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BEYOND THE BELL NEWSLETTER



Northland Pines Elementary School - Room 216, 1700 Pleasure Island Rd, Eagle River
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Do you know you have the most awesome, creative, talented and terrific kids? Of course you do... So do we!

PARENTS: Please do not forget to call us when your child will not be here on their scheduled day.

NEW LIFE CONSEQUENCES SYSTEM

Have you been hearing about "chips", or heard your child say "I got a ticket today"! Well, have no fear we have not been letting them drive. We have implemented a "real life" consequence system. For remembering to do their "jobs" of checking in and out, carrying their center "keys", for remembering to walk in the hall, following directions, washing hands correctly, keeping their gear in place, cleaning up quickly, or just outstanding politeness, helpfulness, and gratitude... We have been awarding chips - (kind of like when you work in school - you get good grades - or when you work in life - you get paid.) Hopefully, our kids will soon reap the benefits of awesome behavior and it will become second nature. On the other hand, when we speed in real life, or break the law in other ways, we get fined or receive a ticket. So be it for us also. Breaking the sound barrier, running in the halls, not having silence when the lights go out can earn us a ticket which must be paid before we spend any of our hard earned chips. We have really had fun and success with this so far. The kids have also learned about "interest" and "saving" vs. "immediate spending" and "following the rules benefits" and just "consequences" in general.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday February 7th
Teacher Planning Day -
Please Sign Up!

NEW BREAKFAST MENU OPTIONS

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Monday - Hard Boiled Eggs

Tuesday - Pancakes, Waffles, or French Toast

Wednesday - Bagels or Specialty Toasts

Thursday - Oatmeal

Friday - Chef's Choice

All breakfasts are served with milk and seasonal fruits.

Cold cereals are offered daily.

THE COLD FACTS ABOUT SNOW DAYS

Northern Pines Elementary has posted a weather days announcement - Please see it posted on our entrance wall. They provide care and lunches for your child due to inclement weather...from 7:30 until 4:00.

NEW SNACK MENU

SNACKS

MONDAY - Roll-up Day (Cheese, Cheese/Dog, Dog, PBJ, Just Jelly)

TUESDAY - Cracker Day (Choice of cracker with topping)

WEDNESDAY - Yogurt Day

THURSDAY - Roll-up Day Again

Friday - Popcorn, Pretzels, or Chips and Salsa

All snacks include seasonal fruits and veggies.



WINTER FUN!



COLD FACTS ABOUT SNOW DAYS CONT'D

At Beyond the Bell we will be here as always from 6:30 until regular school time and 3:15 until 6:00. - Unless it is totally impossible to do so. In that case we will notify you. So rest assured, if it is your scheduled day we will make every possible effort to be at school. If it is their scheduled day we, as always, will make sure they get to their right care spot and will pick them up at their designated time.

PICK YOUR WAY OF ENSURING YOUR CHILD'S CARE

Everyone who is enrolled at Beyond the Bell has signed a contract for your child's care. Because I like to think of us as a family - I hate talking about contracts. However, business can't be run without them and without them we wouldn't have the opportunity to be family. There are two ways to contract your child's care... "drop in" and "regularly scheduled days". Choosing the drop in option you are billed the week after for days you have dropped in - really you are supposed to pay each day. You must call and check for availability. Also, should special days or summer come around persons with a regular contract will be accepted first and have first choice. Regularly scheduled children pay for their spot... it will always be available to them... you will receive credit for them when you have been here for a year for vacation time. If you are a regularly scheduled person - persons with a "full time schedule" you will be considered first for special days and/or summer. If your regularly scheduled day comes on a holiday that we have listed you will pay regular price for that day - rent and salaries and preparedness does not stop. Daycare has many wonderful benefits... however, if you are scheduled for a weather day that just cannot be made - again, rent, must be paid. Parents as much as it is a considerate cost - must consider child care in their budget. Hopefully you know that we try to provide the best childcare. We love your kids! We think of us as a family... we provide many benefits for your child every day. Northwoods Child Care and Beyond the Bell have kept the lowest possible prices. Thank you for being part of our family. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask us.