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For Your Calendar

- Sept. 20 4:00pm P.T.A. in the library
- Sept. 24 4:00pm School Accountability Committee in the library
- Oct. 8 Book Fair begins
- Oct. 15 No School - Teacher Workday
- Oct. 22 No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:00-8:00pm
- Oct. 23 No School - Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:00-8:00pm
- Oct. 26 Book Fair Ends
- Oct. 29 No School - Teacher in-Service Day

Dear Appleton Community,



On September 13, Appleton 3rd graders participated in a Skype presentation with scientist, Shane Petch. Shane is studying Weddell seals in Antarctica. These unique animals have no land predators and can weigh up to 1500 pounds. Shane will fly to our most southern continent at the end of this month, just in time for spring and pup season. He anticipates that the team of 6 scientists from Montana State University will tag 750 new seals. Each pup will be weighed, DNA samples taken, and all will receive a number that will help the scientists track them throughout their lives. This study, sponsored by the National Science Foundation, has been going on for 50 years. Learning about these mammals helps scientists understand other mammals throughout the world. As you can imagine, the 3rd graders had many questions about Shane's work. The students want to know what the team eats, if they like their job, and what the weather is like. All of the questions from Mrs. Petch's class will travel with Shane to Antarctica. The team will answer the questions and then mail the answers back to the students. We are all very excited to share in this adventure with Shane!
p.s. Mrs. Petch is very proud of her son.

Special Thank You

Appleton's north building bathrooms received a colorful and inspiring upgrade on Sept. 17. Appleton parent volunteers: Chelsi Reimer, Joy Zeller, Heather Kendall, Susie Flores, and Laura Ludlam painted the stall doors with bright and colorful inspirational quotes. Some of them included:

- Have big dreams. You will grow into them.
- Do what is right, not what is easy.
- Be a rainbow in someone else's cloud.
- Your attitude determines your direction.

We appreciate the time and effort these volunteers put in to making our school even better for kids. Thank you!

Appleton Carnival Donations Needed

The Appleton Carnival is set for Friday, November 2. This is one of Appleton's traditional fun events that supports many programs within our school. More details will be coming out later but if you can support the silent auction it would be greatly appreciated. We are accepting items that you or a business you are associated with, are willing to donate. Free services, gift cards, and goods are all appreciated. Approximately 1,000 people attend the carnival. Donating an item from your business is a great way to advertise. Contact the Appleton office to donate at 254-6400.

P.T.A. Meeting

PTA will meet for the second time this year on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 4pm in the library. Meetings last under 1 hour and we don't mind if you bring little siblings. Everyone is welcome to come find out all the positive things we are doing for your kids.

School Accountability Committee Meeting

The Appleton School Accountability Meeting has changed dates. Please plan to attend Monday, September 24 at 4:00pm in the library. We will be discussing our academic results, plan for improvement, safety, and the teacher evaluation system.

Best Regards,

Corey Hafey

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"Expect Excellence!"