Smart-E-Pants

JANUARY

2016

January Nowsletter

Emergency & Snow

Because the snow and bad weather has known to show it's face, I thought it only appropriate to review our emergency and snow closure protocol. We realize that many of our parents do

not have children attending one of the local elementary schools, so we try very hard not to close or open late even when the school districts are on delay. Smart-E-Pants will try to only close in the event of freezing rain. This may mean opening late, closing early, or not opening at all, depending on the weather severity. We will contact parents by phone as soon as possible in the event that we need to close or will be on a delay. In the event that we lose power, parents will be contacted via a staff cell phone. Parents are responsible for picking up their child as quickly



as possible. Smart-E-Pants is equipped with flashlights. blankets and other supplies in the event the power is lost.

We are trying very hard to keep the driveway and parking areas clear. Please use extreme caution when walking to and from the building, as it can be very slippery.

Please send snow pants, water resistant gloves, hats, and snow boots with your child. We still like to send the kids outside for short amounts of time, and these items are extremely helpful. And please, make sure that these items are labeled!

Please feel free to contact Andrea if you have questions regarding Smart-E-Pants cancellations or delays: 490-9070 cell, or Ms. Veronica at 490-2014.

Immunization Time...

We are required by the State of Oregon to keep all our Smart-E-pants kids up to date with their immunizations. If your child is on the list we might just need you to fill out the immunization form or give us recent dates for past shots. If this is not done we legally cannot have your child attend school.

EXCLUSION DAY 2/17/16

Our thematic unit is Space/ Rockets/ Science.

Special points of interest:

- Thank you for all your generous sock donations to the Hood River Warming Shelter. Smart-E-pants was able to fill up the extra items bin for these cold nights.
- Feature children: Sawyer Stillwell & Averie Leko.
- · Happy Birthday to Ms. Alicia, whose birthday was on the 1st, Sawyer Stillwell turned 5 on the 3rd. Avery Leko will be 4 on the
- The staff would like to say "Thank You" for all the wonderful goodies. We loved them all...from the gift certificates to the candles!

Science

**Throughout the month we are going to try out our very own SEP science experiments. We are hoping to make fun creations as well as try to make things explode.

No School Monday January 18th Martin Luther King Day.

Curriculum Highlights

Language Arts: Some of ing into workbook B, C, &1. We are continuing to focus on mastering letter formation and letter sound. While our new and younger students are mov-

ing through workbook A learnour older students are mov- ing the letters f,b,m,t,k,r, letter recognition, and form.

> Math and Spanish: shape is the Rhombus, color is blue, light blue, and green, number recognition, complex patterns, sorting, and birthdays.