

CHAPPELL COMMUNICATOR

IB Learning

As we begin the 2016-17 school year, I am sure many of our parents have been hearing about the IB learning that is taking place inside of the classrooms. From the IB learner profile to the Chappell Inquiry Model, our students are off to a great start learning the key components to the Primary Years Programme here at Chappell. Our IB units have been underway since the last week in September. **Kindergarten** is exploring relationships and cooperation during their first IB unit. **First graders** are investigating who they are through learning about different choices they can make that may affect their well-being. The **second graders** are learning about how motivation, effort, and persistence can affect our growth mindset. Our **third graders** are diving into how people's lives are influenced by their physical traits, beliefs, and values they inherit. **Fourth graders** will be exploring external factors that influence their sense of self. Last, but surely not least, our **fifth graders** are examining how visual and multimedia elements can influence individuals' perception of the world. Chappell tags also began the end of September; they are used as a school-wide reminder of being internationally minded. Teachers and staff will award Chappell tags to students who demonstrate the IB Learner Profile and Attitudes. Every grading period we will draw names from various reward buckets to acknowledge students for demonstrating the Chappell IB way.

What does it mean to be *Internationally Minded*?

IB Learners strive to be active, compassionate and lifelong learners who encompass the learner profile:

Inquirer	Caring
Knowledgeable	Risk-taker
Open-minded	Balanced
Communicator	Reflective
Principled	Thinkers

***** BREAKFAST *****

Breakfast starts each day at 8:10 and students enter through the gym doors. Please make sure that your child is prompt.

Calendar Events

OCTOBER

- 14 - Early Release 12:35 pm**
- 26 - Picture Re-Takes**
- 27 - Costume Ball 5-7 pm
West High School
\$1 admission if eating
pizza and chips**
- 28 - NO SCHOOL**

Upcoming in NOVEMBER

- 11 - Sing Out—Show Choir at Southwest High School—6:30 PM**
- 15 - Parent-Teacher Conferences**
- 17 - Parent Teacher Conferences**
- 18 - Early Dismissal 12:35 PM**
- 23 - NO SCHOOL**
- 24 - NO SCHOOL**
- 25 - NO SCHOOL**

Worden's Words

We have had a great start to the 2016-2017 school year. The students have all transitioned nicely and are working hard on their first IB units. I hope you had the opportunity to come to the welcome sessions that each grade level had in September.

This is an exciting year for the school as we welcome back the International Baccalaureate Organization. They will be sending a team to the school in spring to evaluate our implementation of the programme! Watch the newsletters for more updates throughout the year.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming parent/teacher conferences. This is a great time to touch base with your child's teacher and learn about your child's progress and set goals together.

We appreciate all that you do!! Thank you families!

Kristen Worden, Principal/Head of School

Title I Program

We are very fortunate to have a special program called Title I at our school. Title I is a federal program that provides money to school districts to help children become more successful learners. The purpose of Title I is to provide extra educational services for children who need additional help to be successful in school. Title I serves students and families in 17 public and 11 private schools in Green Bay.

All 17 public Title I schools operate as "school-wide programs." A school-wide program may use Title I funds to serve all students in the school, regardless of academic need. The school must have a specific plan to explain how it will use Title I funds to improve the educational program. At Chappell Elementary School we are working to make improvements in the following areas: literacy and math.

Our school district is required to review whether our Title I programs are effective. Schools need to show that the students are making progress toward meeting the state standards. We hold a meeting each spring to share our progress and goal outcomes with parents. All parents are invited and we hope to see you there.

Parent involvement is a very important part of Title I. Parents are encouraged to be involved in their children's education and to participate in planning the Title I program. Parent participation is required and welcomed. If you are interested in participating in important Title I decisions or have ideas for how we can improve our program, please contact Principal Kris Worden at 920-492-2630.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Thank you to parent volunteers Crystal Erler and Thea Seymour for helping with the student Hearing Screening on Sept. 8. The time you donated for this and for popping popcorn on Fridays is very much appreciated!

Guidance Notes

The following are suggestions for resolving conflicts at home:

- ◆ Do something to calm down first. When emotions are high and strong, we aren't able to think of reasonable solutions.
- ◆ Let children give their side of the story without interruption.
- ◆ Help them see what the problem is and try to see the point of view of others.
- ◆ Brainstorm possible solutions and then decide which solutions would work for the family.
- ◆ Try out the solution and adjust as needed.

Adapted from: <http://missourifamilies.org>

Espacio de Español

Beginning Tuesday, October 18, students in grades 3-5 will have the opportunity to join the Spanish Club, "**Concurso**". Concurso is an afterschool program which will be held on Tuesdays from 3:30-4:15 pm for students who would like to participate in Spanish Forensics. Students will learn a play or poem and present it to judges showing their skills in fluency and pronunciation. Beginning October 5th, Spanish "**Club de Leer**" will begin. It's a book club for 4th and 5th graders interested in reading stories in Spanish and will meet during recess on Day 4's. Forms for each of the clubs will be available from Senora Tennie starting October 1.

Chappell Before & After School Program

Good News! If you are a parent in need of school-age child care for the 2016-2017 school year, the Green Bay YMCA is still accepting registrations for the **Chappell Before & After School Program**. We have a before and after school child care program located right at Chappell School for children 5-12 years of age. This program runs from 7:00 AM until the start of school and then again from the time of school dismissal until 6:00 PM. If you are interested in this program or want more information, **please call the YMCA School-Age Office at 920-436-9675.**

Parental Information and Resource Center (PIRCs)

PIRCs are federally funded nonprofit organizations that provide training, information, and technical assistance to parent, parent organizations, and schools to build partnerships to benefit children. Each state has at least one Parental Information and Resource Center. Federal law requires that parents be informed of the state organization. In Wisconsin, the PIRC is called Parents Plus, and it is located in Milwaukee. Its mission is to educate, train, and support parents, educators, service providers, and community members throughout Wisconsin to strengthen families, promote student success, and achieve optimal childhood outcomes. For more information and to view their newsletter, go to their website at www.parentspluswi.org.