

# Sister Lakes Elementary School



Building Times: 8:51 am – 3:52 pm Half Day: 12:03 pm

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**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM MR. CAMPBELL** – Electronic devices should be kept at home. This would include cell phones, I-Pods, I-Pads, gaming devices and anything electronic. Please talk to your student(s)!

**SISTER LAKES SPELLING TEAM** – Congratulations to the following fourth & fifth grade students who will represent our school at the Dowagiac Spelling Bee on Friday, January 24th at the PAC:

Fourth Graders: Prisila Manzano-Lorenzo, Tucker Thunell, Simeon Schaller, Yamilet Ramirez Manzano, Madeline Kadis and Jose Cruz-Margarito.

Fifth Graders: Braiden Mauai, Makaylin Mauai, Marley Duckett, Brianna Garcia, Parker Stout and Maria Manzano-Lorenzo.

Our coaches for these teams are Mrs. Dodd for the fourth grade team and Mrs. Checkley for the fifth grade team. The competition will include fourth & fifth grade representatives from Justus Gage, Patrick Hamilton, Kincheloe and Sister Lakes. The top six in that competition will represent Dowagiac at the Cass County Spelling Bee to be held on Thursday, February 27, at Southwestern Michigan College.

**WARM COATS/HATS/GLOVES/BOOTS** – Winter is in full swing!! Please dress your children accordingly and remember that if the wind chill is above 10 degrees they do go outside for recess and at lunchtime. They need hats, gloves, boots, snow pants and warm coats!!! Waterproof gloves are best. Please remember that when snow is on the ground, students must wear snow pants and boots if they want to play in areas beyond the blacktop on the playground.

Remember that students need to have tennis shoes on the days they have P.E. (No Boots in the Gym)

**INCLEMENT WEATHER NOTIFICATION** – In addition to TV and radio school closing announcements, all families having students in the Dowagiac School District will also be notified by our Bright Arrow calling system. We hope to have all calls out by 7:00 a.m. at the latest. It is important for us to have your current phone number on file.

**MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE** - As the cold weather arrives, so does other things like head lice and illness. Head lice tend to increase in the winter months, so it is very important to check your student's head for lice. If your child is found to have head lice, please treat him or her immediately and follow the head lice treatment protocol. In order to prevent head lice from coming back it is important to follow EVERY step of the protocol.

Winter months also bring many illnesses, so please remember to keep your student home if he or she is ill. Students must be "fever free" without the use of any medications for at least 24 hours before they can come back to school. It is also very important that we are able to reach you if your student becomes ill at school. Please make sure that we have an up to date contact telephone number for you and other emergency contacts. We MUST be able to reach you if your student is sick or injured.

