



SEPTEMBER

ALLENTON PARENT NEWS



Welcome Back! The 2018/19 school year is off to a wonderful start at Allenton Elementary! It was great seeing everyone at Open House.

Our theme for the 2018-2019 school year is...

Surf's Up for Learning!

But the school's vision will remain the same...

Together Everyone Achieves More!

As a TEAM, we will work on being Respectful, Responsible, Ready and Safe in all situations here at school. Teachers kicked off the school year with reviewing our rules and expectations. As part of recognizing positive behavior, we will continue to hand out coupons for good behavior that can be cashed in for prizes from the coupon cart.

I will continue to use the Remind app for updates, reminders and to send pictures of fun things happening at school. Signing up is easy. Text @allentonp to 81010 or email allentonp@mail.remind.com (nothing in the subject area is needed).

I am looking forward to a great year!

Angie Wickus, Principal

MEET the NEW ALLENTON OWLS

4K teacher- Mrs. Tami Draxler

Aide- Mrs. Pam Christnovich

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Sept. 10- Slinger High School Community Open House, 6-9:00 PM

Sept. 13- Picture Day (order forms were sent home)

Sept. 12- PBO meeting @ 6:30 in The Owl's Nest
FREE childcare available!

September 20- Parent Night, 5-6:00

September 24- School Board Meeting, 7:00

October 6- Allenton Community Fall Fest

October 16 & 18-Parent/Teacher Conf. 1:30-7:30
(watch for an email to sign up electronically)

INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY-Sept. 8

Here are some ways to celebrate the day: visit a library, read a book as a family, enjoy poetry by creating it or reading it, keep a journal (maybe while on vacation), play word games like Scrabble, complete a crossword, listen to an audio book or practice sight words using flash cards, sand, paint, chanting, clapping, etc. ENJOY READING!

PARENT NIGHT- Sept. 20, 5K-5th

Parents are welcome to attend an informational meeting on September 20th from 5-6:00 PM. Each grade level (5K-5th) will be presenting twice. The same information will be presented at 5:00 and again at 5:30 to allow families to attend more than one if there are multiple students at Allenton. Please contact the office

if you have 3 or more students attending Allenton and we will come up with a plan!

PBO GLOW WALK- Oct. 12th

The first big PBO event of the year will be on Friday, October 12th from 6:30-8 PM. You are invited to go on a mile long hike, illuminated with glow sticks and flashing lights. The details will be sent home soon! Please contact Lori Evert (lori.evert@hotmail.com) if interested in helping.

HOLIDAY PROGRAM- Dec. 20th

Please note the **NEW TIMES!!!!**

Our holiday program is scheduled for Thursday, December 20th. Students in grades 5K-5th grade will perform at both the **9:30 AM** and **1:30 PM** concerts.

Parents with last names beginning A-L are encouraged to attend the 9:30 program. Parents with last names beginning with M-Z are encouraged to attend the 1:30 show.



We do still have a full, fun day of school on Friday, December 21st.

The 4K classes will have a program on Friday, December 14th.

SCHOOL HOURS, 8:40-3:40

The first bell rings at 8:30. Classes start promptly at 8:40 AM. Please do not drop your child off before 8:25 a.m.

SCHOOL SAFETY

The main doors are only unlocked for a few minutes at the start of the day and then locked again by 8:40 AM. During school hours, please push the button by the far left door and then proceed to the locked door on the left, where you will be let in to the office.

VISITORS WELCOME

Visitors are always welcome, and we appreciate your understanding with checking in at the office, supplying us with a driver's license, and wearing a name badge while on the school grounds.

We ask that if you need to walk in with your child at the start of the day to bring your driver's license and get a badge from the office before walking past the entrance. Thank you!

READING SUPPORT

Reading Specialists will be having flexible reading intervention groups starting September 10th. They will be meeting with students based on year-end data. After **STAR testing and additional assessments are given during September 17-28**, we will begin formal interventions in early October. You will receive notification if your child will be part of a formal intervention.

MEDICAL INFORMATION REMINDER

It is very important that the school office receive communication regarding any health condition your child has which may require extra attention. This information will be kept confidential. If you did not indicate important medical information on your child's registration form or a medical condition has occurred over the summer, contact the office right away.

