



PEACE DALE NEWSLETTER
SEPTEMBER, 2010
Peace Dale Phone Number 360-1600



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Peace Dale Families,

The first weeks of school have been exciting and productive. Classes have established their routines and students are adjusting nicely to their new schedules. I must say, that the children of Peace Dale School are the happiest group of children I have met. They are polite, respectful, and welcoming. You should all be commended for the values you have already instilled in your children.

DISMISSAL REMINDERS

Please remember to send a note in with your child if you are changing his/her dismissal plans.

Calling the school with last minute changes should be avoided. This can cause confusion, and should be done only if there is an emergency.

Pick-ups minutes before dismissal in the office should also be avoided. While we understand some last minute changes are unavoidable, this is a time of transition for students and it is difficult to locate where the students are.

We ask that parents who are picking their child up from school wait for the front door to be opened (2:45). Please don't use the side door if you are picking your child up in the library at regular dismissal time.

If your child is a walker, the students are walked to the crosswalk on Kersey Road. It is important that your child knows what to do at that point.

If you are writing a note for your child to take a different bus home, you must call the bus company and get their permission. The busses are full this year and they may not be able to accommodate additional students.

SCHOOL HOURS

8:25 - supervision begins

8:40 - first bell, children expected to be in building

8:40 - school begins, students marked tardy after this time

FIRST DAY PACKET

A First day packet was sent home with each child the first week of school. Please fill out this information and return it to the school as soon as possible.

PHONE NUMBERS

Peace Dale Main Office	360-1600
Chartwells	360-1055
First Student (bus)	782-1287

CARES UPDATE

Welcome parents/guardians to the 2010 - 2011 school year! Are you planning on volunteering in a classroom this school year? It is district practice that all classroom volunteers attend the CARES orientation before volunteering. Visit our website www.skcares.org to fill out an application. Cares will contact you with our orientation schedules. Questions? Please call CARES at 360-1304 or email us at caresoffice@skschools.net.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE NURSE



Welcome Everyone!

My name is Rachel Cruz and I am the School Nurse at Peace Dale School.

The health and well-being of your child is very important to me. I will be conducting health screenings (vision, hearing and dental) throughout the school year. Please check my web page on the Peace Dale website.

Please notify me if your child is sick with a communicable disease, such as strep throat, chicken pox, lice, pink eye or any other contagious illness. My phone number is 360-1691.

If you call your child in absent in the morning, please include his/her symptoms.

I have been reviewing health records for immunizations and physical exams. You will be notified if any information is missing. Please be prompt with your responses and check backpacks often for notifications.

If your child needs medication at school, please check the website for forms. They can be downloaded or call me and I will send them backpack express. Remember, all medications must stay at the nurse's office. Prescription medications require a physician's signature and over-the-counter medications require a parent's signature.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns.

Rachel Cruz
School Nurse

NECAP TESTING

NECAP testing will take place on October 6th, 7th, 8th, 13th, 14th and 15th. Please make sure your child is in school (and on time) on these days.

LOOKING FOR GENTLY USED JACKETS

We are collecting gently used jackets to donate to needy families. There will be a coat rack in our main lobby where you can hang them. Please only donate clean, like-new jackets, if you can include a hanger, that would be helpful. Drop them off in the main office. Thank you!!



OPEN HOUSE REMINDER

Parents and adults only

- Monday, September 27th for grades K-2 at 6:30
- Wednesday, September 29th for grades 3 - 4 at 6:30

Parent teacher conferences are on December 3rd, look for parent teacher sign-ups in your child's classroom during open house.

To provide the best program, we ask that children do not attend this event.

NEW SECURITY SYSTEM



We have heightened our security system at Peace Dale. The doors to the school remain locked during the day and you will need use the side door (to the left) and ring the bell.

POPCORN FRIDAY



Popcorn Friday / Spirit day is on the last Friday of every month. Popcorn is 50-cents.