.

## SEPA Science Camp

SEPA Science Camp was held at UNL in Lincoln this summer. Three students, Adelia Rodriguez, Bradley Strickland and Hoksida Wabasha attended the camp held on the university campus. We stayed on campus from Sunday June 10 until June 13th when we headed back home. We spent time working in the science lab building flexible robots. There was time to discuss reptiles and students were able to hold various snakes, turtles, frogs etc. The students were given a number of furs/hides and then identified what animal belonged to which hide. We also studied and performed experiments with water purification through a chemical process using algae to separate the impurities out of the water. Then there was the hike to Salt Creek and the plan to preserve this natural section in the state of Nebraska. We made ice cream with liquid oxygen, shot ping pong balls out of beakers, blew up rockets. If you want more information talk to one of the three students that attended the SEPA Science Camp.

Ms.Kay



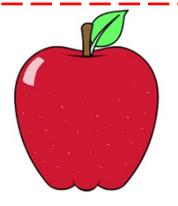








Little Warriors PreK Three Year old Room Ms. Tashina, Ms. Jess, & Mrs. Laci



Our Classroom Newsletter

The three year old theme is "Apples." We are learning

where they come from, the anatomy, and the different types of foods that we could make with apples. The students have done many crafts and we tasted the different colors of apples to see if they were different in taste because of the color. We are enjoying the apples theme and all the Apple based areas throughout our classroom.

As young students we have also been learning about SOCIAL SKILLS. Studies show that children with good social skills do better in school. We learned that friends are the people we know, talk with and have fun playing with. We talked about how to be a good friend by talking to our friends in a nice way, inviting our friends to play with us, taking turns with toys and working together in helpful ways.

Please take the time to have a conversation with your Little Warrior and ask about our classroom events! I know the students have been working hard at learning new routines, getting to know others, and being great friends. I am super proud of the great progress these students have shown.

(Apple Orchard Dramatic play & Apple Print Trees)







#### **Elementary Special Education:**

Hello Family and Friends of Santee Community Schools!! Happy Fall Ya'll! We have been busy as the year continues to move along, way too fast! In the elementary we are continuing to move forward. We have implemented the EIR (Early Intervention Reading) and Corrective Reading interventions to help our students become more successful on their reading journey.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us at Santee Community Schools 402-857-2741 and we would be happy to help. We are:

"Proud To Be Team Santee"

Growing Together Child Care has two new staff this year, Becky Newcomb & Georgie Denney. The children love the care they get from them.







# 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE NEWS

## SEPTEMBER 2018

## TEACHER'S CORNER

Hello! The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders have been working hard and they continue to impress us each day! In social studies we practiced our cardinal directions (north, south, east, west) outside on the basketball court. The kiddos did a great job! Mrs. Steffen



## BIRTHDAYS

October 5 - Urijah Starlin

## WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

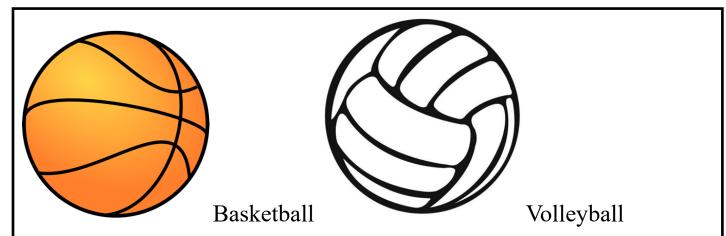
•Reading - story: Different, author's purpose

•Word Work -ch words, complete sentences

•Math - comparing numbers

•Science - animal classification (mammals, amphibians, fish, insects, birds, reptiles

•Social Studies – rural, urban & suburban communities



The 4 year old room has started a ball study. We are learning about what is inside a ball, how balls can be used, ball weigh differently, and have painted with balls. We are learning how to bounce a ball and count. This has been fun. We are learning about new words like: wrecking ball, heavy, sphere, explore, and compound words. We are working on how to share toys and how to ask for a toy that we would like to play with. We are learning with Mr. Folkers on how to introduce yourself to someone else. October is right around the corner, please remember to dress for the weather. Some dates to remember for October: 5 out at 1:30 if changes will send notes home October 8: NO School

October 10-NO Preschool-Staff workshop October 17 out at 12:00 Staff workshop 1-4 October 18-Field trip to Poppy's Pumpkin patch-Norfolk



