

SAND LAKE ELEMENTARY MISSION STATEMENT

The staff, families, and community members of Sand Lake Elementary accept the responsibility to educate all students within a positive environment, enabling them to reach their potential academically, socially, and emotionally.

PARENT NEWSLETTER - November 28, 2011

WINTER WEATHER & RECESS:

We will soon begin experiencing cold, snowy weather conditions. By this time, your children should be wearing hats, boots, gloves/mittens, winter coats and snow pants. Wind chills are monitored and students are expected to go outside whenever the wind chill is above zero.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS:

We never know when there will be an emergency closing due to bad roads, heating problems in the school, or a shortened day because of bad weather. Please talk to your child about what to do if he/she should arrive home and no one is there (i.e., go to a neighbor, etc.).

IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO KEEP UP TO DATE PHONE NUMBERS ON FILE AT SCHOOL AS WELL.

SKATING PARTY: Another Sand Lake Elementary Family Skating Party is planned for next **Tuesday, December 6th** at the Skate Estate in Howard City (from 6-8 pm). A reminder note will be sent next week.

HOLIDAY BAND CONCERT: Our students will be going to Tri County High School on **Monday, December 19th** to enjoy a concert presented by the high school band. Buses will leave Sand Lake Elementary at approx. 9:00 a.m. & will return at around 10:45 a.m.

NEW PARKING LOT: Construction has been completed of the new parking lot located east of our school. We are very thankful for the 24 additional parking spaces this lot provides us.

SHIRT SALE: There's still time to order your Sand Lake/Tri County sweatshirts and/or t-shirts. We'll accept orders through this week **Wednesday, November 30th**. Please contact the school office for more information.

SCHOOL BANK: Upcoming bank days are **November 30th** and **December 14th**.

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS:

*The next regular Booster Club meeting will be held on **Tuesday, Dec. 6th** at 3:15 p.m.

*This year's Kids Christmas Shop will be held from **Dec. 12th-14th**. There will be a wide variety of items to select from. More information will go home with students soon.

DONATION: Sand Lake Elementary was recently selected to receive a \$500 ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Grant.

J & H Family Stores/Pierson Mobil secured this grant for our school. Thank you, ExxonMobil, for your generous donation to our school.

We also appreciate and thank J & H Family Stores/Pierson Mobil for thinking of the students & staff at Sand Lake Elementary.

CHRISTMAS BREAK: Christmas vacation starts on **Wednesday, December 21st**. School will resume on **Wednesday, January 4, 2012**.

