

Leo's Family Newsletter

Tuesday, September 24th 2019



Upcoming Events

- Wednesday, September 25th at 9:10am**
Class pictures (whole class)
- Thursday, September 26th, 6:00pm-7:45pm**
Back to School Night
- Monday, September 30th**
Last day to donate to Donors Choose Project
- Tuesday, October 1st**
First Off Campus/With Chaperones Field Study (Hoyt Arboretum!)
- Wednesday, October 9th**
Indigenous People's Day (still school)
- Friday, October 11th**
NO SCHOOL- Statewide Inservice

Connect to Your Kid

Tell me about a book you have been reading during read to self?

Which climate activists did you read about on the day we had a substitute? What were they passionate about changing?

Announcements

- TOMORROW , Wednesday 9/25 at 9:10am is our class photo time. This was recent news to all teachers, so we are trying to get the word out. Here are the links to buy a smile photo and/or a goofy photo of our class.
 - Goofy Photo: <https://www.schoolpay.com/link/2019-Goofy>
 - Formal Photo: <https://www.schoolpay.com/link/2019-Class-Photo>
- This Thursday is Back to School Night. You will meet with Amy, Alix, and other staff in the auditorium at 6pm. Later in the evening you will make your way up to our classroom to hear information from me, see the classroom, and check out our students' amazing Best Part of Me projects. Back to School Night is about sharing information about our overall classroom community, routines, expectations, etc. Please email me to set up a meeting if you'd like to talk specifics about your child and I'd be happy to set something up.
- Sick is very much going around our classroom, please help make sure your student is getting plenty of sleep each night and check in if they complain of headaches. Fevers have happened to about 6-7 students in the past two weeks.
- We are \$100 away from meeting our Donor's Choose Project goal! Remember to donate this week and share within networks. I think we can do it!

Announcements Cont'd

- Thank you to our room parents, Anne and Amy, for getting our snack rotations going. Our room parents will help share handy information from the parental angle, as well as organize various things throughout the year.
- Can you help out by volunteering to chaperone during field studies?! Wonderful! Here is information needed before you can join us: Please sign up to help out by first make sure you have an active background check on file with PPS. To check the status of your background check, [please visit this page](#). If you don't have a background check on file (or if your background check has expired), please submit a new request. Doing so takes on a couple of minutes, and **the check is good for a three-year period**.

Field Study News

Our first chaperone involved Field Study is to Hoyt Arboretum and takes place on **Tuesday, October 1st. Please email me by Friday September 27th.** if you can help chaperone this trip, from 9:15am to 1pm ish. **Please send \$5 in cash or check (made out to SES) in with your student.** I will be collecting the money (not the office/online). Sending a dollar or two more helps fund the trip for all students : D

What We're Learning

Math: We are finally starting our split math learning. All students are reviewing place value, the value of a digit based on its place in a number. Our 4ths are practicing writing expanded form of numbers and reviewing addition strategies. Our 5th are reviewing the standard multiplication algorithm (this was very frustrating for many people which is OKAY because the algorithm ignores place value so this is a good thing to be frustrated by this!), then moving onto learn about order of operations. I also asked all 5ths to work on at least 30 minutes of [Freckle Math](#) at home as part of their homework plans. Our class code log in is **soelle**, and usernames are first and last names.

Writing: Come to Back to School Night to see what we've been working on! :)

Reading: We started our first reader's workshop read aloud, Home of the Brave, as a part of the Lucy Caulkin's curriculum. The first big focus of reader's workshop is writing about reading. Wowie this can be challenging for students!

Science/Social Studies: Our 3x5 Team has invited a few youth climate activists come to SES as part of our follow up to the Global Youth Climate Strike action. Here is a link to learn more about the action that took place last Friday <https://globalclimatestrike.net/>

Social/class: Our class goal for the next two weeks is being able to name feelings and needs. For example, "Right now I feel _____ and I need _____."

Volunteer Ask: Can you help in our art classroom so that we can enjoy learning art and feel in community? Please email me!

Art Times ~~Wednesdays 2:15 to 3:00pm~~ - Covered!
 Fridays 1:05 to 2:00pm - Still Needed

I notice that having parents helping out during this time helps keep the classroom calm and learning enjoyable for all. : D

Our 3x5 Team Youth Climate Action:

