

Hansen Elementary

November 2016

November Dates

21 OSD Board Meeting @
Madison Elementary
23-25 Thanksgiving Break
No School

December Dates

7 Early Release Day 11:45
19th Winter Break Begins

January 2017

3 School Resumes
4 Early Release Day 11:45
24 Tears of Joy assembly
26 Family Reading Night
6-7:30PM

Visit the Hansen Website:

Hansen.osd.wednet.edu

School Hours
8:40a - 3:02p

Office Hours
8:30a— 3:30p

Doors open 8:30a

Attendance Line
(360) 596-7403

Transportation
(360) 596- 7700

From Principal Ernie Rascon



Greetings! I hope you are all looking forward to a very relaxing Thanksgiving holiday.

With the winter holiday season fast approaching and gift giving at a record high, we have had lengthy discussions about personal items that kids bring to school and the problems that result in the classroom and on the playground. We don't know what the red hot toy or game is this year but be mindful of your child wanting to bring that gift item to school that they want to show to their friends.

Trading cards and Pokémon card games, by district policy, have no reasonable use at school and should not be brought to school at any time. They are disruptive to the educational process because they are lost, stolen, kids end up arguing or fighting, etc. Most importantly, this takes time away from the classroom teacher's ability to do what they were hired to do, which is teach. If Pokemon or trading cards are brought to school, the classroom teacher will retain the cards and give them back to the kid(s) at the end of the day. If the problem persists and happens several times, the teacher will turn the cards over to Mrs. Doughty or myself and we will have the parent come to school to get them.

As a teaching staff we prefer that kids not bring toys and stuffed animals to school either. Again, according to district policy these items have no reasonable use at school. We will follow the same practice as outlined above if toys are brought to school. We would like this to begin now but the practice will be in full effect beginning January 4, 2017.

The only exceptions to these guidelines would be if bringing an item to school serves a value to the educational process. An example of this might be a student's presentation to his/her class or part of a report that would require it. Any exception that fits this description would be with the permission of the teacher, in advance.

We are in the middle of our annual canned food drive. The food drive ends on Tuesday, November 22. You can send donated items to school with your child in a strong grocery sack. Your child's teacher will store them and we will pick them up periodically. If we collect 2000 items we will have an all school pajama day. Donations can give kids a great sense of pride to be able to help out the needy in our community. Please do not send food items whose expiration date has passed. Use the following guide for your food donation:

- Dried pasta.
- Canned items with pull tabs/flip tops (especially for the homeless).
- Protein like peanut butter, canned chili, canned tuna, canned meats, and spam.
- Canned soups.
- Canned fruits and vegetables.
- Ensure protein supplement.
- Soy based proteins like veggie chili and soy cheese.
- Baby food and baby formula.
- Hamburger Helper, Rice - a - Roni, and boxed potato mix.

Also, when calling the school to get information from the office staff to your child or child's teacher, please know the name of their teacher.

Remember, there is no school on Wednesday, November 23rd this year. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Sincerely,

Ernie Rascon



We offer gluten free and dairy free options in our lunchroom. All we need to get your child started on our special diet plans is a note from their doctor explaining their food allergy. We would love to start serving your child in our cafeteria. If you have any questions, please give me a call at (360) 596-7407. Thank you for allowing me to meet your child's dietary needs.

Heather Long
Hansen Kitchen Manager

2015-2016 Meal Pricing

Elementary

Lunch \$2.55
Milk \$.60
Reduced K-3 no charge
Reduced grades 4-12 \$.40

Breakfast

All Grades \$1.60
Reduced: all grades no charge
Adult: B'fast \$2.10/ Lunch \$3.45
You may add funds to your child's lunch account thru Skyward Family Access or by sending cash/check to the school. Envelopes are available in the office.

For Questions regarding food service please call 360-596-7007

To decrease disruption to the classroom environment and student learning; items and messages that need to go to your child will be delivered by a Hansen staff member.



Check out the Lost & Found! It is overflowing! Come look for the items your child has lost before it is too late. All unclaimed items will be donated 12/16/16.



Now that Fall is upon us and the weather has changed be sure to dress your child appropriately for recess time. We have a limited supply of clothing available for emergencies in the nurse's office, but you may want to consider including a change of clothing in your child's backpack. Also, we need a few volunteers to help with vision & hearing screening on Thursday December 1st, there is a sign up genius or you may call Nurse Heather at 360-596-7408 to volunteer.



News From Mrs Arbuckle

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to the entire Hansen Community for your generous support of the Scholastic Book Fair. We had a record setting \$9186.83 in sales which means \$2100 in profit to buy new books for the library.

Used Book Sale

Please donate any gently used children's book that you no longer want, to the library for our Used Book Sale during conference week in March. All books at the sale are a quarter or dime, and the more books we get the better.

Family Reading Night—Save the Date

Family reading Night is Thursday, January 26th from 6:00-7:30. We will be putting out more details about this fun event in early January but go ahead and pick out the pajamas you are going to wear now.

