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#### The Giving Tree Update

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Thank you to all the parents that have or are in the process of purchasing gifts for our Giving Tree! You generosity is truly inspirational!!!

All of the ornaments have been taken from our Giving Tree. Please remember to wrap your present and return it to the building with the ornament you brought home by December 19<sup>th</sup>.



LAST CHANCE FOR DISCOUNTED YEARBOOK PRICING! The price for yearbooks goes up to \$25 on December 21st.

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Visit jostensyearbook.com and search for Hawk Hollow to place your order.

# We are excited to announce Girls on the Run will be coming to Hawk Hollow in March.

GOTR is an after-school program that gives 3rd-8th grade girls the tools to be healthy, happy and confident. It is more than just a running program - it gives girls the opportunity to build confidence and healthy habits. Over 10 weeks, girls will recognize their inner strength, make great friendships, and so much more! Each week, training and activities will help build endurance for a celebratory 5K running event. GOTR believes that every girl can embrace who she is, can define who she wants to be, can rise to any challenge, can change the world!

The program will run Mon 3/4/19 thru Wed 5/15/19, Monday and Wednesday, 2:30-4:00. The cost is \$100 per girl. Financial assistance is available.

#### Included in the program:

20 interactive lessons & curriculum materials Healthy snacks at each practice and the end-of-season final celebration Program t-shirt and water bottle Girl's automatic registration for the end-of-season 5K End-of-season gift Volunteer training and certification fees Administrative assistance to volunteers, parents/guardians, and girls

We need to get information on the number of girls interested in joining, so please contact Mrs. Lombardo by 12/19. Registration takes place on the GOTR website and will open on Jan 1st.



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\*\*\*\*ATTACHED to this email are flyers for GOTR



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Important Dates December 17<sup>th</sup> – KIDS

## Report Cards Sent Home

**December 17**<sup>th</sup> – **21**<sup>st</sup> – Winter Spirit Week

**December 18<sup>th</sup>** – Robert Crown visits 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students; Battle of the

Books Competition from 3pm – 4pm at Gail Borden Library in Elgin

December 21<sup>st</sup> – End of First Semester

December 24<sup>th</sup> – January 4<sup>th</sup> – Winter Break

January 7<sup>th</sup> – Classes Resume January 8<sup>th</sup> – Science Guy Assembly



#### **5Essentials Parent Survey**

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Don't forget to take the 5Essentials Survey. <u>We are currently</u> <u>showing **30%** of our parents have completed the survey</u>. Last year we had 31% of parent population complete the survey. Please help me increase this number to 50%! Remember you can take the survey multiple times if you have more than one child attending Hawk Hollow.

Research derived from the 5Essentials for School Success has proven that schools strong on at least 3 of the 5Essentials are 10 times more likely to improve student outcomes.

The 5Essentials survey will remain open until January 18th, 2019. Please click on the link below to complete the survey.

https://survey.5-essentials.org/illinois/?target name=parent

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Once you have completed the survey, please complete the form or email your child's teacher and your student will earn a \$10 Feather buck! Any class has 100% parent participation will earn a Golden Ticket!!!

#### Brrrr!!! It's Cold Outside



Winter is HERE! The temperatures keep dropping. Please be sure your children have gloves/mittens, hats, snow pants, and boots for your child. We will be going outside even if it is snowing. District Policy states students will be outside if temperatures are 11 degrees or higher. I have made the decision to change that to 15 degrees. We will always take into account the wind chill when making decisions.

Indoor Recess will occur when:

- temperatures are below 15 degrees or the wind chill factor is 15 degrees or below by 10:30 am
- there are hazardous (ice or large amounts of snow) conditions on the playground

Students have been informed of the expectations for playing in the snow. They are as follows:

- Proper attire must be wore including snow pants, gloves and boots
- Snowmen and Snow angels are welcome but snowballs can hurt our friends
- Steer clear of ice and icicles as they can be very dangerous

#### **School Notes**

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It's hard to believe our first semester of school is coming to an end (December 21<sup>st</sup>). As the school days pass I am more and more impressed by the work our children are engaging in. Students are creating fossils, critiquing each others thinking, finding evidence in text to support their answers, problem solving, creating art projects, singing in harmony, setting personal goals, measuring their heart rates, and building their reading stamina to name just a few. Our Little Hawks have really grown and there is no telling where they will go from here. When we return from winter break the rest of the school year is going to move even faster than the first portion but I can assure you your child will continue to soar!

## Morning Drop Off

As a reminder, if you are dropping your children off and supervisors are no longer standing by the curb then the bell has rung. Please make sure you are walking your children into the building and signing them in. Students are expected to be in their classrooms by 8:30 and are marked tardy when this does not occur. Children who enter the building late without parents are reminded their parents should sign them in.

### **Blanket Making for Anderson Animal Shelter**

Hawk Hollow staff are inviting families to give back to our community. Beginning in January, we will be hosting blanket making sessions for animals who are currently living at Anderson Animal Shelter. We would love for you to come out and help us. A flyer will be coming home after break to sign up for one or all of the sessions.

January  $14^{th} - 2:30-3:30$ January  $16^{th} - 2:30-3:30$ January  $22^{nd} - 2:30-3:30$ 

January 25<sup>th</sup> – 2:30 – 3:30 (Presentation to the shelter with a special surprise)

We have all the fabric but we are looking for fabric shears. If you are interested in donating or lending shears to our building, please contact Mrs. Dupuis.

#### DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

ALOHA! Save the DATE! Hawk Hollow's 7th Annual Daddy Daughter Dance will be held on **Friday, February 22, 2019** from 6:30-8:30 at the Holiday Inn located at 150 Gary Ave. Carol Stream. Reservation forms will be send out in Jan.:)

Mark your calendars now and plan on a Hawaiian Luau!

Mahalo!

### **Dental Clinic**

We are pleased to have Miles of Smiles Dental Clinic coming to our school this year on February 4th. The dental clinic is open to all students who return a signed permission form. All eligible students will receive a free exam. If you have private dental insurance, please take note of the insurance guidelines on the permission form. Illinois State Code requires that all Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders submit proof of a dental exam by May 15, 2019. This exam done at this clinic will fulfill this requirement.

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If your child is participating, please make sure you completed the dental form and sent that in to Mrs. Lombardo. If you have any questions, please contact our school nurse, Mrs. Lombardo.