

January 2020

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Important Dates

December 21-January 5
Christmas Break

Monday, January 6
School Resumes (Orange Day)

Monday, January 13
Science Expo Informational
Meeting
5:30

Friday, January 17
Slushy Sales

Monday, January 20
No School

Friday, January 31
Slushy Sales

Y.E.S. Indeed!

York Elementary School Monthly Parent Newsletter

What a great first half of the year! It has been exciting to see the growth that all of our students have made since the beginning of the year. As we wrap up the 1st semester and head into the 2nd, we hope that you and your family have many opportunities to spend time together and to make memories during the break from school. School resumes on Monday, January 6.

Report Cards

At Y.E.S., report cards are distributed after the conclusion of each semester. The report cards for the 1st Semester will be mailed out or given to your student on Friday, January 10.

School Closing/Early-Out Information

There are multiple different outlets to receive information about late starts or school closings. If your phone number is updated in our Infinite Campus system, you should receive a message. There will also be information put out on Facebook, Twitter, KAWL/KTMX, KOLN/KGIN, and NTV. If there is a late start, breakfast is not served.



Kindergarten Round-Up/Registration

Please help us spread the word! Kindergarten Registration begins Monday, March 2. We will be having Kindergarten Round-up on March 27. If you have a child who could be a Kindergarten student in the upcoming school year, you will be receiving a letter in the mail. If you do not receive one by the end of February, please contact us and we will get one mailed to you.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Conference

We will not have school on Monday, January 20. Our staff will be attending the MLK Day Conference at York High School. We will have an opportunity to hear from several nationally renowned educators about a wide array of educational topics. Please enjoy this day with your students as we continually strive to improve the overall educational experience for your child!

Reminder!



Please remember to check the Encore schedule for your student on a daily basis to ensure that your student wears the right shoes for PE and has their book to return to Library.

Thanks!

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Classroom Happenings

1st Grade

First graders will be studying the sun, moon, and stars during the month of January. In reading, we will begin a brand new unit; so many new reading skills will be introduced. We will continue to work on writing personal narratives and becoming stronger writers.

3rd Grade

Our 3rd graders put on an exceptional Christmas program last month! In the classroom, we are putting a lot of effort into passing our standards tests in Math. Remember that report cards will have a one to four scale for Math. Reading, Grammar, Spelling, and Unit Studies grades will be traditional percentages. Also, just a quick reminder that our overnight field trip to the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, April 23 and 24. It sounds like it is a long way off, but it will be here before you know it. Please be looking for more specific information and forms to come home this month. Have a Happy New Year.

5th Grade

The fifth graders were busy during December. In reading and writing, we have been exploring a variety of genres and we composed opinion and personal narrative pieces. In Science, they have been learning about Earth systems interactions or Earth's motions and stars. In mathematics, the students worked on how to multiply whole numbers and decimals. After the holiday break, they will be dividing whole numbers and decimals. In Social Studies, they studied about early explorers and the thirteen colonies or history from the Civil War to present time. They are looking forward to practicing for their musical, which they will present in February. Also, we will take the Winter MAPS test in January.

Elks Hoop Shoot Results

Congratulations again to this year's winners and alternates of the Elks Hoop Shoot! The winners will get to compete on January 5 at 9:00 am at York High School.

8-9-year-old girls: Kinsley Stutzman, Autumn Pinneo and Kya Palik– alternates

8-9-year-old boys: Garrett Haggadone, Dawson Sandoz and Landen Gregg- alternates

10-11-year-old girls: Kinslee Kern, Murfee Nickels and Blakelyn Munoz-Rowe - alternates

10-11-year-old boys: Cayce Hager, Ashtyn Demuth and Drake Madole - alternates

Lost and Found

Leftover Lost and Found items will be donated over Christmas Break. Any items that were collected from the past few days of the 1st semester will be held aside.

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This month our school will be embarking on a special project, an all-school book club called **One School, One Book™**. Every family will receive a copy of the same book and will be asked to read it together at home over the next few weeks. I am personally asking you to make the time so that your family can participate in this special activity.

Reading aloud at home is valuable because it better prepares your child to be an effective reader, and it is a fun, worthwhile family activity. With the **One School, One Book™** program, we aim to build a Community of Readers at our school. Everyone – students, parents, teachers, and even administrative staff will all be following along together.

Your child will receive a copy of *this year's book* at a special school-wide assembly on January 10, 2020, introducing the program and the book. Along with the book, you will receive a reading schedule so that you can keep up at home. Generally, you will be asked to read about 15 minutes each night. In class, students will explore the book through activities and discussion. You will want to make sure your family keeps up so that your child can be included. Throughout the month, everyone will be talking about *this year's book!*

One School, One Book™ is a novel program in that children of all grade levels will all be *listening* to their parents read same book. Strange or daring as that may seem, it actually makes sound educational sense. *Reading professionals recommend reading material aloud that is beyond a child's own reading level.* We also believe that you can and should continue reading chapter books with your older children, even when they are able to read by themselves. We have selected a title that can be followed and understood and enjoyed by younger students, but will still captivate and stimulate older children.

