

September 23, 2009

DATES TO REMEMBER. . .

September	30	Grades 3 and 4 – Fire House display
October	6	Individual student pictures PTA Meeting – 6:30
	9	Curriculum Day – no school

INDIVIDUAL PICTURES

Individual student pictures will be taken at Hutton on Tuesday, October 6. Packet prices vary and payment will be due on picture day. No late orders will be accepted. Envelopes will be sent home with students on Thursday, October 1.

PTA FALL FUNDRAISER

Please turn in your fall fundraising packets by Friday, September 25.

**ENROLLMENT VERIFICATION
FORMS COMING SOON**

You will soon be receiving an enrollment verification form for each child that you have attending Hutton. Please take the time to look the forms over, make any changes, sign and return these to school as soon as possible after you receive them. The information on these forms is the most up to date information that we have on file for your child and is essential so that we can reach you if the need arises. We ask that you update any changes in your child's health on the form, as well. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

There is a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan for Hutton School located in the office. This plan describes the location of asbestos containing materials and how those materials are being maintained. Please be assured that all asbestos is either in non-public areas or is well encapsulated or maintained to prevent the release of fibers into the air stream. It will be kept in good condition through regular inspection and maintenance procedures. Contact the school office if you are interested in reviewing this management plan.

UPDATE

As anticipated, influenza season has arrived in our community. We have parent reported cases of influenza at most every school in the area. As of 9-17-09, the number of absences is not considered high but we are seeing about twice as many absences due to influenza-like symptoms as compared to last year.

At this time, it is not significant which particular influenza virus is circulating in our area. We need to take the same preventative measures during all influenza seasons. It's true that the H1N1 virus appears to be more contagious than the "seasonal" influenza but that is because it is a new strain of virus and our bodies have not yet had the chance to build immunity against the H1N1 virus.

The reason we need repeated "seasonal" flu vaccination every year is because the influenza virus is known to frequently change as it moves around the world. The next season's flu vaccine production needs to anticipate these changes and be formulated slightly differently every year. Most of us benefit from boosting our immune system by vaccinating for influenza yearly.

Seasonal influenza vaccinations are available in our community now and H1N1 will be available for persons in the identified "vaccine priority groups" by mid-October. Vaccine priority groups include pregnant women, children age 6 months to 24 years, adults 25-64 who have chronic medical conditions, health care and emergency workers and those who live in households where there is an infant less than 6 months of age. Please call your health care provider for more details.

Thank you for your continued efforts to keep your child home when ill, has a fever of 100 degrees or higher, reporting specific symptoms when your child is absent, encouraging good hand washing practices and covering their coughs and sneezes.

Kathe Reed-McKay,
Coordinator Health Services

SCHOOL LUNCH

Every student (including kindergarten) enrolled at Hutton has a lunch account set up in our system. Money can be deposited into their account by dropping it off in the office, or sending it with your child who will give it to their teacher in the morning to be sent to the office before lunch. In order to ensure that their money gets deposited in the correct account please make sure you put cash in an envelope and put your child's first and last name or, if you send a check, please write their name on the memo line. You may include more than one child per check and it would be split between them.

When students are getting low on funds, we do try to stamp their hand or call. Please feel free to call the office any time and we will be happy to tell you the balance in your child's account or answer any questions or concerns.

Lunch for students is \$2.10 per day including milk.