The Bulldog Bulletin



Alden Primary School - November 2023

A Note from Mr. Stepnick

Dear Primary School Families,

It's hard to believe, but in a few short weeks, we'll already be wrapping up our first trimester of the 2023–2024 school year. As we plow ahead into November, I wanted to share a few updates and reminders:

Coats/Hats/Gloves

Teachers will continue trying to get classes outside as long as the weather permits. Please ensure that your child is adequately prepared for the cooler temps and inclement weather. Unanticipated emergencies are always possible, so having the proper clothing is essential for unplanned events such as evacuation drills, transportation issues, etc.

School Breakfast

We never want any of our students to start their day on an empty stomach. If your child is supposed to be receiving breakfast at school, please check with them to ensure that they are going down each morning. Students who eat breakfast at school go directly to the cafeteria upon arrival and eat before reporting to their rooms. Breakfast runs from 7:45 - 8:10 AM each morning. Teachers do not have any way of knowing who should be attending breakfast unless they hear from you. If you would like to send in a note to clarify, that would be extremely helpful for our staff. Thank you for your assistance!

Parent Teacher Conferences

Parent–Teacher Conference Day is scheduled for Friday, December 8^{th} . K–5 students

School-Wide Reading Program

This year, all of our K-2 students have the opportunity to participate in the Pizza Hut BOOK IT! Program which encourages daily reading at home. As students complete their daily reading (reading to an adult, being read to, reading with a sibling), they color in the image on their monthly log (Nov. log is attached).

At the end of the month, students turn their logs in to their classroom teacher who enters their participation online. Students who meet the assigned goal are rewarded with a certificate for a FREE personal pan pizza!



Pizza Hut Express 4920 Transit Rd Depew, NY 14043

Pizza Hut Express 4300 Veterans Memorial Dr. Batavia, NY 14020

Pizza Hut 4255 Genesee St Cheektowaga, NY 14225

are not in attendance on this day. If you have not signed up for a conference time, please reach out to your child's teacher(s) to coordinate a slot. This year, although in-person conferences are preferred, phone conferences may be scheduled for special circumstances. Please confirm your arrangements with the classroom teachers well in advance of this date.

PTO Happenings

<u>Tuesday, November 14th - 3:00 PM</u>
Primary School PTO Meeting (Library)

Volunteer Training - Tue, Nov. 7th (8:30 AM @ APS)



Apparel Sale - Orders ready to be picked up. Check e-mail!

Fun Run - Thursday, May 17th



Questions?

Please contact Jackie Canetti, PTO President, at 716–983–1650 or aldenprimarypto@yahoo.com

Curriculum Carnival and Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who stopped out to attend our Curriculum Carnival on Friday, October 20th. The students seemed to have a

wonderful time playing the different games and our student presenters did an amazing job creating their projects and displays!





postponing this fun and exciting night due to a lack of volunteers. We never want to disappoint our students, but in order to offer these evenings to our families, we will certainly need more help in the future.

This year, each of our grade levels will have a PTO Fun Night and I would highly encourage families to attend a PTO meeting and consider getting involved. Without support from our families, these upcoming nights will also be in jeopardy of being canceled.



Halloween Parade

Our PS Halloween Parade is available for all families to view on the WACS News Youtube site: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r_ImIOPooBM



News and Notes:

*If you are unexpectedly picking your child up, please try to send a note to your child's teacher in the morning. If an emergency comes up, call the main office as soon as you know to limit confusion at dismissal time. If you can call before noon, it makes things much easier for everyone!



