The Indian Hollow Primary News



Indian Hollow Primary School
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Dear Indian Hollow Families,

It is hard to believe that the holiday season has come and gone. I hope that during the holiday season you were able to take time and create memories that will last forever. As I look back at what I have always felt was the first half of the year, there were many successes. Every year, I look forward to the Parent/Student Visit; it is great to see all of the smiling faces return ready to embark on a new year at Indian Hollow. I must admit it was overwhelming the first few years meeting so many new people for the first time, but I have come to really enjoy the event. It is our official end to summer and the chance for a fresh start.

Please continue to access and read our classroom newsletters, Backpack News and our webpage to learn more about Indian Hollow. I would like to personally thank all who helped to make the "first half" at Indian Hollow Primary a great success.

Once again, I hope that your holiday season was filled with happiness and joy and you are ready to start the New Year at Indian Hollow.

Best Wishes,

Brian Simpson

Mr. Brian Simpson

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Lori Busch, for being chosen as a Founders' Day honoree along with our PTA Founders' Day honoree, Mrs. Jennifer Palilla.

DEAR PARENTS, FROM MRS. GEMBS, RNSCHOOL NURSE

It is difficult to decide when and how long to keep a child home from school. The timing of the absence is often important in order to decrease the spread of disease to others and to prevent your child from acquiring other illnesses while his/her resistance is lowered.

Here are some guidelines to follow as to when to keep a child home:

Fever - If a child's temperature is 100 degrees or greater. Return to school when he/she is fever free for 24 hours without the aid of a fever reducer medication.

Vomiting and Diarrhea - Your child should remain at home until the symptoms are over for a full 24 hours. If your child has had any of the symptoms during the night, he/she should not be sent to school the following day.

Also, please remember to send your child to school dressed to go out for recess. Even though the weather may not indicate that the children will be going out for recess, it may change, and the student should be prepared to have outdoor recess.

Thank you, I hope this information helps!

MORNING "DROP OFF ZONE" PROCEDURES REMINDER

In the interest of everyone's safety, please review the below "procedures:

Drop Off Zone"

A "Drop Off Zone" has been created in the parking lot. Cars dropping off children are to enter this zone single file. Children are to exit vehicles on the passenger side, stepping onto the sidewalk. Once children have disembarked, the driver should then move the vehicle in order to keep traffic flowing. A staff member will assist children at the crosswalk. Should you wish to watch your child enter the building, please be courteous to the cars behind you by proceeding to a vacant parking space.

100th DAY MUSEUM

The 100th Day Museum is scheduled for Friday, February 9, 2024. This date will not change even if the 100th Day occurs later. We are also planning to open the museum for parents and students on Thursday,

February 8, 2024 from 3:45pm -8:00pm. This will permit parents or family members who are not available during the day on the 9th to attend. Please visit the link below to see several photos from the day and videos of the museum. http://www.commack.k12.ny.us/100th%20Day%20Museum.aspx

SCHOOL CLOSINGS & DELAYED OPENINGS

Now that winter has arrived, it's time to remember that families will receive an automated phone message informing them of school closings and delayed openings. Additionally, you may check the District website, www.commack.kl2.ny.us, Channel 12 News and the radio stations listed in the district calendar.

When we have a delayed school opening, all schools will open either 1 or 2 hours later than our usual time. Please listen to the broadcasts or check the Commack website to determine whether Indian Hollow will be opening at 10:30 or 11:30 am.

SCOPE

In the event of an unscheduled early dismissal or if the district cancels afterschool activities (due to hazardous weather conditions) after operating a full day of school, the SCOPE After School Program will be canceled.



Upcoming Events

	Mar. 1 READ ACROSS AMERICA
Jan 2. SCHOOL REOPENS	Mar. 1 Dr. Seuss Celebration
Jan. 11 BOE Meeting @ Hubbs	Mar. 4 DISABILITY AWARENESS WEEK (3/4
Jan. 15 SCHOOL CLOSED	3/8)
Jan. 25 SBMT (8:50 a.m.)	Mar. 6 IH Wacky Wednesday
Jan. 25 PTA Meeting (6 p.m.)	Mar. 8 K-5 End 2nd Marking Period
Jan. 26 Primary Spirit Day	Mar. 8 IH PTA Children's Fashion & Talent
Feb. 1 PTA Founder's Day	Show @ BIS (6 p.m.)
Feb. 5 IH Literacy Week (2/5 - 2/9)	Mar. 12 Grade 2 Parent Orientation @ BIS
Feb. 5 IH Gently Used Book Drive (2/5 - 2/9)	(7 p.m.)
Feb. 6 IH Book Fair	Mar. 14 BOE Mtg. & Budget Wkshp #1 @ Hubbs
Feb. 7 WORLD READ ALOUD DAY	(7 p.m.)
Feb. 7 IH Book Fair	Mar. 21 HALF DAY K2 PARENT/TEACHER CONF
Feb. 7 IH Kindergarten Read -In (8:30 a.m.)	Mar. 22 HALF DAY K-2 PARENT/TEACHER CONF
Feb. 8 IH Book Fair	Mar. 22 Primary Spirit Day
Feb. 8 IH 100th Day Museum Preview	Mar. 26 Grade 2 Visit BIS (10 a.m.)
(3:45-8 p.m.)	Mar. 28 SCHOOL CLOSED
Feb. 9 ELEMENTARY 100th DAY OF SCHOOL	Mar. 29 SCHOOL CLOSED
Feb. 9 IH 100th Day Museum	
Feb. 15 BOE Meeting @ Hubbs	
Feb. 16 Primary Spirit Day	
Feb. 19-23 - SCHOOL CLOSED	
Feb. 26 NUTRITION WEEK (2/26- 3/1)	
Feb. 26 Primary School Spirit Week (2/26 - 3/1)	

"An adult never stands as tall as when they kneel to help a child." $\sim Anonymous$



Indian Hollow School Song

Dear Indian Hollow, we love you

Our hearts will ever be true.

We join our hands in friendship

Beneath the white and blue.

Within these halls of learning

Our glad young voices ring.

Eternal love and loyalty

To Indian Hollow we sing.

Indian Hollow Site Based Management Team Communication Form



To: Parent Representatives: Alison Wilkins, Melissa Cinelli, Beth Goodman From:_____ Contact Information: Any Bright Ideas?

Please leave this form in the PTA school bus in the Main Office in an envelope labeled SBMT. One of the Parent Representatives will contact you. Thank you for your input.