



SILAS WILLARD

WILDCAT NEWS

September/October 2015 Parent Newsletter

Candy Bar Sales

We will have Fannie Mae Candy Bars for sale for \$1 each. Each student needs to have a permission slip filled out to sell the candy bars. Each student is asked to sell 16 candy bars. There are 8 varieties. If you would like to sell more, there is a re-order form in your box of candy bars.

WEATHER WATCH

As the weather continues to become cooler, please make sure to send students with jackets or sweaters to keep them warm and comfortable. We will be outside for recess each day, so we want to make sure students are dressed appropriately for the weather!

LUNCH INFORMATION

This is just a reminder that you can access the lunch menus on our school website at: <http://silas205.weebly.com/>

You can also put money in your student's account by logging into your Skyward account!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW, FOR UPCOMING EVENTS:

- ▶ **September 4**-End of AIMSWeb Testing
- ▶ **September 7**-No School, in observance of Labor Day
- ▶ **September 17**- PTO meeting
- ▶ **September 18**-Picture Day
- ▶ **September 23**-Silas Candy Bar Fundraiser Starts
- ▶ **September 25**-PBIS Celebration
- ▶ **October 2**-5th Graders will Meet the GHS Marching Streaks from 1:30-2pm at GHS
- ▶ **October 8**-1/2 Day early dismissal at 12:15pm
- ▶ **October 12**-NO SCHOOL, Columbus Day
- ▶ **October 15**-PTO meeting at 6:30pm
- ▶ **October 16**-2 hour early dismissal at 1:30pm
- ▶ **October 19**-Curious George at the Orpheum: K, 10am-11am and 1, 1-2pm
- ▶ **October 22**-PBIS Celebration
- ▶ **October 22 and 27** P/T Conferences
- ▶ **October 23**-No School
- ▶ **October 26-29**-Book Fair!!
- ▶ **October 29**-Halloween Parade and Parties at 1:30pm
- ▶ **October 30**-NO SCHOOL, due to Institute Day



Silas Super H.E.R.O. of the Week Starts in September!

Silas Teachers will be honoring the outstanding behavior of our students by nominating a Super H.E.R.O. each week! A Silas Super H.E.R.O. is one that is Helpful, Excited about Learning, Responsible and Respectful, and Organized and On Time.



In an effort to save paper and conserve district resources we will not be sending printed copies of the monthly breakfast and lunch menus. You can access our monthly menus on the Silas Website.

Communication Updates!

Keep up to date on what is happening at Silas Willard, by following us on Twitter! Our Twitter feed is: "Silas_Wildcats". We would also like to invite you to "Like" our Facebook Page "Silas Willard Elementary School". Finally, please check on our Silas Willard Website: silas205.weebly.com/

Morning Drop-Off Information

Starting, August 31st, we are going to be having a playground rotation for morning arrivals at school. This rotation is put in place to provide the maximum amount of safety and supervision for all students. This will start at 8:35am, which is the normal morning drop off time. Students are not allowed to be dropped off before this time.

Starting on the 31st, grades 3-5 will be allowed to play on the playground and the basketball court area in the morning. Grades K-2 will be lined up in their lines as they have done the past week and a half. On the following week, we will rotate and the students in grades K-2 will be allowed on the playground and basketball court areas, while the 3-5 grades are lined up.

On days where there is bad weather and we are inside, student will be brought into the building and seated in their designated areas throughout the building. All students on days of bad weather will need to enter through the gym doors. Parents can take students to the door and then the students will go to their locations. Parents will not be able to come into the school with their students, as there is not enough room to accommodate this and we have supervision already prepared to take care of your student(s).

I would like to thank all of you for your work in keeping the drop off area moving smoothly and quickly. It is with your help that we are able to make this a smooth process!

1, 2, 3, 4, WE DECLARE A DUCK WAR! LET'S BUY SOME DUCKS, SILAS FAMILIES!

The **Galesburg Public Schools Foundation's Annual Duck Race** has become an "end of summer rite" as hundreds of adults and children gather at Lake Storey each September to watch the cardboard boat regatta and then *cheer on their winning duck!*

Lake Storey is the place to be on **Sunday, September 13, 2015!** We share this fun day with the folks from the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta where their races start around noon. The Duck Race starts immediately following the last boat race, usually around 2:00 pm. Rain or shine - we are racing! Parking is free. Souvenirs and food will be available.

The revenue generated from this re"*duck*"ulously family friendly fundraising event allows the Foundation to award monetary grants to each school in District 205. Each school determines their use of Foundation dollars in realizing our goal which is to enhance the educational opportunities for all students. The Foundation is proud to sponsor the **Annual Rubber Duck Race**.

The [Galesburg Public Schools Foundation](http://www.gbupgsf.org) is a chartered, not-for-profit foundation with a 501 (c) (3) tax-exempt status. The purpose of the Foundation is to raise funds to enhance the educational opportunities in District 205 and to strengthen the relationship between the public schools and the community. The Foundation is governed by a Board of Directors with an Administrator managing the volunteers and running the day to day operations.

Visit our website at www.gbupgsf.org for more information.