ELO Winter Session I

Nov. 6-9 & 13-16

ELO Winter Session II

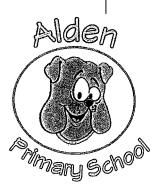
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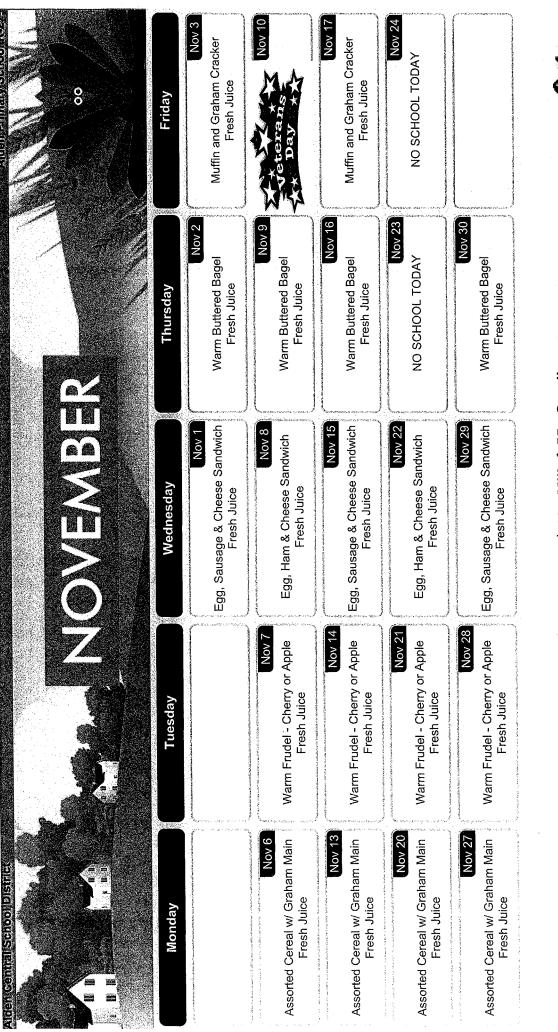


ELO Pick-Up occurs from 3:45-4:00 PM in the PS Loop.



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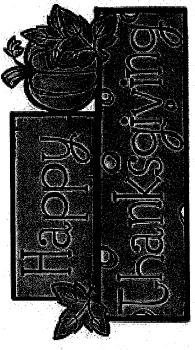


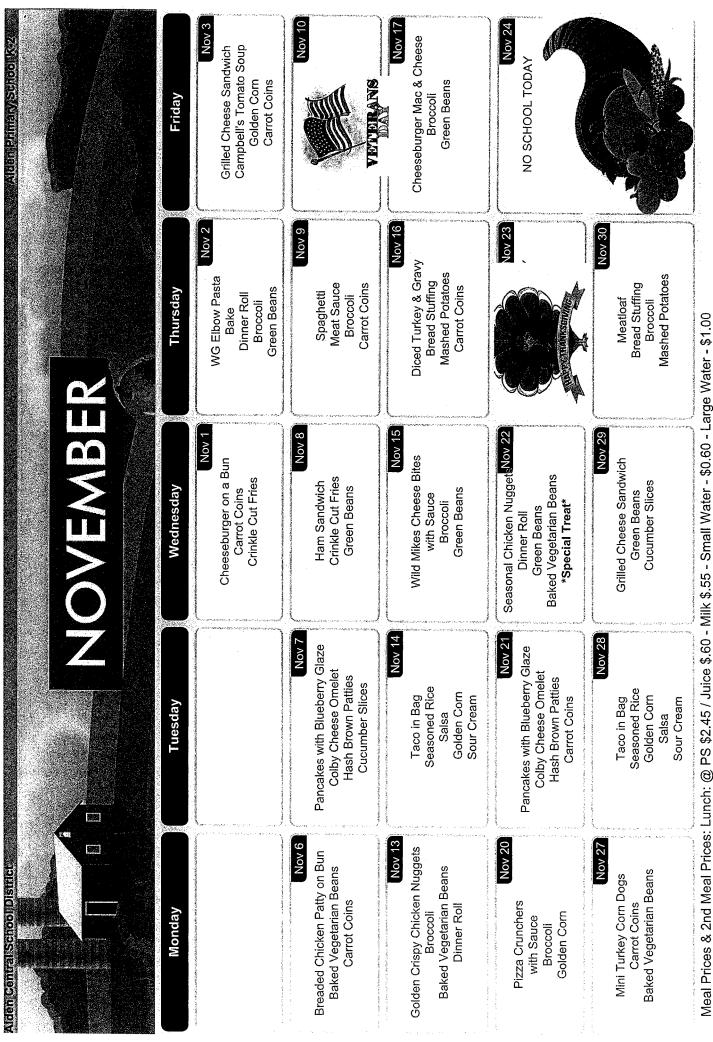


Meal Prices & 2nd Meal Prices: Breakfast: @ PS \$1.55 / Juice \$.60 - Milk \$.55 - Small Water - \$0.60 - Large Water - \$1.00

Daily Items: Milk Variety, Fresh Fruit Variety and Canned Fruit Variety. Always Offered: Cold Cereal & Graham, Pop-Tart Meal & Yogurt Meal.

substitute)? Contact Reanna Lizauckas @ 716-937-9116 X 4186. This Institution is an Interested in working as a Lunch Monitor or Food Service Helper (regular or equal opportunity provider. Menu is subject to change.