LUNCH & BREAKFAST MENUS

You can find the menus on the Allenton School website: www.slinger.k12.wi.us/schools/allenton/ Click on the Breakfast and Lunch Menus tab. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the school office and a menu will be sent home with your child.

DAILY ATTENDANCE

We are required to keep accurate attendance records on all students. The cumulative attendance record on the report card will summarize all days absent and all days arriving

late and/or departing early. A tardy is recorded for students who arrive late or depart early. Students leaving during the day and returning are also marked accordingly.

We know it is challenging, but we encourage parents to schedule appointments outside the 8:40 AM -3:40 PM school day. It is expected that children have less than 10 absences or tardies for the academic year.

END OF THE DAY

Whenever there is a change in your child's destination at the end of the day, (example: they are going to a friend's house on the bus, or you are picking your child up after school instead of riding the bus) please send a note to the teacher. If plans change during the day, please be sure to call the school **BEFORE 3:00 PM** in order to have that message given to your child. If you call after 3:00, the message may not get to your child before dismissal.

CLASSROOM TREATS

Please remember to send easy-to-eat treats or snacks for birthdays, celebrations, etc. that do not require cutting, scooping, paper plates or napkins. Also, be aware that there are individual students at Allenton Elementary who have allergies to certain foods so contact your child's classroom teacher in advance to plan accordingly for treats being shared within the classroom.

HOMework FOR SICK STUDENTS

Most students who are sick for one day can get caught up the next day rather easily. Therefore, we would suggest that students and parents focus on getting better and not worry about requesting homework for a one-day absence. On the second day of absence, we are glad to have homework ready for parents to pick up in the office.



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Welcome back to school! It is so great to see all of the returning students again and to meet the new students. During my visits to each classroom this month, I will review Bucket Filling with all of the students. The idea is based on the book: Have You Filled a Bucket Today? In the book, the students learned that everyone carries an invisible bucket, and people feel happy when their buckets are full and they feel sad when their buckets are empty. So how do you fill a bucket? You fill a bucket when you do or say something kind to someone. The students will be challenged to think about their actions and make an effort to fill others' buckets with kindness every day. We will also start working with Zones of Regulation. This is a program that encourages children to self-monitor their emotions and teaches them skills to help regulate emotions. Look for more information about this program throughout the school year.

~Mrs. O'Brien, School Psychologist/Counselor

ART ROOM REQUESTS

The art room is in need of plastic ice cream lids from the gallon-size buckets. It may say 5 quarts now, but you get the idea.

If you work in a place where you have "garbage" that is interesting like plastic containers or cardboard.... (so many different things could work) please consider how they might be used in an art project. Please contact me before bringing items to school.

Thank you,

Mrs. Wetak patrice.wetak@slingerschools.org

PBO UPDATE

Allenton's outstanding PBO (People Behind the Owls) has lots of great plans for the school year. The first meeting of the year will take place September 13th at 6:30 in The Owl's Nest (a new room by the gym). Our new staff members will be there to meet you! Parents, you are encouraged to attend and get involved.

There is FREE childcare during every PBO meeting!

(If you have your Babysitting Certification and would be interested in helping out with childcare at our meetings, please contact the PBO at allentonpbo@yahoo.com)



PBO thanks the following volunteers:

Amy Baier- SchoolKids Kits
Julie Kline - Teacher Welcome Back Breakfast
Jamie Wiedmeyer-School Spiritwear
Melissa Nettesheim, Jen Carvou, Jamie Wiedmeyer, Lori Evert- Boo Hoo / Yahoo! Breakfast (Parent Breakfast)

Use this link when shopping on Amazon to earn free \$ for the school:

http://www.amazon.com/?_encoding=UTF8&tag=allelepbo-20

2018/19 PBO Officers

President: Lori Evert
Vice President: Jamie Wiedmeyer
Treasurer: Melissa Nettesheim
Secretary: Lori Arts

*Continue to collect BoxTops for a chance at our raffle drawings! New sheets are in the lobby.

Check out the PBO's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/AllentonPBO>

Good luck to our fifth grade football players. GO Owls!

