

Aux Sable Elementary School

“Weekly News”

October 24, 2008

NED is coming to Aux Sable

The NED Show is coming on October 31st for a Character Education assembly. NED promotes **N**ever giving up, **E**ncouraging others and **D**oing your best. The presenter is often called the “Yo-yo Man” and as part of the assembly, students will all be given a yo-yo and will be shown various tricks to perform.

October 31st is Halloween and an Early Release Day

Next Friday, October 31st is Halloween and an early release day at all Minooka District 201 Schools. Students will be release at 11:35 a.m. Please make note of the time to ensure that your students are picked up on time and that they have proper supervision the remainder of the day.

Due to the shortened day, students should wear their costumes to school. We are having an assembly at 9:00 a.m. (mentioned above...) after the assembly if the weather permits, we will have our parade, then room parties.

Costumes must be of good taste without masks, weaponry, and garish makeup. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Tips for Successful Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent-teacher conferences present an excellent opportunity to find out how your child is adjusting to the new school year and to get to know her teachers.

Here are some general hints on how to have a successful conference:

1. Ask your child if there is anything that he/she would like you to discuss with the teacher
2. Jot down everything that you want to talk about at the conference
3. Arrive promptly or a few minutes early
4. Begin with positive comments about the teacher or classroom
5. Avoid lengthy discussions of topics that are not related to the purpose of the conference
6. Be open-minded to suggestions from the teacher
7. Keep your emotions under control

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8. Take notes about what has been discussed to share with your child
9. Express appreciation for the conference
10. Try to finish within the allotted time frame

October is Summarizing Month at Aux Sable

The foundation for informed reading comprehension is a clear, complete understanding of how each strategy develops reading expertise. October’s main focus for reading is on the strategy of summarizing. Summarizing allows students to build on their predicting (September strategy) knowledge and leads to the strategy of connecting (November strategy). Predicting, summarizing, and connecting are fundamental steps in the study of comprehension and its instruction.

Flyers are in the Office

Routinely, outside organizations deliver flyers to the various District 201 schools. Flyers that have been approved are available in the respective offices. Current flyers are as follows:

- YMCA Kidz Zone
- Champion Youth Outreach
- Minooka Baseball/Softball Registration
- Cub Scout Pack 465 News
- Save the Parks

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