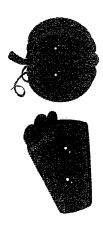




equal opportunity provider. Menu is subject to change. **ICE CREAM AVAILABLE FRIDAY FOR PURCHASE \$.75-\$1.25** A La Carte Sales: Pretzels \$0.75 / Cheese Interested in working as a Lunch Monitor or Food Service Helper (regular or substitute)? Contact Reanna Lizauckas @ 716-937-9116 X 4186. This Institution is an Daily Items: Milk Variety, Fresh Fruit Variety and Canned Fruit Variety. Always Offered: Pizza, Yogurt Lunch & PB&J. Slice \$0.25 / Yogurt 4oz. \$0.50/ WG Cheese It \$0.50 / Scooby-Doo Gummies \$0.75



NOVEMBER 2023 Reading Log



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WNY United & Rupp Pfalzgraf Attorneys present:

HEalthy Choices ART & Poetry Contest 2023 to explore a drug & alcohol free life!

CALLING All ARTISTS & POETS IN GRADES K-12!

Create an original piece of artwork or poetry showcasing your healthy choices

 Any medium is acceptable (water colors, markers charcoal, acrylic, oils, colored pencils (etc), on paper, card stock, canvas, (etc).

Maximum size for a flat piece is 11"x17

- Poems must be on 8.5"x11" paper- use a separate piece of paper for each page & do not staple pages together.
 - Type or hand write very neatly. (Decorating poems is acceptable but does not factor into judging)

Judging Criteria:

- Clarity- impact of message
- Creativity- inspired design
- Craftsmanship/Skill-based on age

Grade Categories:

K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12

First Place: \$50 & Certificate Second Place: \$25 & Certificate Third Place: \$20 & Certificate Honorable Mention: Certificate

SUBMISSIONS: DUE BY NOVEMBER 14, 2023

Entries to: WNY United Against Drug & MAIL: Alcohol Abuse, Inc., PO BOX 635, Orchard Park, NY 14127

> (Please label: "Healthy Choices Art/Poetry Contest") ALL entries MUST be accompanied by entry forms on the reverse or printed from our website.

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Enter online at www.wnyunited.org by clicking on the yellow Healthy Choices circle on the home page. Complete the entry form, upload your file and submit.

- Poetry submit a Word Doc, or PDF of the poem
- Art submit a photo of the artwork as JPG or

ALL entries MUST be submitted with a COMPLETE entry form

Display & Awards Ceremony:

All winning entries will be on display at the Hamburg Fairgrounds Festival of Lights and published on our social media platforms & website. Please provide a parent/guardian phone number and email so we may contact the winners! Awards ceremony TBD.

RULES: Do not incorporate any copyrighted literature or characters. Any entry that does so will not be considered for judging. All submissions must be original and the exclusive work of the person entering the contest in idea, design & execution.

All entries become the property of WNY United Against Drug & Alcohol Abuse. Sponsors assume no responsibility for late, lost, illegible, damaged, incorrect, postage-due, incomplete, misdirected mail/entries or their materials.

Entries will not be returned. Prize money will be in the form of a check that will be mailed or hand delivered.



If you have questions about this contest, please contact Kate Chudoba at kchudoba@wnyunited.org or call (716) 821-7722 x314



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Healthy Choices Art & Poetry Contest 2023 ENTRY FORMS

SCHOOLS THAT ARE SUBMITTING: Art & Poetry must be separated by age category (K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12).

To be considered eligible for prizes, all information below must be completed and must be received by: November 14, 2023

Mail all entries to: WNY United Against Drug & Alcohol Abuse, Inc. PO BOX 635 Orchard Park, NY 14127 (Please label: "Healthy Choices Art/Poetry Contest") OR Online at www.wnyunited.org and click on the yellow Healthy Choices circle on the homepage to enter & submit art works

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Check box if entering Poetry Contest

☐ Check box if entering Art Contest