

Mackrille School Newsletter

October 2018

A Message From Mrs. Drenzek

Dear Mackrille Families,

With the coming of Autumn, we will witness the beauty of nature and the change of seasons. With this the students have now been in school a month. They have established routines are working hard learning the curriculum and new skills.

With that comes the challenges of attitude. Learning is hard work. The teachers support the students during the school day to achieve and become independent individuals. Parents also have a responsibility to help their children become successful.

We are asking you to help by doing the following:

- Make sure your child has a set bedtime every night, such as 8:00. Children have come to school and stated how tired they are because they went to bed late.
- Designate a quiet spot for homework. If your child is not ready to do it right after school, find a time before or after dinner to do the work.
- Review and check the homework your child does.
- Getting your child to school on time is very important. The doors open at 8:50. Students put away their backpack and folders and do morning work until 9:10. Coming in after 8:55, puts your child at a disadvantage.
- When sitting at the dinner table together, ask your child about their favorite part of the day in school.
- We want our students to be lifelong learners and you are a big part of their success.

I would like to encourage the families in Mackrille to join our PTA. They work hard to support our students, by paying for field trips, and assemblies. Please volunteer your time to help on one of their committees.

Parent visiting is October 24th. This is your opportunity to meet with your child's teacher and hear about your child's progress. After you return you preference for a day or evening conference, the teacher will make an appointment with you.

Mrs. Judith Drenzek, Principal of Mackrille School

Family Art Night 6:30 to 7:30	October 4th
Columbus Day, No School	October 8th
PTA Meeting 6:30 in the school Library	October 9th
Kindergarten Curriculum Night 6:30	October 10 th
Parent Visiting Day No School	October 24th
Halloween Parade Pre-K to Grade 4 9:30, PM Pre-K 1:00	October 31



Important Telephone Numbers:

Attendance Line: 203-931-6829

Main Office: 931-6820

School Hours: 8:55 to 3:20

There will be a Halloween parade on October 31st at 9:30 for Pre-K to Grade 4 and at 1:00 for the P.M. Pre-K. The students will be walking around the front sidewalk of the school. If it rains, the parade will be inside the school gym.

The West Haven Board of Education **attendance policy** can be found in the Student Handbook. Please review it and make note of the following items:

***4 times late to school or early departures constitute one unexcused absence**

*A student is considered **TRUANT** when he/she has 4 unexcused absences in any one month or 10 unexcused absences in any school year

*Students absent more than 20 days each school year shall be seriously considered for retention.

*Students must be in school for half of the scheduled day in order to be counted as present.

Please don't forget to donate any new or gently used books to Mackrille. We are sharing the books with students who attend the school. At the end of the school year every student in Kindergarten through grade 3 gets a book to take home for summer reading. Thank you for your generous support in the past.



Mackrille's First Bus Safety Patrol

Dear Mackrille Families,

We are proud to announce that we will be having 4th grade Safety Patrol Leaders on each bus who will help keep other students safe by: reminding them to stay in their seat and keeping aisles clear at all times. These Safety Patrol Leaders were chosen by school staff who displayed the following characteristics: leadership skills, responsibility, kindness, a knowledge base of school and bus rules, and overall sense of pride for Mackrille School and wanting to make it a positive and safe environment. So if you do see these safety patrol leaders on the bus or while at the bus stop (they will be wearing a safety sash and badge), please thank them for their hard work and dedication, aiding in the safety of the children riding to and from school each day.

Sincerely,

Safety Patrol Advisors:

Juditih Drenzek, Principal

Faye Marzinotto, School Psychologist



West Haven School District None Discrimination Policy

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