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Upcoming Events:

Monday, February 14 - Friday, February 18 - Bring the Change Fundraiser (see attached)

Monday, February 21 - No School for Presidents' Day

Thursday, February 24 - Author T.L. McBeth visits our K-6th grade students

Friday, March 18 - Kindergarten Screening. Current Kindergarten students <u>will not have</u> school on March 18. Kindergarten Screening information is on the mainpage of our website under 'District News' https://www.arlingtonlocalschools.com/upload/news/2022_flyer_docx.pdf

Morning Drop Off Information:

The following are some guidelines that we have tried to establish for morning drop off. These are "POINTS OF EMPHASIS"; these are not solutions that guarantee zero issues. This messaging has remained consistent for many years.

- 1. Please only allow your child to exit the vehicle in the drop off line along the sidewalk curb. In other words, students should not exit the vehicle along the grass. When one vehicle chooses to allow their child to exit along the grass, it seems to encourage more to do it that are following behind them. What happens is some will do this and it will take a very long time to exit the car, and then others behind that car get impatient and they also allow their children to exit. This is NOT what we want. This is why we have a sign on the corner that reads, "Please Pull Ahead to Drop Off."
- 2. When you enter the drive, you need to prepare to wait until the sidewalk curb is clear. At that time, several vehicles can approach the sidewalk curb and allow for a drop off.
- PLEASE move as far to the south on the sidewalk curb as possible. Again, this
 allows other approaching vehicles to enter into the sidewalk zone to drop off. If
 you stop mid-way, less vehicles are able to enter into the sidewalk zone and
 traffic backup occurs on S.R. 68.
- 4. When children exit the vehicle, it is best if the parent remains in the driver seat and DOES NOT ASSIST WITH THE EXIT. Doing so makes the stop and drop much longer. If your child needs assistance to exit, utilize the parking lot.
- 5. South turns out of the parking lot are encouraged. This helps keep the exit flow clear.

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Calamity/ Remote Learning Update:

We have the potential for more calamity days for the remainder of the school year. Future calamity days may require Remote Learning. You will find the messaging for 'Remote Learning' included in the notification of the calamity day. Our goal is not to overwhelm any students, but we realize this will be a change from what children are used to on a calamity day. Ex. "What do you mean I have work to do?"

We understand limits to access in technology at home, including the number of devices available for multi-children homes. We also understand that our youngest children may not have the competence to maneuver the computer. Therefore, we want to make sure that our 'Remote Learning' days are not necessarily 'Virtual Learning' days.

Most tasks will be able to be completed without the use of technology. If tasks do require technology, our teachers will be flexible if your child is not able to complete the task.

Please look for further communication from your child's teacher.

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