

Salisbury Community School News



Mark Your
Calendars!
Open House
Thursday,
September 24
6-7 PM

Middlebury Amateur Hockey Association
Registration Dates:
Saturday, Sept. 19th, 9
to 12 noon or
Wednesday, Sept.
23rd 6 to 8 p.m.
Both sessions will be
held at the Memorial
Sports Center,
Buttolph Drive,
Middlebury.
For more information
about fees and
programs,
including, *Learn to
Skate* for 4 to 7 year
olds
and *Learn to Play
Hockey* for girls 9 to
14, go to:
www.middleburyhockey.org

For the week of September 14, 2015

Early Releases

Last spring, ACSU Superintendent informed families of a change to our 2015-2016 school calendar that included five early release days for teachers to come together to do collaborative work that will move our Strategic Plan forward. On the days listed below, students will be dismissed from school at 1:00 PM. Lunch will have been provided prior to dismissal.

Wednesday, September 30
Wednesday, November 18
Wednesday, January 27
Wednesday, March 16
Wednesday, April 13

The bus route will drop students off at their usual bus stops beginning at this time. In order to calculate the time your child will be dropped off, think of the length of route in the afternoon and add that to 1 PM. For example, if your child has a 15-minute ride and usually arrives at 2:45, then your child will be dropped off at 1:15.

To help families who might need it, we are offering another option we will call **Activity Time**. Students who are enrolled in the After School Program or who sign-up ahead of time, may attend an **Activity Time** from 1:00-2:30. Activities may include doing homework, doing arts and crafts and playing various organized games appropriate to the weather. These activities will be organized and supervised by three of our paraprofessionals: Sandy Hayes, Donna Payne and Suzie Quesnel.

Students may be grouped in K-2, 3-4 and 5-6 groups. Groupings may change according to numbers of students who sign up. There are a limited number of slots for **Activity Time** and students must be signed up ahead of time. **Parents are responsible for prompt pick-up of students attending the Activity Time.** Students enrolled in the After School Program will be dismissed from **Activity Time** to the After School Program.

We will be requesting that parents inform us of which option they prefer prior to each early release date. If your child is enrolled in the After School Program or you know that **Activity Time** is an option you will want to use for every release time one form may be filled out for all early release dates. We hope that by providing this option, families will be supported during the early release days. As this program is above and beyond the scheduled school day, children are expected to follow school rules and may be asked not to attend if they do not cooperate.

Please fill the form attached to this newsletter by Wednesday, September 23rd so we may know where students will be going at dismissal time on the 30th.

Please join me in welcoming *Shelly Smith* as our After School Director and *Chelsea Purinton* as our School Nurse. We look forward to the contributions of these new members of our school team!



SNEAKERS WANTED

We would like to have a box of spare sneakers for those who might need them on occasion. If your children have outgrown their sneakers, leaving them in good condition, please consider donating them to the school.

How to Be Prepared For Gym Class

We hear more than ever the importance of exercise and movement. At Salisbury Community School, students have gym class on Monday and Wednesday. In order to be able to fully participate in class, students need to be prepared.

- Wear loose fitting clothing.
- Have a **jacket or sweater** in your backpack for those colder days.
- **Wear sneakers** that fit your feet so they do not fly off your feet. They should have the ability to be tied or Velcroed tight.
- **No sandals or crocks.** They do not have enough foot support or protection.
- **Boots are not allowed.** They are too heavy for you to move properly and will hurt another student if they are stepped on or kicked.
- **If you do not have your sneakers, you are asked to "sit out" of gym class. This is a safety issue and is non-negotiable.**



It's Never Too Early to Start Saving

As a parent you have the opportunity to teach your child that saving really *can* be *FUN!* The **School House Savings** program is designed to help your child develop good savings habits at an early age. Each time children save at school, their name will be entered in a monthly drawing. The prize is \$5. A thank you note and the winning ticket will be given to the student at the time of the drawing. A letter will be sent home from the bank with the \$5 cashier's check. Each month a new drawing will occur, so everyone has an opportunity to win!

Each and every week, **Friday** will be "Banking Day" **from 7:45 to 8:05 in the morning starting on Friday, Sept. 25.** This will allow the children to get into a routine of saving!

Do you want to help at *your* child's school on Banking Day? Please call Christine Huedorfer or Kylie Felion at 388-4982. We welcome Parent Volunteers!

School Meals Program Request

Please be reminded that all meals and snacks need to be paid for **in advance**. If you have not yet applied for Free and Reduced Meals, please do so.