



Luther Elementary School Newsletter~January

Luther Families,

I hope your family had an enjoyable holiday season! Thank you for your support during the first semester of this school year. We know this was hard on students and parents. I think all of us have learned to pivot and adapt to school and life related items changing quickly and on a moment notice.

The Luther Staff is extremely excited to have students returning to the school for in person learning on Tuesday, January 5th!!! The only change for parents as we return is that drop-off time will start at 7:45. Please drop students off at the back playground gate leading to the playground between 7:45-8:00. If your child is going to eat breakfast then you can drop off at the back doors at 7:30. All other items from a family perspective should remain the same.

Thanks again for your support! The Luther Staff is going to work really hard to implement an academic recovery plan. We are going to make sure all kids make progress based on the level they are at in math, reading and writing. I am sure you will see a lot of academic growth in your child during the second semester.

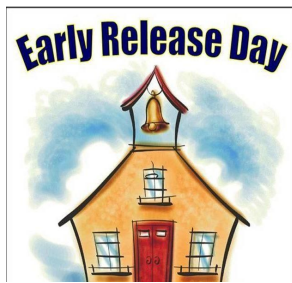
Thank you again for all of your support. We have amazing students, staff members and families at Luther. It is ALL of us working together to help our children and each other. Let's continue to help each other as we move forward in 2021!

Stay well,
Mr. Geiger, Luther Principal

JANUARY

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- 1/1 Happy New Year!
- 1/5 Classes Resume
- 1/8 Luther Loyalty Day
Birthday Books
- 1/14 End of 2nd Quarter
- 1/15 No School ~Records Day



Early Release Days (in person only)

Each Monday during the rest of quarter #2 and all of quarter #3, students will be released from school at 1:30. This allows teachers to participate in professional development and collaboratively plan with grade level teams from 1:30-4:30. Students will eat lunch as normal on these days. Please be sure to have a plan in place for the early pick up. The bus system will operate on these days picking students up at 1:30 from school. These days in January will be the 11th, 18th and 25th.



Inside or Outside

We like to have students outside for recess if possible. The fresh air and sunshine does them wonders. However, the Wisconsin weather is not always perfect so we have children inside for recess when it is raining or the windchill is below zero. If we are inside before

school, the children gather in their respective areas. If it is during the school day, they remain in their classrooms doing homework, reading, playing games, etc.



Winter Weather

The weather is changing quickly! Please be sure your child is dressed appropriately for cooler temperatures. Once the snow flies they will need snowpants, boots, coat, hat, scarf and gloves.

Midway in the Year

Half way? YES!! On Thursday, January 14th we are officially halfway through this school year. This is the last day in the second quarter. Students do not have school on Friday, January 15th as this is a record day for teachers. Report cards will be sent home with students on Friday, January 22nd. Parents may keep the report card but please sign and return the envelope. Students that are virtual can pick up their report card at the student materials pick up.

Family Conferences

The next round of conferences will be on Tuesday, February 9th and Thursday, February 11th. More information will be communicated with families in mid January. We look forward to this time as it allows us to connect with families to share the many strengths of students and areas that they can grow in during the second semester.



Registration for the School District of Fort Atkinson 4 Year Old Kindergarten **(4K)** opens on Thursday, January 4, 2021. Children that will be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2021 are eligible for 4K.

The 4K Registration Forms are available in all of the Elementary School Offices, and all of the 4K sites; Purdy Elementary, Kids Konnection, Fort Atkinson Preschool and Day Care, Parents Cooperative Preschool, St. Joseph's Catholic School, Head Start at Purdy and Hebron Locations.

The registration form can also be downloaded at www.fortschools.org/4k.

Forms should be completely filled out and **returned to:** Barrie Elementary School, Attn: 4K

1000 Harriette Street
Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

**The Deadline to return 4K Registration Form is
Monday, March 1, 2021**

The next step in the enrollment process will be the Fort 4K Registration Day. This will take place **Wednesday, April 7th from 12:00 Noon - 5:00 pm at Luther Elementary School located at 205 Park Street**. There will be a \$15.00 registration fee, cash, or check made payable to **School District of Fort Atkinson**. No appointment is needed, but it is important that you attend. The process should take no longer than 15 minutes.

Additional On-Line 4K registration information will be mailed out to you before the **Wednesday, April 7th Registration Day at Luther Elementary**.

Please direct any questions to 4K Secretary, Rachel DePorter 920-563-7817 or email to: deporterr@fortschools.org