MOVIES WITH BECKY AND KEN

OPEN LIBRARY 5-7PM

THURSDAYS OCTOBER 4 -HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA OCTOBER 11 -HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 2 OCTOBER 18 -HOTEL TRANSYLVANIA 3

SNACKS PROVIDED

## STEM with Mr.Chambers











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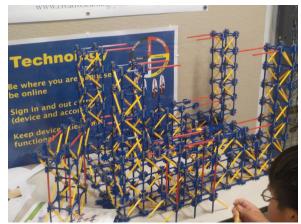
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#### **Music Notes**

Anpetu waste, friends and family! We are busy in the music classroom this fall. Younger musicians are finding their voices; learning songs in English, Thai, and Dakota; dancing (ask your 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>nd</sup> graders about Sawatdee Tuh Jah!); and working on soft and loud dynamics. Fourth grade has begun to play recorders, and the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade beginning bands are learning their first notes and working on Go Big Blue. I hope to add them to the Warrior Pep

Band that plays at some of our home games! Fourth grade has also been learning the National Anthem and determining some of their personal anthems. Members of that group sang at the last home volleyball game. Great work, performing musicians!!

Middle school musicians are working on a beautiful two-part song about trying to fit into your surroundings – "Waving Through A Window" from the Dear Evan Hansen musical. They are working in band ensemble during the other day each week that I see them.

High school is comprised of multitalented musicians, many of whom play multiple instruments and sing. We have Garageband composers (and Mato's song "U" was featured on the Career video that played at Parent-Teacher Conferences), pianists, Native flute players, and a big band that I am hoping to feature at multiple home games this year. Please encourage your students, who must be dedicated enough to practice their parts again and again as they work to improve, and must be brave enough to showcase their work in public. I admire their work each day!

#### Upcoming Events

#### Niobrara Valley Conference Choir Clinic: Monday, November 5, 5:00pm

High school choir will soon be preparing for NVC conference clinic on Monday, November 5, in Stuart. This is a great chance to sing a variety of classic and fun new repertoire with a huge choir, and learn some skills from a music teacher other than me. The performance will be in Stuart this year, and all community members are encouraged to come hear the impressive choir! Parents, if you want a ride to the evening concert, please let me know so we can prepare a vehicle and driver.

#### Warrior Choir, Dakota Flag Song, and Warrior Pep Band

Calling all musicians! At every home varsity game, we need singers for the Star-Spangled Banner and the Dakota Flag Song, as well as band students to play Go Big Blue, Seven Nation Army, and other pep tunes we learn throughout the fall season. Please come join us!



2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Class doing "Sawatdee Tuh Jah" line dance!



2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Men standing tall before the dance.



Mato and Yaya practicing during Lessons class.



8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band playing Go Big Blue!

## Fab Five

The Fab Five of Third Grade have been learning up a storm! We have been focused on tornadoes, hurricanes, and volcanoes. The Fab Five have amazing "I wonder" questions! Earlier they did reports on a scientist of their choice. We had two Zoologist, Herpetologist, Ichthyologist, and Volcanologist. Our whole class (teachers included) were AMAZED at how much money some of the scientist make! Needless to say, the Fab Five are definitely considering these occupations.

I would like to thank you for having such polite and helpful children. They are truly a joy to see and teach everyday. They are trying their best and rising to my expectations. Third grade is a very challenging year and they are showing us daily that they are learning and growing. Keep up the great work and please come in and visit our aspiring scientists!

Mrs. Hrbek and Ms. Donna



You are Invited to Title 1 Reading Family Night!!! Wednesday, October 25, 2018 5:00pm Santee Schools-Multi-Purpose Room For PK-6th grade families Join in the fun with: Reading Activities, Halloween Games, Meal and Door Prizes!!!!



#### **Elementary Guidance**

This past month, we started the Second Step program here at Santee Community Schools.

PreK-3rd grade is working on skills to be good learners. This includes Ears Listening, Eyes Watching, Voices Quiet, and Body Still. If you ask your child, they will be able to show how these skills look, and I am pretty confident they can tell you why we need to use these skills. They are doing a fantastic job! These are skills that as adults, we can work on ourselves.

