

October 26, 2011

Park Terrace Elementary Weekly News Update

Greetings from Kim Fehringer

Thank you for participating in Park Terrace conferences. The partnership between school and home is so important to the success of your child in school. The conversations that take place during conferences is one of the many ways we can partner for this common goal. Below are some strategies that both parents and teachers can do that help children believe they can succeed, and therefore do well in school.

1. Show you care. Our children need hugs and words of support.
2. Read, read, read. Read with your child everyday. Talk about what you have read.
3. Make home, as well as school, a place for learning. Stimulate the creativity of children. Practice the reading, writing, and math skills learned at school.
4. Promote healthy habits. Make sure your child gets plenty of sleep, exercise and eats balanced meals.
5. Be a role model and show you enjoy learning. Children learn from parents and teachers.
6. Encourage independence. Allow children to make mistakes and learn to accept their consequences.
7. Create a study routine.
8. Get involved with the events at your child's school if you can.
9. Build success. Help raise the self-esteem of children by setting reachable goals and praising the child's efforts, not just results.
10. Make school important. Insist on good attendance and punctuality.

Thank you for being an active participant in your child's education, and for allowing us the amazing opportunity to share in it with you!

Important Phone Numbers

Main
763-784-8983

Attendance/Health
763-783-5804

Transportation
763-785-5512

Lorenz Bus
763-201-8888

Voigt Bus
763-571-1241

Important Info.

- 11/03 Picture Retake Day
- 11/06 Daylight Savings
- 11/08 Election Day
- 11/10 Fundraiser Pickup from 3:30 to 7:30. Turkey Bingo from 6:00 to 8:00
- 11/11 NO SCHOOL
- 11/24 & 11/25 NO SCHOOL—Thanksgiving

PTA NEWS

Thank you to all the families who brought food or financial donations for Parent Teacher Conference meals. Everything was so appreciated!

Thank you to Julia Johnston for coordinating this event.

Thank you to families who shopped at the Book Fair and/or the Grand Event. It was great to see so many grandparents enjoying a roll and the morning with their grandchildren.

Mark your calendars, the next PTA meeting is Thursday, November 3.

PICTURE RETAKE DAY IS HERE

Retake day is Thursday, November 3. Original pictures must accompany student. Order forms are available in the office.



VOTE TUESDAY NOVEMBER 8, 2011

POLLS OPEN FROM 7:00AM - 8:00PM

LIVE IN **FRIDLEY** OR
SPRING LAKE PARK?
VOTE AT WOODCREST
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

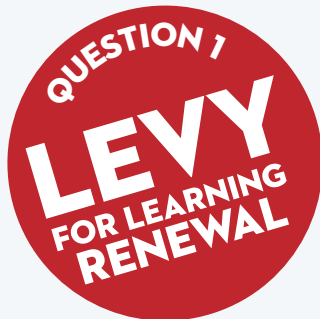
880 OSBORNE ROAD
FRIDLEY

LIVE IN **BLAINE?**
VOTE AT WESTWOOD
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

701 91ST AVENUE NE
BLAINE

TWO LEVY QUESTIONS

Renewal of Question 1 and passage of Question 2 would sustain and enhance current programming, and avoid reductions that would result in increased class sizes, cutting student programs, and increasing fees for student activities.



Renewal of a Levy for Learning approved in 2002 and set to expire in 2012. **Approval would not increase taxes**, renewal would maintain current funding and programs.



Reliable technologies in classrooms and daily operations (maintenance and repair, replacement schedule for aging computers)

Technology-rich classrooms to meet the varied needs of learners

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION

Six candidates are running for three seats on the board currently held by Gary Brisbin, Colleen Vranish, and Annette Winrick. Vranish filed for re-election, Brisbin and Winrick did not. The candidates are:

Jim Amundson
Bobbi George

Amy Hennen
Bill Lewis

Bryan Reynolds
Colleen Vranish

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