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Principal



Piper Elementary School K-3rd Grade

School Rules

- Be Responsible
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe
- Be a Problem Solver
- Be Your Best!

August Upcoming Events

- ◆ **8/5/14: Enrollment @**
7am-6pm at Piper High School
- ◆ **8/13/14: Class Lists will be posted at 4pm** online & at school
- ◆ **8/14/14: @5-6pm Kindergarten & 1st Grade** Meet the Teacher Night. *Bring school supplies and meet the teacher!*
- ◆ **8/15/14: @ 5-6pm 2nd & 3rd Grade** Meet the Teacher Night. *Bring school supplies and meet the teacher!*
- ◆ **8/18/14: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!**
- ◆ **8/26/14: Kindergarten & 1st Grade** Parent Meeting @ 6pm

K parents:

6-6:30 meet in gym with Mrs. Grable
6:30-7 meet in your child's classroom

1st Grade Parents:

6-6:30 meet in your child's classroom
6:30-7 meet in the gym with Mrs. Grable

- ◆ **8/28/14: 2nd & 3rd Grade** Parent Meeting @ 6pm

2nd Grade Parents:

6-6:30 meet in the gym with Mrs. Grable
6:30-7 meet in your child's classroom

3rd Grade Parents:

6-6:30 meet in your child's classroom
6:30-7 meet in the gym with Mrs. Grable

"Building the Future One Child at a Time."

News From The Principal.....

Dear Piper Families:

It's hard to believe but it's that time of the year again - the beginning of a new school year! And while you aren't part of the teaching staff *you are just as important to your children's education as we are.*

Your child(ren) receives the best education when *you*, our *dedicated teachers* and *staff* work as a *team*. It's a parents enthusiasm, support and involvement that inspires children to do their best; and a teacher's ability to teach what they need to learn. *Together* we can achieve wonderful things!

There's a lot of excitement ahead of us, including new teachers to meet, new books to read, new friends to meet and new skills to master...and I look forward to you sharing in those exciting times. As a parent myself, I know how fast time goes by. One year your child's in Kindergarten and seemingly in the blink of an eye they're in middle school, or in their senior year of high school for that matter.

Enjoy every moment!

In closing, I encourage you to take the time check out our website at www.piperschools.com. We are looking forward to an exciting year!



~ Mrs. Grable



Important Information from the front office....



- School Hours are **8:35-3:40**
- Students may enter the building @ **8:20**
- Students need to be in their classrooms by **8:35** to avoid a tardy slip
- Parents are asked to say their good-byes in the front foyer. This is called our **"hug & go"** zone; children will then proceed to their classroom.
- If you have additional messages for your child's teacher, please use established common procedures: email, notes, voicemail, or arrange a conference. We want to optimize the learning environment and maximize safety.
- Students arriving after 9:15 will be counted as 1/2 day absent. Students leaving before 3pm will be counted as 1/2 day absent.
- **New Tardy Policy:**
5 Tardies = 1 unexcused absence
- **All transportation changes MUST be made by 3:00p.m.** on the day of the change is requested to ensure that the teacher is notified in time & your child arrives home safely.
- If your child has an **appointment of any kind that causes him/her to arrive late or leave early from school, please sign them in and out through the office.** Staff members may not release a child unless they have been notified by the office staff.
- Please call and let the office know if your child is absent or will be late coming to school. Our office will call and verify that your child is safely at home if we have not received notification from you. The office number is: 721-1243.

Meet the 2014-2015 Pirate Crew!

Kindergarten

- Mrs. Anaya
- Mrs. Gordon
- Mrs. Harris
- Mrs. Harvey
- Mrs. Martin
- Miss Robb
- Mrs. Rogers

1st Grade

- Miss A. Brown
- Mrs. R. Brown
- Miss Fletcher
- Mrs. Hackathorn
- Miss Patterson
- Mrs. Ward

2nd Grade

- Mrs. Denney
- Mrs. Gonzalez
- Mrs. Martin
- Miss Phillips
- Mrs. Pope
- Mrs. Sorenson
- Miss Ziegler

3rd Grade

- Mrs. Bicknell
- Mrs. Catron
- Mrs. Eikenbary
- Mrs. Reese
- Mrs. Stucker
- Mrs. Whaley
- Mrs. Williams

Specials

- Mrs. Asbury ~ Computers
- Ms. Crouse ~ Music
- Mrs. Haworth ~ Art
- Ms. Hosch ~ Library
- Ms. Neas ~ Physical Ed.
- Mr. Newell ~ Physical Ed.
- Mrs. Telthorst ~ Music

