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# Sussex Elementary School Family News

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## Sussex Elementary - Peanut and Nut FREE School for 2013-14



**SES Staff and Students get together for the Pink Day Assembly!**

A special thank you to Greg McCollum (parent volunteer), Ashley Robinson (Gr.2), and Morgan McCollum (Gr. 2) for cleaning the fish tank in the lobby! The fish are happy!



## Important Dates of Upcoming Events

March Break	Mar 1st-9th
1st day back after March Break	Mar. 10th
Kidstuff Theatre - Last Show of the Season	Mar. 10th
Report Cards go home	Mar. 24th
Student Led Parent Teacher Evening and Morning	Mar. 27/28th

## SES Code of Conduct

- > I will be responsible!
- > I will be respectful!
- > I will make good choices!
- > I will be prepared!
- > I will do my best!

**SES will be running another 8 week "snack of the week" initiative after the March Break! See page 4 for the details.**

**The 2nd term report cards will be sent out on Monday March 24th. Our parent teacher evening on March 27th and the morning of March 28th will be structured in a student-led format. Specific times will be provided by your child's homeroom teacher.**

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## **We Can Make a Difference!!!!!! Wednesday March 26th**

Sussex Elementary students and staff will be participating in a solidarity of silence. Everybody has to pay a dollar if the teacher agrees to the task. Here are the times to be silent.

Kidergarten-10 minutes

Grade 1-20 minutes

Grade 2-30 minutes

Grade 3-40 minutes

Grade 4-2 hours

Grade 5-All day

You can talk at recesses!

Craig Keilburger was 12 when he decided he wanted to make a difference. He saw in the newspaper that there was a kid who got sold for 16 dollars and worked in a rug factory. One day he escaped and went to a nearby village to tell his story. When he went to school he always finished by holding a pencil in one hand and a tool in the other and said “everyone should have the right to learn, no kid should have to work”.

Craig Keilburger decided to get other kids involved and they decided to call their group the group of 12 twelve year olds. That worked until one of them had their 13th birthday so then they named the group Free The Children. A couple of months later Craig asked his parents if he could go to India. He went to India and was worried for the children because of child labour.

Now Craig Keilburger is continuing his organization and for more information on Craig Keilburger and how to help free the children click here: [Free The Children](http://www.freethechildren.org).

Thanks to Maggie Melvin and Emma Hourihan for organizing this event.

## **Pink Shirt Day - Feb. 27th**



**A special thanks to the Friendly Helpers at SES for organizing our “Stand Up to Bullying” Assembly on Thursday Feb. 27th. These students, with the support of Miss Byers did a super job in putting together a very meaningful presentation!**

## **Kidstuff Theatre - Last Show of the Season! “Splash n Boots”**

March 10th - 6:30pm at the SRHS Community Theatre

Tickets are \$10 and available at Connie’s Collectables or at the front door.



## SES Snack of the Week Program

Although the program will be setup the same as the “snack of the week” initiative that we ran before Christmas, the reward component will be based on class participation. The class with the highest participation percentage will receive a complete day of healthy eating. Recess snacks will be fruit trays and juice. Lunch will include a sub or pizza lunch (class choice) served with milk or juice.

Each day classes will submit the snack totals for the class to the office and these numbers will be calculated into percentages. The standings will be posted at the end of each week and reviewed on the Monday AM announcements. An example of a class participating would be;

21 students in class A. During the first week (5 days in total) of the program the students bring the snack of the week with the following ratios;

Monday -	12 of 21 students bring the snack of the week. <b>57%</b>
Tuesday -	15 of 21 students bring the snack of the week. <b>71%</b>
Wednesday -	14 out of 19 bring the snack of the week. (2 absent) <b>74%</b>
Thursday -	17 out of 20 bring the snack of the week. (1 absent) <b>85%</b>
Friday -	13 out of 17 bring the snack of the week. (4 absent) <b>77%</b>

**Average participation rate at the end of week 1 = 72.8%**

**Week 1 (March 10-14) - Grapes**

**Week 3 (March 24-28) - Carrots**

**Week 5 (Apr. 7-11) - Apples**

**Week 7 (Apr. 21-25) - Grapes or bananas**

**Week 2 (March 17-21) - Bananas**

**Week 4 (March 31-Apr. 4) - Cucumber**

**Week 6 (Apr. 14-18) - Celery**

**Week 8 (Apr. 28—May 2) - Carrots**

Thank you to all the parents for your support of this healthy eating initiative. Before Christmas this was a wonderful program. Hoping your continued support will make it even better!



Thank You to the SES Mural Club and Cassie Fry (their teacher supervisor) who painted the beautiful mural in support of Team Sweden during the Ford Women's World Curling Championships being held in Saint John from March 15-23rd.