4th-6th grade have been working on Respect and Empathy. Respect is a positive feeling or action shown towards someone or something considered important. This could be a parent, teacher, brother, sister, anyone or anything. We have been doing exercises and activities which help us to show respect. One lesson they have learned is the Golden Rule. As your child if they can tell you what the Golden Rule is, I am sure they can all recite it for you.

Empathy is understanding how someone feels. I have used the phrase "try walking in someone else's shoes." Often times, we pass judgment on people without really knowing them, or not taking a step back and trying to understand how someone feels, as we have felt that way as well. If we see someone with a smile on their face, it is hard as a human, to not show that same emotion back to them, that is empathy.

I'm very proud of the work these students are putting in to become better learners, listeners, and most importantly, good human beings! Be proud of them as well!

Go Warriors! Mr. Folkers

This past month, student who were interested in Student Council had to submit an application on why they wanted to be on Student Council. It was opened to grades 6-12, and then chosen by Mr. Folkers, Mr. Hoffman, and Mrs. Nagel. We have a great group of kids here and I am really looking forward to see the things they do! They have set standards for the members to follow, and they know they are held at a higher standard than other students, as they are seen as the Leaders!

#### Mr. Folkers

Mato Thomas	12th Grade	President
Stefani Johnson	12th Grade	Vice President
Natalia Lopez	12th Grade	Secretary
Michael Hoffman	12th Grade	Representative
Deonna Rave	12th Grade	Representative
Adonis Strickland	12th Grade	Representative
Hannah Sheridan	11th Grade	Representative
Antonio Hoffman	10th Grade	Representative
DaWayna Wabasha	10th Grade	Representative
Octavio Phillips	9th Grade	Representative
Aleigha Wabasha	8th Grade	Representative
Jason Freiburghouse	7th Grade	Representative
Hoksida Wabasha	7th Grade	Representative
Benny Bickerstaff	7th Grade	Representative
Wendy Archambeau	6th Grade	Representative
Renee Last Horse	6th Grade	Representative
Jazelle Bickerstaff	6th Grade	Representative
Tnay Brown	6th Grade	Representative

#### Fabulous Fourth Grade!

Our fourth graders have been busy bee's during the month of September! We completed our MAPS tests and all of the students gave it their all and did a fabulous job! In reading, we have been focusing on the elements of literature and learning new vocabulary words! In math, we are continuing to focus on rounding and the properties of addition.

Our class pet, Norman the Hedgehog, has been having some great weekend adventures! I enjoy hearing about all of the fun adventures he has with the students!

We have a great bunch of students this year and we look forward to all the fun that October will bring!

As always, please do not hesitate to Icontact me at the school!

Mrs.Crossman

1st - Leondis J.

4th - Wendy A.

5th - Urijah S. \* Winona W.

7th - Natalia L.

9th - TaSunka S. \* Roberto H.

14th - Brandon C.

15th - Benito B.

16th - Lluvia U.K.

20th - Payton F.

25th - Jayceon H. \* Akeam D.

29th - Elliott S.

30th - Kellen M.

**OCTOBE** BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday

To You From

Santee Community School



### **Elementary Principal Corner**

It is hard to believe we are approaching the end of the first nine weeks of school. Staff and students are working hard not only on academics, but also on positive language and actions.



We enjoyed hosting our first Community Night – emphasizing one of our four "C"s – Careers. We hope you were able to attend and watch the video that features some of the great learning taking place at our students working in our two STEM labs. These labs allow learning within a different exploration environment. Students work through a variety of career-based launches exposing and developing them to 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. Please stop in at school and visit our labs – the students have built bridges, made music recordings, robotics, 3D characters, storybooks, and many more products.

Once again, the Warrior Improvement Team is looking for community members to join our voices in guiding our school to greatness. This team is made up of various members from all entities of the school. We are looking to add two community members. We meet every first and third Wednesday and could connect virtually with you if that works best. Please look at the attached sheet for additional information and application.

Please make sure you check our Santee website for upcoming dates, events, and information. We love to have you visit the classrooms to support your student's learning. Please call and set up a time with the classroom teacher.

## **Upcoming Dates**

Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> – Early Dismissal 2:15 – Football and VB home games & Picture Day



Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> – No School – Native American Day

Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> – Early Dismissal 1:00 – staff SLO time 1-4

Oct. 19th – Early Dismissal 1:45 – Football (Parent's Day)

Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – Title 1 - Community Night 5:30 -7:00

Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> – Halloween