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LINKING FAMILIES TO HAPPY DAY SCHOOL

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Welcome back to a new School Year!

School is back in full session with Toddler classes and playgroups every day of the week. School-age is bustling with full classrooms and lots of hands-on with the kids! It's exciting to see all the activities that go on in a day. The County Educational Service Center has moved in and assumed responsibility for our two preschool classrooms. We were thrilled to have our preschool kids remain here in the building! Early Head Start has returned again to our building and is currently using two of our classrooms.

Our most exciting change this fall was the replacement of the hallway carpet! After 22 years of wear and tear, we now have a beautiful new look!

Entrance reminders:

Parents with children, please enter the SIDE entrance in the morning and afternoon. With busses coming and going, Debbie will buzz you in— so the busses can finish their routes. They are not allowed to move when someone is on the sidewalk. We appreciate your help with this.

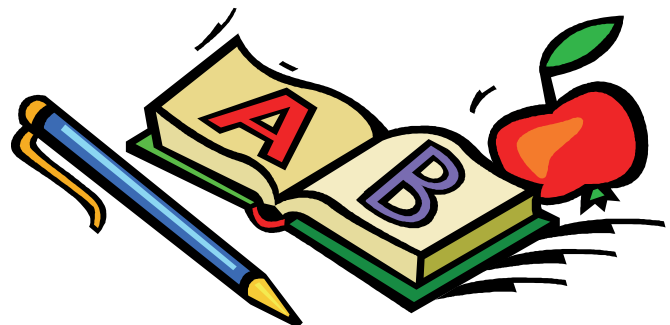
Our Annual Silent Auction and Craft Show is **JUST AROUND THE CORNER** on Saturday, October 19th, we will again have Silent Auction tables Craft Show from 9:00am – 3:00 pm. We encourage **FAMILIES** to come and make a day of it. Admission is free and it is open to the public. We will have something for everyone from themed baskets to holiday crafts. There will be lots of vendors with unique wares, a children's shopping area, large raffle items such as a corn hole game, spa basket, Little Tikes toys and much more. And of course, there will be baked goods and apple dumplings for sale along with other concessions. We are still in need of volunteers. If you would like to **donate items, a basket, or your time** for the auction please call Debbie at the front desk.

Lastly, The Portage County Board of Developmental Disabilities has **TWO** levies on the ballot on November 5th. We serve almost 1000 children and adults in Portage County! Please remember to vote!

So as we start off another school year with a few new staff and a fresh, new bunch of kids- please know that we are here for you and your child!

Please check out our website at www.portagedd.org and click on the Happy Day link to keep up with all the latest school events and information.

Gail L. McAlister

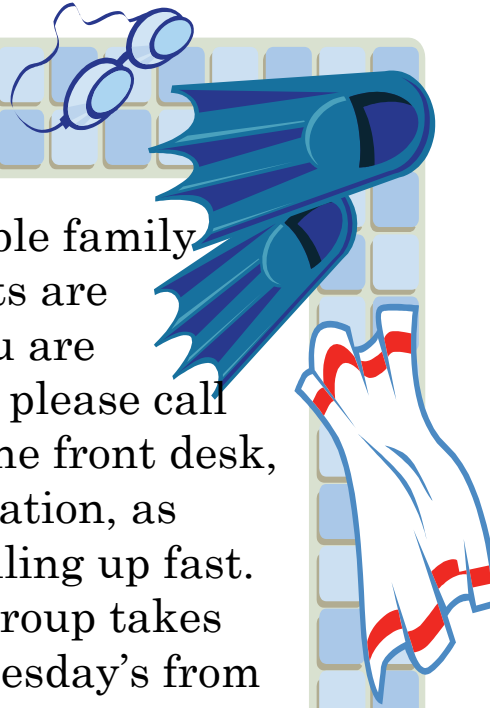
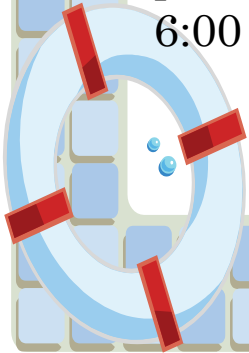


DON'T FORGET-

OCTOBER IS
NATIONAL
DISABILITIES
AWARENESS
MONTH!



Board eligible family swim nights are back. If you are interested, please call Debbie at the front desk, for a reservation, as spots are filling up fast. The swim group takes place on Tuesday's from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at Happy Day School. Please bring your own towel.



On Saturday, October 19th from 9:00am to 3:00pm, we will be hosting our annual **SILENT AUCTION AND CRAFT SHOW**. We encourage **FAMILIES** to come and join us- we will have concessions, a kids korner and lots of choices for all. We will have something for everyone from themed baskets, to holiday shopping ideas. We'll be raffling off some larger items including a corn hole game, spa basket, Kindle Fire HD, Little Tikes items and more! These are popular items for Christmas! Please bring your family and come make a day of it! If you would like to donate items for the Auction or your time, just call Debbie at the front desk.

10/8/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6:00-7:30 pm
10/11/2013	Genetics Clinic	9:00 am-3:00 pm
10/11/2013	Toddler Swim	10:30 –11:15 am
10/14/2013	Parent Council Meeting-Happy Day School	4:00 pm
10/15/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6-7:30 pm
10/16/2013	PCBDD Board Meeting	5:00 pm
10/17/2013	Picture Day	
10/18/2013	Agency In-Service-NO SCHOOL IN SESSION	
10/19/2013	Craft Show and Auction– Happy Day School	9:00 am-3:00 pm
10/22/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6:00-7:30 pm
10/25/2013	Kindermusik	9:30 am and 10:30 am
10/29/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6-7:30 pm
10/31/2013	Fall Festival	9:30 am
10/31/2013	Market Day Pick Up	3:15-4:15 pm
11/1/2013	Kindermusik	9:30 am and 10:30 am
11/5/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6-7:30 pm
11/7/2013	Parent Teacher Conferences	4:00-7:30 pm
11/8/2013	Parent Teacher Conferences-NO STUDENTS	8:30 am-noon
11/8/2013	Genetics Clinic	9:00 am-3:00 pm
11/8/2013	Kindermusik	9:30 am and 10:30 am
11/11/2013	Parent Council Meeting	4:00 pm
11/12/2013	Board Eligible Family Swim	6-7:30 pm

SHOP FOR CASH-IT IS EASY FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Save your ACME receipts from September 21, 2013 to February 18, 2014. Send them to Happy Day School. We will make 5% of the Cash Back amount printed at the bottom of the receipt. Thanks!