

# SKYWORDS

*A newsletter for the families of Skyview Community Elementary School*

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## calendar

- 10/23 No School-Conferences: 8 am-4 pm**  
10/27 Evening Conferences: 4-8 pm  
10/28 Kindness Retreat, 4th Grade:  
**(Date Correction)**  
10/28 Fundraiser Orders Due  
10/29 Evening Conferences: 4-8 pm  
10/30 Picture Re-take Day  
11/11 Wendy's Night: 5-7 pm  
11/13 PTO Family Fun Night: 6:30 pm  
11/17 PTO Meeting: 7 pm  
**11/25-11/27 No School-Thanksgiving**  
11/30 3rd/4th Grade Concert at Tartan:6:30  
12/1 1st Grade Concert: 6 pm  
2nd Grade Concert: 7 pm  
12/3 Kindergarten Concert: 6 pm  
5th Grade Concert: 7 pm  
Fundraiser Pick-Up: 3:45-7 pm  
**12/4 No School-Staff Development Day**  
12/9 Wendy's Night: 5-7 pm  
12/10 SAIL Invention Fair  
**12/24-1/3 No School-Winter Break**

## Math Word of the week

for October 26-30

# DECIMAL



6-day calendar for the week of October 26-30:  
Monday-Day 2  
Tuesday-Day 3  
Wednesday-Day 4  
Thursday-Day 5  
Friday-Day 6

Please return Teacher Appreciation Dinner forms no later than Tuesday, October 27th.

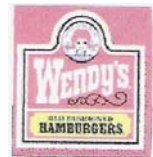
## No School

**Friday, October 23**  
due to conferences

**Enjoy your long weekend!**

## Wendy's Night

Congratulations to **Ryan Clum**, a **third grader in Mrs. Shannon's class** for winning a \$20 gift card to Borders! Thank you to our hosts, **Mrs. Dunlay and Mrs. Jagger!** **The next Wendy's Night will be Wednesday, November 11th.**



## Fall Fundraiser Orders Due

**All orders and payments for the fall fundraiser are due back at school on Wednesday, October 28th.** All orders must be PREPAID, so be sure to collect the money as you take orders. **Pick-up day will be Thursday, December 3rd from 3:45-7 pm.**

**Thank you for your support of our school!**

## Picture Retake Day

Picture retakes will be on Friday, October 30th. Those students who missed having their pictures taken, as well as students needing retakes, will have their pictures taken on this day. Instructions for retakes are included in your child's picture package. Picture envelopes are available in the office if you need one.



## Halloween Policy

While we know that for many children Halloween is a very exciting time of year, it is the feeling of the staff that it is educationally wise to limit the costumes and parties during school time, making Halloween more of a family choice activity.



Students in grade K-3 may bring costumes to school. Students always have the option not to “dress up” if they so choose. Because of safety reasons and our desire to maintain a proper learning environment, we request that students not come to school dressed in their costumes.

If your child will be wearing a costume, please select it carefully. We discourage costumes that will frighten or that are purposely horrifying or graphic. Props which are unsafe, including look-alike weapons such as toy guns, knives, swords, etc. will not be allowed at school. Large props such as hockey sticks, bats, etc. are also not to be brought on the busses. Please remember that children tend to act like their dress-up character.

Fourth and fifth grade students are asked not to wear any costumes. Please check your child’s classroom newsletter for any additional information regarding classroom parties or special activities.

## Notes from the Health Office

Many students and parents are frequently concerned about when students should stay home from school with an illness. The following information is intended to help with this decision.

- If the student has had a fever of 100° or more, the student should stay home for 24 hours AFTER the temperature returns to normal, and remains normal WITHOUT fever reducing medication. (For accuracy, it is best to take the temp after the student has been awake for at least one hour.)
- If the student has vomited or had diarrhea, the student should stay home until 24 hours AFTER the last episode (without anti-diarrheal medication).

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- If the student has had any rash that may be disease related, or the cause is unknown, check with your physician before sending the student to school (e.g. impetigo, ring-worm, etc.).
- Conjunctivitis (pink eye) is highly contagious. If the student’s eyes are red; if there is drainage; if they are stuck shut in the morning, please keep the student home and contact your physician.
- Any time the student is ill, or will be absent or late for any reason, please contact the Health Office DAILY to report the absence. **The phone number for the Health Office is 651-702-8115.**
- Remember, children with an infectious disease can spread the disease when they are in contact with others. For the protection of other students and staff, as well as for the well-being of your own children, it is best to have the student recover before returning to school.
- If you have any questions regarding these guidelines, or about any illnesses, please contact your physician or the school nurse.

### **Dry Skin:**

If your student has dry lips and/or dry hands, please send along lip balm and hand lotion or cream to be kept in the student’s desk or backpack. This will save many trips to the Health Office for petroleum jelly and lotion.

### **Cough Relief:**

Students suffering from a cough or a mild sore throat may carry with them a day’s supply of non-medicated cough drops, or hard candy (e.g. Life Savers, mints, lemon drops, etc.) for relief. Please send along a note giving them permission to have the drops with them. Remember, the teachers and the Health Office do not have cough drops available for the students.

**Continue to emphasize good hand-washing to prevent the spread of colds, flu, etc.**

**Wishing everyone a safe, healthy year at Skyview!**

~Beth Jagger, R.N. and Carol Dunlay, R.N.