



GAZETTE

"It is the mission of Devonshire School to provide a quality education for all students."



GOAL SETTING CONFERENCES

I would like to thank all of the families who participated in our goal setting conferences last month. As a school, we had 95% of our families participate in goal setting during the two-day conference period. I thought that the new format for our conferences worked well, and it was nice to see the students take more ownership in the process. The goals of the students will be addressed throughout the year, and will be highlighted again during our spring conferences. Thanks again to all of the families who participated in the conferences.



If you have not yet paid your student registration fee or your insurance fee for the student devices, Chromebook or Nexus 7 tablets, please take time to do that. Each family was recently sent home a reminder sheet letting them know how much was owed. It is important that this is taken care of soon. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 847-593-4398.

Mrs. Carstens



The Halloween parties went well last week. With the wintry weather, we did move the parade indoors, but that seemed to work out fine. I did want to thank all of the room parents for adhering to our check in policy. We will continue to utilize that approach for the holiday party and for the Valentine's party this year. Only five parents will be allowed to help facilitate a room party. Those names will be submitted to the office, and only those parents whose names are on the list will be allowed entrance to the room parties. If you are interested in volunteering at the holiday party, please contact your child's teacher or the head room parent to make sure that your name will be on the list.



Extra-Curricular Clubs

Several of our extra-curricular clubs have recently started. For our primary students, we are offering a Game Club, where students can utilize their creativity and critical thinking skills, and a Writing Club, to enhance students' writing skills. For our intermediate students, we are offering several different clubs. We are currently offering a Spanish Club, Stamping Club, Academic Knights, S.H.O.W. Club, and STEM Club. During Spanish Club, students will learn conversational Spanish. Stamping Club will foster creativity by having students create monthly crafts. The Academic Knights will focus on providing extra support for students in the areas of Reading and Math. S.H.O.W. Club stands for Students Helping Our World, and in this club, students will facilitate several different community service projects. In the STEM Club, students will have the opportunity to do experiments and hands-on projects that will focus on developing skills in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. There will be other clubs and activities for students as the year continues, so please continue to watch for those opportunities. I am very thankful that we have teachers who are willing to sponsor additional activities for our students. It is a great way for our students to meet other students with common interests, and it is a wonderful way for us to build a sense of community in our school.

Weather Guidelines

As the weather has taken a turn for the worse, I thought it would be a good time to review our cold-weather guidelines. As long as the wind chill is above 10 degrees Fahrenheit, the students will line up outside in the morning, and they will have outdoor recess. It is very important for the students to come to school prepared for the cold weather. All students should have a warm coat, hat, and gloves. For outdoor recess, when there is snow on the ground, students who have those items, as well as boots and snow pants, are allowed to play in the recess field. All other students must remain on the blacktop area during the recess time. During this time of the year, it is very important for parents to continue to adhere to the student pick-up procedures. Our supervisors will remain diligent in asking parents not to double-park, and not allowing students to cross the street without their parent or guardian.



Dates Ahead

Nov. 12 - 3rd gd. to Marriott Lincolnshire
 Nov. 17 - PTO Turkey Shoot-7:00 p.m.
 Nov. 19 & 20 - 2nd gd. in house field trip
 Nov. 20 - 5th Gd. World Health Present.
 Friendship Jr. High-6:30-8:00 pm
 Nov. 20 - Orchestra practice - 3:50 @
 Friendship Jr. High
 Nov. 21 - Report Cards - Gd. 1st - 5th
 Nov. 25 - Early Dismissal - 2:50
 Nov. 26 - 28 - Thanksgiving Break
 Dec. 1 - Return to school



**Happening
This Month!**

The staff at Devonshire School
would like to wish all
of our families a
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

This will be a time to reflect
and be thankful for all
that we have!





KINDERGARTEN PATROLS



Greet the children at the door. Escort them to their classroom. Help with boots, coat zippers, hats, and scarves when it's cold. When that's done, take chairs down from tables and assists Mrs. Witkowski and Mr. Morales with the many tasks required to start and end a Kindergartener's day. These are just a few of the responsibilities of Devonshire's Kindergarten patrols. Along with that comes, make sure to wave and smile back to them when seen in the hall during the day. Kindergarten patrols must also be responsible for seeing they have not missed lessons in their own classrooms while assisting in the Kindergarten rooms. Despite the time and responsibility requirements, Devonshire's Kindergarten patrols truly love their "work". Those fifth graders who are so eager to do their jobs every day are: Raphael Lausa, Kevin Periaswamy, Catherine Ligeza, Kailey Bouras, Gizelle Salumbidez, Bridget Stricker, Ritu Patel, Gabby Kowalczyk, Johnny Martorana, Elyjah Sepulveda, Jacqueline Diaz, Lourymae Visperas, Marina Mitrinovic, Marcos Castillos, Riley Porreca, Daisy Cruz, Srushti Patel, Nayeli Villalobos, Alexis Thanopoulos, Monisa Yusra and Jacob Hardin.



Not pictured:
Catherine Ligeza

School will dismiss early at 2:50 on Tuesday, November 25th and there will be NO SCHOOL on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday November 25th, 26th & 27th in celebration of **THANKSGIVING!!**

The Devonshire Winter program is Wednesday, December 17th in the Friendship Jr. High gym.
Kindergarten - Mrs. Witkowski and Mr. Morales
First Grade - Mrs. Leonz, Mrs. Magura, Mrs. Brubaker & Mrs. Miller
Second Grade - Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Guerrero & Mrs. Soto
Chorus will also be performing, so plan on staying for the entire performance and getting into the holiday spirit.