



MCPOLIN OFFICE UPDATES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18th, 2020

Dear parents and caregivers,

Welcome one and all to the last full week of school for the month of November. We are about to conclude the fourth month of our 2020-21 school year, which has all been held in person. That alone is well worth a celebration!

As we get closer to the Thanksgiving holiday and break, what better time to share appreciations.

- **Students:** You have been the energy and the calm that has kept us all going and smiling. Thank you for taking everything in stride and making the best of everything. We marvel at how easily you adjust day-to-day and week-to-week.
- **Parent and caregivers:** None of what we have accomplished thus far would happen without your patience, hard work, and support! Thank you for your willingness to adjust to a very different elementary school experience. The fact that we are still going strong with in person learning has everything to do with your efforts to be safe and supportive.
- **TEACHERS!:** I cannot be more sincere when I suggest our teachers have super powers. As always, and more than ever, it is all about students! To see the teachers' passion and servant's hearts in action will undoubtedly be one of my most powerful and memorable experiences. The time spent planning, adjusting the plan and the creativity to create a safe classroom for all students/families is undeniable. I have never been so proud to be a public educator and a part of the Park City School District.

As we all leave for the Thanksgiving break I must encourage each and every one of us **to be safe and to remember whatever decisions you make outside of school will eventually become a part of our school.** We understand the need to honor family and traditions. As we make choices, if there is the slightest doubt or concern that you were exposed to someone feeling COVID symptoms or in close contact to others you normally are not, stay home until you are confident you and/or your children are healthy. We have proven that schools are safe and can stay open. At school, we have a certain amount of control with masking and distancing. Everyone is impacted and put into harm's way when decisions outside of school are brought to school. I will say it again – **When in DOUBT – STAY OUT!**

I will close by repeating what a positive and amazing year we are all having. It truly is hard to believe how well our school year is going. Our success is the result of everyone putting aside personal interests for the greater good for all. We must continue to make keeping schools open our collective priority. An amazing moment if we think about it during this very divisive time. A school community coming together for all of us and doesn't it feel good! Be safe and have a wonderful break!

Sincerely,
Bob Edmiston

Important dates and events:

- Monday, November 23rd
 - 8:20-8:45am -Motivated Moose assembly
 - Trimester #1 report cards sent home
- **Thanksgiving Break:**
 - **NO SCHOOL Wednesday, November 23rd to Friday, November 27th Return to school on Monday, November 30th**