

Principal's Message on 11/05

Good Evening Stallion Families,

It was a busy week of learning with Spirit Week, bus evacuation drills, and lessons within the classroom.

- Thank you to the students that presented their Watershed projects in Ms. Khadir and Ms. Thompson's classrooms. We appreciate the families that were able to come in to hear these informative projects.
- Thank you to Ms. Saltzman, Mr. Mr. Tkaczyk, Ms. Kleinman, and our patrols for their help during bus evacuation on Tuesday.

Veteran's Day Assembly: Friday, November 10th, 9:20- 9:50 AM

We are collecting photos to create a display of veterans to show during our assembly. Please submit photos electronically via the google form. Please keep in mind that all photos must be school appropriate and may not contain images of violence or weapons.

We will also have a reception for veterans that will include light refreshments prior to our assembly. The Veteran reception will be held in the media center from 8:30-9:15 AM. The assembly will directly follow from 9:20-9:50 AM.

- **If you and/or a member of your family are a veteran, please complete the following information and return to your child's teacher by Friday, November 3rd.**
- **Please complete the form below if you would like to send in photos to be displayed during the assembly, <https://forms.gle/stqY4w8Z5dRwegZ47>**

Thank you for helping our Stallion community celebrate your heroic service!

New: Yummy Popcorn: Order in time for winter break and support our 5th Graders!

Our 5th graders need your help. Fifth grade is a year full of celebration as our students commemorate their elementary school years. To make it memorable for them as we plan our ceremony, celebrations, and more, we need EVERYONE in the school community to help.

- Please order and tell your family and friends about our Popcorn Fundraiser, the popcorn is delicious and if ordered during this four-day event, will be delivered in time for you to enjoy during winter break.

- [CLICK HERE](#) for the link and share with family and friends. Remember to order some popcorn for yourself too!

A promotional graphic for a popcorn fundraiser. At the top, the words "Popcorn Fundraiser" are written in a large, red, cursive font. Below the text, two orange and white popcorn buckets are shown, one upright and one tipped over, with popcorn spilling out. The background is a light yellow. Text on the left side reads "Support the 5th Graders. Order in time for Winter Break!". Text on the right side reads "Fundraiser Runs from November 13th - 17th". In the center, it says "Create a Pop-Up Store and sell Double Good popcorn!". Below that, it states "Our fundraising window begins on November 13, 2023, at 5:00 PM and goes until November 17, 2023, at 5:00 PM.". A list of instructions follows: "Before the fundraiser begins: 1. Download the Double Good app, 2. Enter our event code APGYWQ in the app, 3. Create your Pop-Up Store". At the bottom, it says "The app is available for free on iOS and Android."/>

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New: Recycle My Battery Communication.

"Join Our Battery Recycling Program! Snowden Farm Elementary School is teaming up with Recycle My Battery, MD.

- Students, bring your used batteries to school and drop them in our collection box at the front office.

Let's work together to make our Earth a better place!"

Caregiver Feedback

Snowden Farm is always striving to best meet the needs of our students by collecting information on improving our processes.

- Please help us in this effort by responding to our caregiver survey:
<https://forms.gle/PTtMU8pT8hw28vM97>
- We will be sending this survey every quarter to ensure that families are provided a voice and have an outlet to submit feedback to our school team on a regular basis.

We appreciate you working with us in partnership to serve our students!

Updates from the PTA

Scholastic Book Fair:

- Our Fall Scholastic Book Fair takes place **November 13th through the 17th** (see attached for more information).
 - We are moving the fair from the Media Center to Room 170.
- Please visit our [book fair homepage](#) for more information.
 - There is also a link to sign up for E-wallet which is a great way to provide money to your child to purchase items from the book fair.
 - For those that have signed up for e-wallets in the past, remaining funds do not automatically move over from fair to fair.
 - You need to log into your account and manually move those funds over to this book fair.
- Daily book fair hours are:
 - 8:00 AM-8:45 AM
 - 11: 00 AM-2:00 PM
 - 3:00 PM-5:00 PM
 - Late hours are on Thursday from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
- **We need volunteers to work the book fair** to help with processing sales and assisting students with their purchases.
 - Please visit our [SignUp Genius link](#) to view the available slots. If we do not have volunteers signed up for a specific time slot the book fair will be closed.

Grandparents/Special Friends Day:

- PTA will host breakfast for our students and their grandparents/special friend(s) on Tuesday November 14th from 8am-8:45am in the all-purpose room.
- We will provide coffee, juice, donuts and fruit. It's also a great time to visit the book fair!

- If your student is attending along with their grandparents/special friend, please RSVP at this link: <https://forms.gle/Xe1oKUIYSCfXcWHX9> **no later than November 10th.**

Upcoming Important Dates

- Friday, November 10th-
 - Veteran's Day Assembly in the APR or gym at 9:20 AM
 - 2nd Grade Cultural Projects in the APR at 2:20 PM
- Monday, November 13th- 17th-
 - Fall Scholastic Book Fair from 8:00 AM-8:45 AM, 11: 00 AM-2:00 PM, 3:00 PM-5:00 PM, and Late hours are on Thursday from 5:00 PM-7:00 PM
- Tuesday, November 14th- 2nd Grade trip to Strathmore
- Thursday, November 16th- Grandparent and/or Special Friend Day with the PTA
- Friday, November 17th- Fabulous, Fantastic, and Fun Fall Festival Parties; more information about times will be shared by homeroom teachers

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school, 240-740-5800.

With Gratitude,
Michelle Fortune