



PARKSIDE EDUCATION CENTER and S. S. PALMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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PARENT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

In the interest of keeping all students safe while they are arriving and leaving school, it is imperative that parents drop-off and pick-up students only at the designated areas at each school.

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DOORS TO BOTH SCHOOLS DO NOT OPEN UNTIL 8:15AM.

Parkside:

AM WALKERS:	Fourth Street/Front Door
AM PARENT/CAR DROP-OFF:	Back Parking Lot
PARENT PICK-UP K:	Franklin Avenue/Side Door
PARENT PICK-UP 1:	Fourth Street/Front Door
DAY CARES:	Side Door by Police Station

Palmer:

PLEASE REVIEW THESE DIRECTIONS as they are in place to ensure the safety of our children:

Parents you must follow these directions for dropping off and picking up your child/ren in the morning and afternoon.

WALKERS & PARENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP - Third Street ONLY. The area in front of the school is designated as a **DROP-OFF/PICK UP area ONLY.** Parents should be pulling up as far as they can and allowing their students to get out of the car. The line should **CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD.** There is to be **NO PARKING** or **DOUBLE PARKING** on Third Street. Students must cross at cross walk only. Do not drop off students in the middle of the street....IT IS NOT SAFE!

This area is designated as a drop off/pick up area as per Palmerton Borough Code #577, which was adopted August 25, 1999:

D. No person shall park a vehicle in this zone between the hours of 7:30AM to 3:30PM any day between August 20 and June 15 on days when school is in session.



DRESS CODE



I think it is safe to say that the snowy weather is now gone. However, when the warm weather arrives for good, please make sure that your child/ren is/are following our dress code. Specifically, bare skin between the upper chest and mid-thigh is prohibited, tops must have a minimum of one inch straps (racer straps are not acceptable) and students may not wear flip flops, thongs, sliders, bedroom slippers, or roller shoes on their feet.



LOST & FOUND

Is your child missing a hat, gloves, lunch box or even a coat? We have accumulated numerous jackets, sweatshirts, etc. When you come to S.S. Palmer, please stop in the main hall to check out missing belongings, which are located in the bench by the stairs. To help in identifying misplaced items, please take time to label your child's clothing. This assists us in returning lost items to their rightful owners. Thank you 😊



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten Registration was held last week for the 2018 – 2019 school year. Children that will be five years of age by September 1, 2018 are eligible to attend kindergarten next school year. If you are new to the district or have an eligible student, but did not get a letter, please call Mrs. Kim Ottinger, 610-826-7101, ext. 5023 to schedule an appointment.



MUSIC IN OUR SCHOOLS

There are many wonderful opportunities to hear our very talented students in several concerts throughout the district this month!

J&SHS Choral Concert	Wednesday, May 2	SHS Auditorium
J&SHS Band Concert	Thursday, May 3	SHS Auditorium
Elementary Cadet Band	Thursday, May 10	SHS Auditorium
Grades 4,5,6 Choral	Thursday, May 17	Palmer Gym
Grades 2 & 3 Choral	Thursday, May 24	Palmer Gym
Kindergarten & Grade 1	Friday, June 1	Parkside Parking Lot Rain-Palmer Gym

FIELD TRIPS & END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Dates to Remember:

MAY	2	Grade 2 – Philadelphia Zoo
	7	Grade 1 – Crayola
	8	Kindergarten & Grade 1 – Play Day AM
	8	Grades 2 & 3 – Play Day PM
	9	Grade 6 – Iron Pigs
	10	Cadet Band Concert, SHS, 7:00PM
	11	Kindergarten – Lehigh Valley Zoo
	11	Grades 4,5,6 – Track & Field Day SHS
	14	Grade 5 – DaVinci Science Center
	17	Chorus Concert, Palmer Gym, 7:00PM
	18	Grade 3, Lehigh Gap Nature Center AM
	18	Grade 4 - Harrisburg
	23	Grade 6 – JHS Visit
	23	ART Show, S.S. Palmer, 6:00 – 8:30
	24	Grades 2 & 3 – Choral Concert, 7:00
	25	Grade 3 – Quiet Valley
	29	Grade 5, Lehigh Gap Nature Center
JUNE	1	Kindergarten & Grade 1 – Choral Concert
	13	11:45 Early Dismissal
	14	11:45 Early Dismissal Last Day of School for Students

Please Mark Your Calendars:

MAY	1	DAY 5
	1	School Board Workshop, Parkside, 5:30PM
	3	Title I Family Fun Night, S.S. Palmer Café, 6:00 – 7:00
	3	PTO BOGO Book Fair, Palmer, Room 108, 5:30 – 7:30
	4	NO SCHOOL, Teacher In-service
	13	HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!
	14	PTO Meeting, S.S. Palmer Cafeteria, 7:00PM
	15	School Board Meeting, Parkside, 7:00PM
	23	ART Show, S.S. Palmer, 6:00 – 8:30
	28	NO SCHOOL, Memorial Day Observed
JUNE	13	11:45 Early Dismissal
	14	11:45 Early Dismissal Last Day of School for Students



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT S.S. PALMER AND PARKSIDE EDUCATION CENTER ARE NUT FREE AND **NO NUT PRODUCTS** OF ANY KIND MAY BE IN/NEAR OUR SCHOOLS



READING REQUIREMENT

Students in Grades 2 – 6 at S.S. Palmer are required to read a minimum of 10 books during each school year.

Students must read 2 Biography, 2 Fiction, 2 Non-Fiction and 4 books of their choice. Reports for each book read are then completed and given to each child's classroom teacher. Teachers included the number of books read to date on your child's report card. Report forms and more information about the reading requirement may be found on our school website, which may be accessed at www.palmerton.org



HEALTH ROOM

All medications must be brought to school by an adult and cannot be sent with a child. If a medication is to be taken in school, we must have written authorization from the healthcare provider. All medications must be in their original containers.

Please make sure that while we are in the cold and flu season that you do not send your child to school when they are really sick, i.e. fever, endless coughing and/or vomiting. We do not want to spread germs and get everyone sick ☺

If you need to speak with either of our school nurses you may reach them at:

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