

## Swan's Island School

### October 2, 2020

Dear Families,

Our Walk or Bike to School program has started. For the month of October, students and family members are encouraged to get out and walk/bike to school. Thank you Mimi for organizing and overseeing this program!

Paul will continue to run the morning bus, but is running it 15 minutes later, for the month of October. Paul will also begin our afternoon bus routes on Monday, October 5th. Please be sure to send a note in with your child, if they are not riding the bus. The bus will leave at 2:55 for the first route (towards Red Point). The second route will leave once Paul has dropped off the first group of students. If you know that your child will not be riding the bus in the afternoons, please send in a note or call Raylene. You can send a note in for the day, week or month. **Any student without a note will be sent home on the bus.**

Leah handed out Jump Rope for Heart prizes on Wednesday. Students completed their jumps back in February, but due to school closure we had to postpone handing out prizes. We are so proud of our students for once again raising over \$1000 for the American Heart Association!

Corona Relief Funds have been given to every school. Thanks to these funds, we have begun to upgrade to touchless sinks, soap dispensers and hand sanitizer stations. We were also able to pay for all of our personal protective equipment (masks, gloves, face shields, etc.) with these funds. Fans were purchased for each classroom and each student received individual student supplies. Finally, we were able to purchase a washer and dryer to wash our cleaning cloths, masks, etc. We are grateful for these funds and are currently working on developing a plan for the second round of CRF that has just been issued to schools.

A big thank you to the families who have donated tissues, hand sanitizer and Clorox wipes! It has been extremely helpful.

Reminders from PE:

- \*\*bring sneakers on PE days (you can also leave a pair at school)
- \*\*bring a water bottle
- \*\*bring a hair tie, if you have long hair
- \*\*wear comfortable clothes (layers are encouraged)

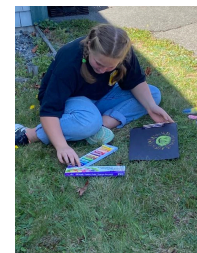
If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at [cdagraca@mdirss.org](mailto:cdagraca@mdirss.org) or 812-8939.

Happily,  
Mrs. DaGraca

### Athletes of the Week (Week 1-3)



### Art Photos



### Walk/Bike to School



## **K-2 Update from Janice**

It is so great to be back at school! We have many different rules to follow and our day looks very different than usual but we are having a great time.

Some of the things that we really enjoy are playing games at recess, Sue's amazing breakfasts and lunches, P.E. class, using our Ipads, and Flashlight Friday.

We are working really hard learning to keep distances, wearing our masks and not touching other people's belongings.

Thank you for sending a change of clothes to keep at school. It has been very helpful to have items here. Everyone is doing a great job remembering to bring clean masks and water bottles to school every day.

Please look for books in your child's backpack on Fridays. They are very excited to read their books to you. Please have your child return their book to school on Mondays.

Also, on Mondays your child will be bringing home a list of words or letters to study and practice for a Spelling test on Friday.

Stay tuned next month for some exciting news about what we have been learning and doing in school. I am really enjoying having your children in school. If you ever have any questions, feel free to call me. ( 207-460-7808 )

## **K-2 Social Distance Snack Time**



## **Flashlight Friday**

