



Four Seasons Newsletter

November 2021

Regina Passwaters, Principal

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Calendar November:

- 7 Su Daylight Savings time begins-
turn clocks back 1 hour
- 10 W PTA Meeting 6:30 pm
- 11 & 12 Early Dismissals at 1:30 pm; No PM
Pre-K or ECI classes
- 22 M Late Arrival at 11:05 am;
No AM Pre-K or ECI classes;
Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 23 Tu Early Dismissal at 1:30 pm;
No PM Pre-K or ECI classes;
Parent/Teacher Conferences;
Harvest for the Hungry ends ;
Links to Report cards emailed to
parents for Grades 1-5
- 24-26 No school -Thanksgiving
Break

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Please remember to bring your ID when picking up students, visiting, volunteering/chaperoning, and when attending any Parent/Teacher conference.

FOUR SEASONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

OUR MISSION

Fostering a life long love of learning in a
Safe and orderly environment with
Excellent teachers facilitating
Students' active learning.



Principal's Message

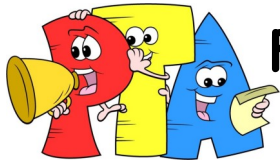
We have so much to be thankful for in our school community. Your support for school and children makes Four Seasons a wonderful learning environment. The staff joins me in wishing you and your family happy holidays. May your time together be filled with laughter, fun, and cherished memories! We'd like to also take the opportunity to thank our veterans. Thank you for your service!

Our shark shop is a success. We had 14,173 shark bucks turned in by October 15. Thank you to the PTA for helping buy shark shop supplies! Shout out to our students for displaying Safe, Hardworking, Accountable, Respectful, Kind behaviors.

We are implementing Splash Notes! Staff will email a family to recognize S.H.A.R.K. behaviors of a student! Be on the look-out for a splash email!

Please be sure to complete the First In Math and iReady each night. We are tracking student progress. We love to see our school listed as one of the top school performers!

Welcome to our newest interns from Salisbury. We have Sarah Bryant with Ms. Bernstein, Jenny Chi with Mrs. Santos, Allison Hunt with Mrs. Coe and Morgan McNulty with Mrs. Boyle. We welcome you to Four Seasons Elementary!



FOUR SEASONS PTA

We had a fun and successful October! The PTA hosted a night at Skate Zone and we profited \$1,315.00.

We also had our first Spirit Wear store of the school year. There were an abundance of orders and we cannot wait to see everyone rocking their spirit wear! Another store will open for the holiday season.

Our next PTA meeting is November 10 at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held in the music room. Please wear your mask.

Students will be bringing home coloring/writing worksheets for Military Appreciation Week. Please have your child complete and send back to school. We will hang up their work in the hallways. Also be on the look out for the list of your “teacher’s favorite things.” We will have it posted in time for the holidays!

Click here to view the
November
[School Meals Menu](#)



Please note that due to supply shortages, substitutions to the menu may occur.

Notes from the Nurse...

Quarantine:

To end quarantine early, a student or staff member must have a negative test administered between days 5 and 7 of quarantine. The test cannot be a home rapid test. If the test result is negative, the student can return to school on the day after Day 7 of quarantine (not on Day 7 of quarantine) provided they are symptom-free. **Documentation of the negative test must be provided to the school before the student can return. Negative test results must include student's name and the date the test was completed. Results should be emailed to Lasnyder1@aacps.org and Health3272@aacps.org**

Flu Shots:

Unfortunately, the school will not be able to offer flu vaccines for students this year. Please make arrangements with your child's pediatrician to have your child vaccinated against the flu.

Outdoor Recess:

Cooler weather is now here. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for outside activities, including recess.

Don't Forget Your Mask



Substance Abuse Lessons for Intermediate Students

During the month of December, Lori Stuart, our school counselor will deliver classroom lessons about **substance abuse** in all **third, fourth and fifth grade classrooms**. These lessons are important because schools provide a safe place where children can learn what to do in unfamiliar or uncomfortable situations. Trusted adults provide students with an opportunity to practice handling situations related to substance abuse, so that if and when students are faced with an unsafe situation, they have practiced and know how to respond. During these lessons, students will identify trusted adults, both inside and outside of the school, who they can go to for help.

The **substance abuse lesson** will focus on the following concepts with students:

Third Grade: Recognizing prescription vs. non-prescription drugs - safe use, choices, and problem-solving and an introduction to what opioid drugs are. Students will use the book, *'Charlie and the Curious Club: Candy or Medicine.'*

Fourth Grade: Learning about the physical effects of drugs, understanding why substance abuse is a problem, what addiction is, and identifying how they can contribute to solving the problem of substance abuse on a community level. They will work with materials from KidsHealth.com and recent news clips to define the problem and design a PSA, video clip, poster, etc. to address the problem.

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Fifth Grade: Learning and practicing strategies to deal with peer pressure, using refusal skills to build confidence to deal with situations when they might be asked to do drugs and recognizing the effects opioids can have on the brain. Students will receive a take-home pocket card that includes strategies and resources.

If you are interested in viewing the lessons, please click on [Elementary Core Counseling Curriculum](#), click on 'View All' and then 'Start Talking Maryland Lessons.' Families can opt out of having their child(ren) participate in the lesson and an alternative activity will be provided. Once the lesson is completed, follow-up materials will be sent home so that families can support their child's learning on this topic. If you have any questions or concerns about these lessons, please contact Lori Stuart, our school counselor, at ldstuart@aacps.org or (410) 222-6501.

Harvest for the Hungry

The 2021 Harvest for the Hungry campaign will be all virtual this year. All monies raised benefit the Arundel County Food & Resource Bank, which benefits families right here in Anne Arundel County. Every dollar donated is equivalent to donating 8 pounds of food! Please go to www.aacps.org/harvest to donate, now through November 23rd.



In Case of Emergency...We Need to Be Able to Reach you!

Thank you to everyone who completed an Emergency Card Verification Form. It is important that we always have the latest contact information for parents/guardians in case of a weather emergency, a student who is not feeling well, or is not picked up on time. As we have reviewed this year's cards, we have noticed that many families are repeating the same phone number for more than one contact person or are deleting the email address for the second contact. In case of emergency we need to have more than one phone number and email address on file. Please email your child's teacher with additional or new contact information, as we need these changes in writing.

Early Dismissal Reminder

We understand that emergencies happen and that sometimes you will need to pick up your child early. We ask that you arrive by 3:00 pm for early dismissals. After that time, it becomes increasingly difficult to park and leave the school grounds safely. On days when you anticipate an early dismissal please send your child to school with a green note to alert the teacher. Thank you!



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Please remind your student(s) to plug in their Chromebook when they arrive home from school each day so it is fully charged when they return to school the next day. Thank you!

Notice: Four Seasons Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior and exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is NOT monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events, when the safety or security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.

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