

ARBOR VIEW EXPLORERS

THE COMPASS November 17, 2017

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Nov. 20- D Day



Tuesday, Nov. 21 - E Day



Wednesday, Nov. 22 - A Day

- 2:06 - Dismissal

Thursday, Nov. 23 - B Day

- No School - Thanksgiving Break

Friday, Nov. 24 - C Day

- No School - Thanksgiving Break

On the horizon...

Nov. 28 - Texas Roadhouse Night

Nov. 30 - 3rd grade field trip

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Arbor View Families,

Morning reminders -

- Walking club begins at 7:55
- Kids can be dropped off as early as 7:30 if eating breakfast; if not eating breakfast please don't arrive before 7:50
- Pull forward in the right lane as far as possible - the one way sign is a great place to stop if there isn't anyone in front of you
- If an adult is waving your car forward please keep moving

Winter Weather -

- It's a good idea to have coats, gloves and hats to stay warm at walking club and recess - we will have the kids outside unless it is too cold
- Don't forget to label them - if these items have been lost feel free to check our lost and found

Adult traffic help - If you are interested in helping to greet students, open car doors and help move traffic along in the morning please email me at tsidders@epsne.org. Any help is welcome, even if it for one day a week. All you need is a positive attitude, a willingness to smile, say good morning and wave traffic along!

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PTO News

Next Meeting - Monday, January 22nd - Dr. Habrock will visit to discuss district growth at 7:30pm

Upcoming PTO family dinner nights -

Obviously, there is no expectation that families attend each event. PTO tries to set up a variety of these nights for your convenience as a family knowing a night out to eat could support your favorite elementary school!

Nov. 28th - Texas Roadhouse Night

Meetings for the year - mark your calendars

*childcare should be available beginning with the September meeting

*All meetings are held in the Arbor View Media Center unless communicated otherwise

No December meeting

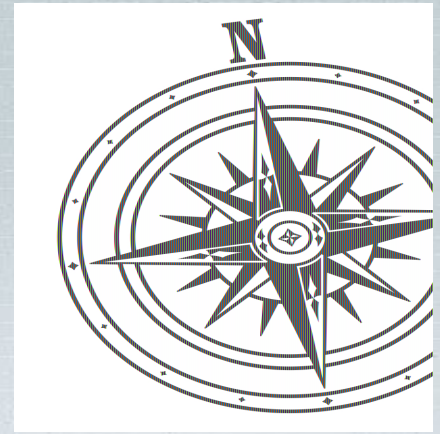
Monday, February 5th @6:30

Monday, March 5th @6:30

Monday, April 9th @6:30

Monday, May 7th @6:30

There will be plenty of opportunities for all family members to get involved this year. All you need to do is show up and volunteer! Who knows, if you have a friend who attends a meeting, he or she just might volunteer you anyway. The best way to control your own PTO destiny is to attend all meetings. A strong, positive partnership between the school and the parent organization will ensure our school community continues to thrive as we grow! :)



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Click on "Buy your students yearbook"

Enter Arbor View Elementary, Elkhorn
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Photos- submit photos for the
yearbook to

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Contact Bethany Harnisch at
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questions.

Holiday Shopping Made Easy! The Arbor View PTO is offering some new apparel plus bringing back some old favorites—just in time for the Holidays! Go to cishirts.com and click on the team stores section to find the Arbor View Fall 2017 store or follow this link: <https://cishirts.com/go/4pky>! Support your school by giving the gift of school apparel to all of your family! The sale ends at Midnight on December 3rd. Any questions, contact Megan Edwards at megeing12@hotmail.com.



Tech Tips for Building Newsletters – November 2017

Understanding Digital Citizenship

As Elkhorn Public Schools expands access to technology for instructional purposes, the district is also aware of the need to define digital citizenship and promote the importance of students being good digital citizens. In addition to providing information to students, we believe it may also be helpful to share resources with families. This brochure explains the components of digital citizenship as well as some best practices for being a good digital citizen. The following information is from Common Sense Media; to learn more, visit www.commonsensemedia.com.

Internet Safety and Privacy

Several topics are vital to ensuring full understanding of the importance of safe Internet practices:

- Identify risky online situations and explain the importance of alerting an adult immediately
- Secure all devices, both hand-held and stationary and develop high quality passwords
- Understand the dangers of downloads and how they are used as part of your digital footprint
- Identify appropriate information that can be shared. Most importantly, those using the Internet should always remember there is no such thing as total privacy online.

Digital Footprint, Communication and Reputation

Individuals utilizing the Internet and social media must understand that all online activity leaves a digital footprint in the form of information that exists about an individual as a result of their online activity. Because this information is easily linked to a specific individual, it can oftentimes be used to harm a person's reputation, even outside of the cyber world. Individuals should remember that what they are putting out there today will still be available for years to come. Being aware of this may be the difference between being hired for your dream job, and being passed over due to unflattering information that was discovered from one's use of an online platform earlier in life. For those wanting to clean up their digital footprint and move forward with creating a positive one, the following steps should be considered:

- Review all social media accounts and delete anything that you wouldn't want a future employer to access, but remember that even "deleted" posts can still turn up in searches so always think twice before posting anything; once that step is complete, turn all settings to private and monitor the settings regularly, as sites often update their settings and some things could change without your knowledge.
- Delete abandoned accounts and unsubscribe to mailing lists that might be considered undesirable or that you no longer find relevant.
- Post about topics you're passionate about and explain why you feel that way; find positive things happening around you and share those instead of today's most viral video.

Creative Credit and Copyright

There are several ways to ensure proper credit is given and copyright is protected when using information gathered online; the most important of those being correctly citing sources, avoiding plagiarism, and always checking any images used for creator's rights.

Information Literacy

Information literacy is a term often associated with understanding the tools used to gather information and knowing where that information is coming from. Individuals utilizing the Internet for research should always be sure that the information they are collecting is accurate and reliable by verifying the credibility of any website utilized in the information collection process.

Balancing Technology Use

Parents often look for new ways to create a balance between learning and using technology appropriately, and participating in other activities that are essential to a child's development. Finding that balance between the two can be the difference between a healthy relationship and an unhealthy reliance. Several strategies exist to ensure that a healthy relationship with technology is built beginning with the early stages of use. The following information is from research done by Michigan State University Extension; to learn more, visit <https://goo.gl/bMC2a3>.

Understand Your Pattern of Use and Create Boundaries

Most people don't realize the amount of time they spend using technology unless it is pointed out to them. Take an inventory of your family's use and understand when, why, and how you're using technology. Is all of it necessary? Are you and/or your family benefiting from that time spent with technology? Understanding your pattern of use is the first step in creating boundaries that both you and your family can stick to.

Be Intentional in Determining Downtime

Being constantly connected can hinder active learning, as one becomes passive in taking in new information because he or she is constantly "learning" new things. Taking a step away from technology and the absorption of information allows one's brain a needed break and creates an active learning environment. By being intentional in determining technology downtime, you are giving your brain that break to be able to focus on other things.

Be the Example and Set the Expectation

Kids learn by following an example - following the same technology use rules you set for your children is the best way to show them a healthy relationship with technology. Setting usage time limits, creating intentional face-to-face opportunities, and implementing device-free zones are all ways to ensure too much time isn't spent on technology for entertainment purposes.

Student Council Service Project

The Arbor View Student Council will be honoring “Homelessness and Hunger Awareness week” next week by collecting paper products, canned goods and non-perishable food products for our local food pantry.

We are asking for donations to be delivered to Arbor View no later than November 20th.

Items needed in particular include:

kleenex/facial tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, boxed food meals such as hamburger helper, etc.