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## Bless the Backpack Program

The Arlington Local School and community members are working together to maintain family participation with our Bless the Backpack program.

This program provides meals to be sent home each Friday that school is in session. With our current economy, many families are struggling to make ends meet. This program is designed for families who have genuine needs and is completely optional. If you would benefit from this program, please call Mrs. Ginter in the elementary office and your name can be added to the distribution list. You may discontinue the program at any time. We do our best to fill all needs, but cannot guarantee that we can.

The money for the items is donated by area churches, Good Samaritan Nursing Home, and community members.

If you have further questions or are interested in signing up, please contact Mrs. Ginter at 419-365-5123 ex 244.

# Mrs. Inniger's K-6 Art Classes

Parents, Hello from the Art Room!

Throughout this school year, your child will be coming home with artwork that they have made during their time with me. Due to Covid-19, all artwork will be sent home and not stored at school. Please keep your child's work in a safe place. If we are able to have an Arts Festival in May, I will ask that you return SOME of your child's work to school so that it can be displayed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Thanks Mrs. Jane Inniger

#### Dear Parents,

Thank you for all your efforts in supporting your child's education. While our structure and schedule is much different than past years, the staff has found many positives encountering these changes. We are thankful for establishing a school schedule that includes students attending 5 days per week in our elementary. Students are situated in very small groups, where teachers are able to provide more individualized feedback and guidance to students. Students remain engaged at a higher level for the time they are here, with overall less disruptions to the learning environment. Great job students! Thank you parents, and thank you Arlington Staff!

We know this has not been easy for our parents, while coordinating schedules and logistics, but we do appreciate your active involvement and thank you for your patience. Normally in the fall, we hold some evening sessions for parent teacher conferences. This year, we will instead consider our conferences to be ongoing and as needed. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher to set up a time to meet if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Scott Marcum, Elementary Principal

### Save the Dates:

Jac & Do's Pizza Sunday for PTO is always the third Sunday of the month

Fall Pictures Make-Up Day	10/19
5th Grade Iowa/ Cog At Testing	10/19 through 10/23
3rd Grade ELA State Testing	10/20 through 10/21
3rd Grade Iowa/ Cog At Testing	10/26 through 10/30
Red Ribbon Week	10/26 through 10/30
End of the 1st nine weeks	11/6
Grade Cards Go Home	11/13

# FINAL FORMS PARENT EMAIL SENT 9/29/2020

Dear K-6 parents,

In the event that our County Level changes to Red, our students would shift into a Remote Learning Environment. We are hopeful that this does not happen, but we want to make preparations so that learning and instruction can continue.

As a reminder from the district's attendance model shared in August, if our County would advance to a 'Red' level, we would prepare to start remote learning on Monday of the following week.

If your family would be in need of an electronic device under this situation of 'Level Red' remote learning, please fill out the survey below. In a Hancock County 'Level Red', students would need to have daily access to a laptop, desktop or tablet so that they can receive instruction from their teacher.

In completing the survey, we can compile names and have an accurate account of the devices that would need to be distributed to our elementary students. Please understand, families with multiple children in the elementary may only be granted one device, based upon the level of need that we receive from the survey. <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VD5TL8H</u>

Thanks, Scott Marcum- Elementary Principal