Specialists

- Mrs. Bartlow ~ Social Worker
- Mrs. Didde ~ Title 1 Reading
- Mrs. Hammons ~ Student Learning Center
- Mrs. Herman ~ Literacy Coach
- Mrs. Long ~ Occupational Therapist
- Mrs. Neaderhise ~ Psychologist
- Miss Parsons ~ Counselor
- Mrs. Smith ~ Speech
- Mrs. Wheeler ~ Gifted



Support Staff

- Mrs. Conrad ~ library aide
- Mrs. Mikijanis ~ Para
- Mrs. Morse ~ lunchroom aide

Office

- Mrs. Bullis ~ Food Service
- Mrs. Callaghan ~ Secretary
- Mrs. Daniels ~ School Bridge Director
- Mrs. Dehner ~ Secretary
- Mrs. German ~ Transportation
- Mrs. Grable ~ Principal
- Mrs. Ratcliff ~ Nurse

Custodians

- Ms. Davis
- Mr. Spradlin
- Mr. Tatum



Piper Elementary Fundraiser



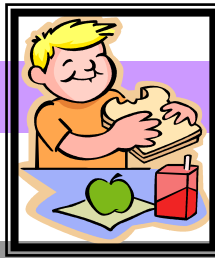
Piper Elementary has partnered with Fundraising University and the Chip Shoppe for our 2014 school fundraiser! Get a head start on shopping for the holidays and treats for guests while supporting our school at the same time!

Proceeds from this sale will be used to help pay for **document cameras for classrooms, math manipulatives, science kits, and iPads for school use!** We will reach our goal if every student sells 10 items!

Please help by making **“friendly sales”** to friends, family, neighbors & co-workers and/or selling **online** to out-of-town family and friends!

Thank you for your support! **You will be able to preview a few of the items from the catalog and taste some of the food at our ‘Meet the Teacher’ night on Thursday August 14th, and Friday, August 15th!** Be sure to stop by the table and check it out! *Remember: This is our large school fundraiser that goes directly back to your students and teachers and WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!*

For more information or to view products online, you can visit www.thechipshoppe.com. Students will be receiving more information and sales will run from AUGUST 28TH – SEPTEMBER 11TH.



Important Information cont...

Cell Phones & Valuables

We ask that students do not bring cell phones or other valuable items to school with them. It is very distracting if a cell phone is ringing in the middle of class... The school district will not be responsible if any valuable item is lost or stolen from the school, or the bus. Thank you for keeping all of these items at home.



Outside Meals & Lunch Schedule

We encourage parents to come and have lunch with their children. We ask that parents bringing outside food (from a restaurant) bring it for your child only. When only a select few from a class are singled out, feelings get hurt.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Kindergarten ~ 11:30-12:05
 1st Grade ~ 12:30-1:00
 2nd Grade ~ 11:00-11:35
 3rd Grade ~ 12:00-12:35

Piper Purple Fridays

We have a long tradition of wearing purple on Fridays. Whichever classroom is wearing the most purple on Friday is given special recognition with a banner on their classroom door!

Show your Piper Pride and let your purple shine through!!!

**WATCH DOGS
 COMING SOON!**



Piper is Paperless

Please visit www.piperschools.com and click on the "Our School's" drop down menu to visit the Elementary School's website. There you will find newsletters, building calendar, Parent/Student handbook along with more useful information.

September Dates:

9/1/14: Labor Day
 No School!

9/11/14:
 Fundraiser Ends!

9/19/14:
 Fall School Pictures

School Bridge Before/After Care

We have openings for both before and after care for PreK-5th grade students. If you are interested, please contact Leta Dehner at (913) 721-1243 for inquires and registration.

Turn that Trash into Cash!!

We welcome aboard our new "Pirate Team" members!

- Shelia Callaghan ~ Secretary
- Javeen Neaderhiser ~ School Psychologist
- Rachel Robb ~ Kindergarten Teacher
- Jill Gonzalez ~ 2nd Grade Teacher
- Rebecca Martin ~ 2nd Grade Teacher
- Katelinn Phillips ~ 2nd Grade Teacher
- Madison Ziegler ~ 2nd Grade Teacher
- Heather Williams ~ 3rd Grade Teacher
- Luke Newell ~ Physical Education & AM Lead School Bridge Teacher

Hey Parents!

Do you have a lot of junk mail and catalogues that you would like to throw away???? If you do....

Turn that trash into cash for our school!! Please help us by filling our recycling bin! It is the green bin located on the west side of our parking lot.

We need **ALL** your: newspapers, magazines, catalogues, mail, and office papers. Our school can earn money and we can also help the environment.

Thanks for participating in our recycle program!

