# Doyon News

### **OCTOBER 7, 2021**

# DEAR DOYON FAMILIES,

Thank you to Kindergarten and First Grade parents that attended the Principal's Coffee last Friday morning. Next Friday morning, October 15th between 9:00 and 10:00 am, I will be welcoming any second and third-grade parents to enjoy coffee and conversation outside under the tent. The October weather has been gifting us with beautiful days, so let's enjoy it.

Students have been using the outside as well, as popular activities during recess include soccer and the swings. During lunch, we will be getting back to Green Team initiatives such as waste reduction, composting, and recycling. When cleaning up in



the cafeteria, students learn what items can be composted and how to reduce waste. Even our school lunch trays are compostable. Some classrooms are collecting harvests from school gardens, including grape tomatoes and small pumpkins! We are also lucky to be receiving shipments of apples from Russell Orchards, thanks to a partnership between the orchard, Food Service Director Meghan Persson, and parent volunteer, Katie Elliot. Thank you for helping to bring fresh local food to Doyon students!

Don't forget that Monday is no school due to Indigenous People's Day, and Tuesday is a Teacher Professional Day.

Have a wonderful long weekend,

Sarah O'Brien, Principal

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SCHOOL?

Doyon School Calendar



# **NO SCHOOL DAYS**

Monday, October 11th ~ Indigenous People's Day Tuesday, October 12th ~ Professional Development Day

# FALL WALK AND RIDE TO SCHOOL

The Fall "Walk and Ride to School" day has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 20th. More info to follow!

Any parents/guardians interested in helping lead a walk or bike ride from a meet up spot please contact Whitney at <u>wcardew@ipsk12.net</u>.



WHAT DO YOU DO ON A SATURDAY?



## READ AND SHARE

Kindergarten students read and share, based on this text.



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Will soon be visiting the Doyon library!

### D.E.E.P. ~ DOYON'S AFTERSCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM!

We are getting ready for a new session of D.E.E.P! Students will have the opportunity to enjoy enrichment activities after school.

But we need your help to make it happen! Are you interested in volunteering or sharing an

and Wednesdays. D.E.E.P. will be held during the weeks of November 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29. Questions? Email Laura Repplier <u>lrepplier@ipsk12.net</u> or Susan Lopez <u>slopez@ipsk12.net</u>.

### Use this form to volunteer



### **CURRICULUM CORNER**

Periodically in the Doyon News, we will be highlighting a different area of the curriculum. This week, please read the following information from Doyon Reading Specialist, Susan Moore. Mrs. Moore has been a speech language pathologist and reading specialist for 24 years, and has been here at Doyon for seven years. Mrs. Moore works with all of the teachers and students at Doyon.

### **Literacy Program Overview**

### What does your students' literacy block include?

An effective literary program supports the five (5) components of reading identified by the National Reading Panel—phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

# Reading & Writing: Lucy Calkins Units of Study in Reading & Writing:

Reading and writing workshops are designed to offer a simple and predictable environment so that the teacher can focus on the complex work of observing students' progress and teaching into their needs. Each session begins with a minilesson. Kids sit with a long-term partner while in the minilesson. The mini-lesson ends with the kids being sent off to their own independent work. As students work, the teacher confers with them and leads small groups. Partway through independent work time, the teacher stands and delivers a midworkshop teaching point. The workshop ends with a share. **Phonics/ Vocabulary/ Spelling**:

**Heggerty Phonemic Awareness Curriculum - Kindergarten:** A curriculum of daily phonemic awareness lessons.

**Fundations K-3**: Fundations® is a multisensory and systematic phonics, spelling, and handwriting program for K-3 students.

**Words Their Way (4th & 5th grade):** *Words Their Way* is a teacher-directed, student-centered approach to vocabulary growth and spelling development where students engage in a

variety of sound, pattern, and meaning activities, sorting pictures and words. *Words Their Way* enables teachers to assess, clearly identify, and document each student's spelling stage, group students with common needs, and tailor activities to improve students' spelling knowledge.

### Lexia K-5:

Lexia Core5 Reading is a technology-based reading program that provides explicit and in-depth instruction in six areas of reading (phonological awareness, phonics, structured analysis, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension) for students in Pre-K through Grade 5. Core5 provides a truly adaptive and individualized learning experience that enables students at every tier of instruction to advance their reading skills.

#### How do we know our students are making progress?

We use the following assessments:

#### **DIBELs for grades K-3**

DIBELS ® (Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) is a set of procedures and measures for assessing the acquisition of literacy skills. They are designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures that can be used to regularly detect risk and monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills in kindergarten through eighth grade.

### **RAPID for grades K-5**

Lexia- Rapid is an adaptive assessment that helps us understand our students' reading and language skills. The Rapid assesses a students' word recognition, academic language, and reading comprehension.

### DRA (Developmental Reading Assessment -K-2) & BAS (Benchmark Assessment System 3-5)

Identify each student's reading level during this one-on-one, student-teacher assessment conference. A benchmark assessment system is a series of texts that can be used to identify a student's current reading level and progress along a gradient of text levels over time.

Please reach out if you have any questions about the Reading Curriculum. Thank you to Mrs. Moore for sharing with the Doyon News!

# **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS:**

## IPSWICH FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

Dear Doyon Parents,

We at the Ipswich Fire Department are pleased to invite your family to stop by this Saturday, October 9th, between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm for our Open House.

This year's event has been planned with your kids in mind. There will be a chance to explore all our vehicles, dress in kid-sized Ipswich Firefighter gear, and take a run through our Firefighter Obstacle Course. We also have some cool gifts to share with them for Fire Prevention Week.



In addition, there will be demonstrations at Noon and 1:00 of how we use our hydraulic extrication tools to rescue patients from wrecked-up cars, and we will have technicians on hand to check and install kids' car seats.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday!

## **IHS GIRLS' LACROSSE FUNDRAISER**

It is almost that time to start thinking about the Holiday season!

The Girls Lacrosse Team will be doing our annual Holiday Wreath fundraiser. Wreaths are \$25 each. Please see the attached flyer and use the QR code to order. Although this seems early, it will be here before you know it. Wreaths will be available for pickup in Ipswich at the end of November - more information to come once we get closer. Orders will be accepted until October 22nd.

Thank you so much for considering supporting the IHS Girls Lacrosse Team :)



Glax Wreaths.pdf Use the QR code to order Download



### WINTER WARM UP SALE

Ascension Memorial Church, 31 County Street, will be hosting its 15th annual Winter Warm Up Sale on Saturday October 16th from 9am - 2pm & Sunday October 17th from 11am - 1pm.

This event offers gently used and new winter clothing and accessories at great prices. All proceeds go to Birth to Three and Ipswich Caring. Find out more about the <u>Winter Warm Up</u> <u>Sale</u>

# WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

October Lunch Menu

