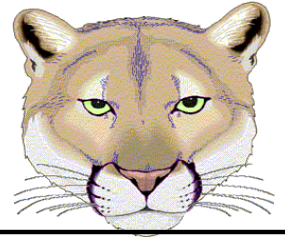


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A Message from Mrs. Mersing

Dear Parents,

This year has brought us many changes, challenges and uncertainties. The staff at Smoketree is appreciative to our parents for your support and involvement. Students have spent more time on devices this year than ever before. Therefore, I'd like to share some online safety tips for parents and children

SOME SIMPLE SAFETY TIPS:

First and foremost Supervision is the Key!
Check privacy settings on your computer and browsers.
When possible, tell the kids what to do vs. what NOT to do.
Computers located in common home areas.
Have younger students use kid safe browsers (example: Kiddle.com).

Kids:

If you are not sure about something, easiest rule is STOP and ask your grown-up .
Keep passwords private from everyone except your parents.
Get grown ups permission for ANY new program that you want to try or use.
Always log out of a program or account. Do not assume just because you close the browser you are logged out.
Only say or write nice things online (message, emails, while playing a game etc...).
My personal rule with my kids has always been "if grandma cannot hear it or read it, don't say it or write it!"
Plug your devices in at night outside of your bedrooms, to allow you a good night sleep. Rest will improve your mood and ability to focus on learning.

Your Partner in Education,

Mrs. Mersing, Principal

The Bookshelf...

I would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays and a wonderful winter break. I hope you take advantage of the season and curl up with some hot chocolate and a good book!!

Mrs. Thomas
Smoketree Librarian

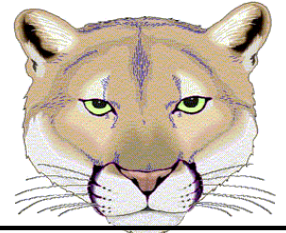


Spirit Week is Dec. 14-17th
(See Calendar)

Candy Gram Sales start Nov.
30 to Dec 4th.

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Flu season is here! Please watch for these symptoms and keep student's home that are sick.

A few tips to staying healthy-

Wash your hands and use hand sanitizer

Get plenty of sleep

Eat healthy!!!- Fruits, veggies, and proteins. A healthy breakfast is the perfect way to start the day!

Take a multivitamin

Flu shot

Keep your area clean at home and school

Clean your phones and remote controls

Exercise

Drink plenty of water and stay hydrated!!

Symptoms of the Flu can include

RUNNY
NOSE

SORE
THROAT

BODY
ACHES

FEVER

COUGH

CHILLS

FATIGUE

STUFFY NOSE

HEADACHES



Smoketree Elementary Second Quarter Awards Ceremony will be **Wednesday, December 16, 2020.**

At that time, we will be recognizing our Smoketree Cougars for their Academic Achievement. Awards will be given for the Principal's Honor Roll, Honor Roll and Positive Attitude Award.

Awards will be given out in class this year.

We are looking forward to celebrating and recognizing our students.

Thank you!



Monday, Jan. 4, 2021- School Resumes

Monday, Jan. 18, 2021 - No School/Martin Luther King's Day

Wednesday Jan 20, 2021 - 100th Day Celebration



PTSO News

Smoketree PTSO will be offering our Holiday Store. Viewing will take place the week of Nov. 30th - Dec. 4th. The store will open for purchasing gifts the following week Dec. 7th -11th.

All proceeds will go toward purchasing a digital marquee for our school.

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Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
	Holiday Store Viewing Nov 30-Dec 4th Only Candy Gram Sales begin Nov 30th-Dec 4th	1	2 	3	4	5
6	7 Holiday Store Buying Starts Dec. 7-11	8 Picture Retakes	9 	10	11	12
13	14 Spirit day: Holiday Socks Day	15 Spirit day: White Out Day	16 Spirit day: Red and Green Day 	17 Spirit day: PJ Day End of 1st Semester	18 NO SCHOOL for Students	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Daily School Hours: 7:55-2:30

Early Release Hours: 7:55-1:00