I know that you will enjoy this special reading time with your children. I hope to talk with both you and your student sometime this month about Billy and his friends who constantly dare him to do silly things. "When a whole school reads a book, there's a lot to talk about." With your help, we can build a Community of Readers at our school.

-Mrs. Kavan
Media & Technology Integration

The Y.E.S. Library has been blessed with these book donations lately.





Ways to stay Safe & Healthy this Holiday Season

Wash your hands often.

Keeping hands clean is one of the most important steps you can take to avoid getting sick and spreading germs to others. Wash your hands with soap and clean running water, and rub them together for at least 20 seconds. Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. If you do not have tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve or elbow, not your hands

Stay warm.

Cold temperatures can cause serious health problems, especially in infants and older adults. Stay dry, and dress warmly in several layers.

Manage stress.

The holidays do not need to take a toll on your health and pocketbook. Keep your commitments and spending in check. Balance work, home, and play. Get support from family and friends. Keep a relaxed and positive outlook. Make sure to get proper sleep.

Get check-ups and vaccinations.

Exams and screenings can help find potential problems early, when the chances for treatment and cure are often better. Vaccinations help prevent diseases and save lives. Schedule a visit with your health care provider for needed exams and screenings. Ask what vaccinations and tests you should get based on your age, lifestyle, travel plans, medical history, and family health history. ***It is not too late to get the flu shot.***

Handle and prepare food safely.

As you prepare holiday meals, keep yourself and your family safe from food-related illness. Wash hands and surfaces often. Avoid cross-contamination by keeping raw meat, poultry, seafood, and eggs (including their juices) away from ready-to-eat foods and eating surfaces. Cook foods to the proper temperature. Refrigerate promptly. Do not leave perishable foods out for more than two hours

Eat healthy, and be active.

With balance and moderation, you can enjoy the holidays the healthy way. Choose fresh fruit as a festive and sweet substitute for candy. Limit fats, salt, and sugary foods. Find fun ways to stay active, such as dancing to your favorite holiday music. Be active for at least 2½ hours a week. Help kids and teens be active for at least 1 hour a day.

Have a wonderful Christmas season with your family and friends. This is a beautiful time of year to renew, recharge and refresh.

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January 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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5	6 School Resumes K-Orange 1st-5th-Orange	7 K-Purple 1st-5th-Purple	8 K-Green 1st-5th-Green	9 K-Red 1st-5th-Red	10 K-Blue 1st-5th-Orange Kickoff Pep Rally OSOB pgs 1-19	11
12	13 K-Orange 1st-5th-Purple Science Expo Info and Resource Night 5:30-6:30 OSOB pgs 20-30	14 K-Purple 1st-5th-Green OSOB pgs 31-38	15 K-Green 1st-5th-Red OSOB pgs 39-46	16 K-Red 1st-5th-Orange OSOB pgs 47-56	17 K-Blue 1st-5th-Purple SLUSHIES Pep Rally OSOB pgs 57-65	18
19	20 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21 K-Orange 1st-5th-Green OSOB pgs 66-76	22 K-Purple 1st-5th-Red OSOB pgs 77-90	23 K-Green 1st-5th-Orange OSOB pgs 91-99	24 K-Red 1st-5th-Purple All Stars OSOB pgs 100-111	25
26	27 K-Blue 1st-5th-Green OSOB pgs 112-119	28 K-Orange 1st-5th-Red KFC/Taco Bell Night OSOB pgs 120-125 and Afterword	29 K-Purple 1st-5th-Orange OSOB Catch up Day	30 K-Green 1st-5th-Purple OSOB Catch up Day	31 K-Red 1st-5th-Green SLUSHIES January Birthdays Free OSOB Celebration Day	



Breakfast Choices

Available every day, breakfast includes:

- Breakfast entrée or Choice of cereals with toast
- Fruit
- 100% Fruit Juice
- Milk choices



Fruit and Juice Available Every Day

Start your day off right

Breakfast Meal Prices & Extras

Student Breakfast	\$1.45
Adult Breakfast	\$2.25
Extra Milk	\$0.45

Menus are subject to change without notice.



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri				
	No School December 23 – January 3								
6	A. French Toast Sticks with Syrup Dipping Sauce B. Cereal Choices with Toast	7	A. Very Berry Overnight Oats B. Cereal Choices with Toast	8	A. Fresh Baked Biscuits and Gravy B. Cereal Choices with Toast				
Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Pears	Juice Choices Fresh Apple Wedges	Juice Choices Fresh Apple Wedges	Juice Choices Fresh Orange Slices	Juice Choices Applesauce				
13	A. Breakfast Sliders B. Cereal Choices with Toast	14	A. Maple Long John B. Cereal Choices with Toast	15	A. Home-style Stuffed Potato Breakfast Burrito B. Cereal Choices with Toast	16	A. Pancake Sausage Stick B. Cereal Choices with Toast	17	A. Dutch Waffle B. Cereal Choices with Toast
Juice Choices Mixed Fruit Cocktail	Juice Choices Fresh Apple Wedges	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Pears	Juice Choices Pineapple Tidbits				
20	NO SCHOOL								
27	A. Iced Long John B. Cereal Choices with Toast	21	A. Muffin & Goldfish Granams B. Cereal Choices with Toast	22	A. Waffles with Syrup B. Cereal Choices with Toast	23	A. Pancake and Sausage Links B. Cereal Choices with Toast	24	A. Fresh Baked Cinnamon Roll B. Cereal Choices with Toast
Juice Choices Mixed Fruit Cocktail	Juice Choices Sliced Orange Slices	Juice Choices Whole Blueberries	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Pears				
28	A. Fresh Baked Sausage Biscuit Sandwich B. Cereal Choices with Toast	29	A. Glazed Donut B. Cereal Choices with Toast	30	A. Ultimate Chocolate Chip Breakfast Round B. Cereal Choices with Toast	31	A. Fresh Baked Caramel Roll B. Cereal Choices with Toast		
Juice Choices Mixed Fruit Cocktail	Juice Choices Fresh Apple Wedges	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Peaches	Juice Choices Sliced Pears	Juice Choices Pineapple Tidbits				

Fruit & Veggie Bar & Milk Choices

Unlimited fruits and vegetables and choice of milk are included with the lunch meal everyday.

Each student is now required to have 1/2 cup of fruits or vegetables on their tray.



Lunch Meal Prices & Milk

ES Lunch	\$2.95	
Adult Lunch	\$3.75	Extra Milk \$0.45



Applications for Free and Reduced Price meals are available in the school office.

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
No School December 23 – January 3				
6 A. Chicken Pot Pie B. Cheeseburger C. Nacho Snackable Baked Beans	7 A. Classic Beefy Chili and Crackers B. Corn Dog C. Fresh Baked Ham & Turkey Sub Candied Carrots Cinnamon Roll Bread Pudding	8 A. Country Fried Steak B. Home-style Chicken & Noodles C. Chef Salad with Roasted Flatbread Mashed Potatoes with Country Gravy	9 A. Home-style Spaghetti B. Crispy Chicken Sandwich C. Fresh Baked Combo Sub Peas Gelatin Dessert	10 A. Cheese Quesadilla with Beef Enchilada Soup B. Pepperoni Pizza C. Ham & Cheese Snackable Green Beans
13 A. Italian Dunkers with Marinara Dipping Sauce B. Baked Breaded Fish Sandwich C. Pizza Snackable Steamed Carrots Home-style Pineapple Coleslaw	14 A. Chili Cheese Fritos B. Ham, Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich C. Fresh Baked Turkey & Cheese Sub Ranch Potatoes Apple Crisp	15 A. Pork Fritter Sandwich B. Traditional Beefy Lasagna C. Taco Salad with Tortilla Chips Golden Corn	16 A. Kickin' Beef Fajita B. Chicken Nuggets C. Fresh Baked Ham & Cheese Sub Calico Beans Fresh Baked Carnival Cookie	17 A. Cuban Hot Dog B. Pepperoni Pizza C. Pretzel Snackable Steamed Broccoli Florets
20 NO SCHOOL	21 A. Creamy Macaroni & Cheese B. Crispy Chicken Sandwich C. Fresh Baked Ham & Turkey Sub Peas Brownie	22 A. Country Potato Bowl with Fresh Baked Biscuit B. Beef & Bean Burrito C. Southwest Salad with Tortilla Chips Golden Corn	23 A. Pizza Pasta Bake B. Mini Corn Dogs C. Fresh Baked Italian Sub Green Beans Frozen Fruit Slush	24 A. BBQ Pulled Pork Sliders B. Pepperoni Pizza C. Dual Cheese Snackable BBQ Baked Beans
27 A. Home-style Scalloped Potatoes & Ham with Dinner Roll B. Cheeseburger C. Pizza Snackable Green Beans	28 A. Taco in a Bag B. Oven-Roasted Hot Dog C. Fresh Baked Ham & Cheese Sub Zesty Black Beans Cherry Crisp	29 A. Hearty Meatloaf with Dinner Roll B. Popcorn Chicken Bites with Dinner Roll C. Grilled Chicken Salad with Roasted Flatbread Mashed Potatoes with Brown Gravy	30 A. California Lasagna B. Breaded Beef Patty Sandwich C. Fresh Baked Roasted Chicken Sub Home-style Creamy Coleslaw Zesty Pasta Salad Frosted Chocolate Cake	31 A. Pizza Hut Pizza B. Baked Breaded Fish Sandwich C. Roasted Chicken & Cheese Snackable Mixed Vegetables