

Hopewell Happenings

Back to school edition

8/18/2023

Dear Hopewell families,
Happy Friday! A few important items before we begin school:

You should have received an email from Pick up Patrol this week. Please be sure to confirm and update your information. If you did not see an email, please check your spam folder. If you still cannot find the email, please reach out to Mrs. Roth: rothp@slsd.org



REMINDER

If you have not already, please complete your "First Day"/Beginning of the year forms for each Hopewell student by clicking [here](#).
Thank you to the families who have completed this!

We have many upcoming events-please see below for more information.

Have a great weekend!
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Hopewell Kindergarten Orientation



Thursday, August 24th

Welcome, Kindergarten families!

You are invited to an optional kindergarten Orientation on Thursday, August 24th. Kindergarten students and families will meet the teacher and see their classroom. Kindergarten teachers will provide an overview of information and read aloud a book to the students. If you plan to attend, please come at your "designated time." Parking will be limited, so it is important to stick to the times listed below. We can't wait to see you!

*Find Mrs. Oakes room by following the ladybugs



*Find Mrs. Smillie's room by following the Smiles



AM Kindergarten students and families

3:15-3:30 PM-Check-in at the Hopewell Lobby. Families will receive a packet of helpful information for the 23-24 school year. Students will receive a welcome bag and their school iPad. Please go to the table labeled with your teacher's name to receive this.

3:30-4:00-Time in your classroom. Meet your teacher and listen to a story.

PM Kindergarten students and families

4:15-4:30 PM Check-in at the Hopewell Lobby. Families will receive a packet of helpful information for the 23-24 school year. Students will receive a welcome bag and their school iPad. Please go to the table labeled with your teacher's name to receive this.

4:30-5:00-Time in your classroom. Meet your teacher and listen to a story.

There may be time at the end of your classroom session to come back to the lobby to meet our PTA or look around the school.

If you aren't able to attend, please don't worry! We will have plenty of staff to greet students on day one and get them where they need to go. Those students will receive their packet, iPad, and bag on the first day of school.



HOPEWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

GRADES 1-3



OPEN HOUSE



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH 5:00-6:30PM



Parents and students are invited to explore and tour
Hopewell Elementary School for Open House night.

Enjoy your visit: Come and go any time between 5:00-6:15
pm to check out your classroom and say hi to your teacher!

You may also visit special area classes and common areas.
The lobby will have "Information Stations" set up where you
can get information you may need, and meet our PTA and
other staff.

We look forward to seeing you!



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8/24-Kindergarten Orientation:

AM Kindergarten students and families

3:30-4:00 [3:15 check-in]

PM Kindergarten students and families

4:30-5:00 [4:15 check-in]

8/28-First day of school!

8/30-Grades 1-3 Open House-

Wednesday, August 30th, 5:00-6:30 pm

(Come and go any time)

9/1 & 9/4-No School for Labor Day Holiday

9/6-PTA meeting 9:30 am

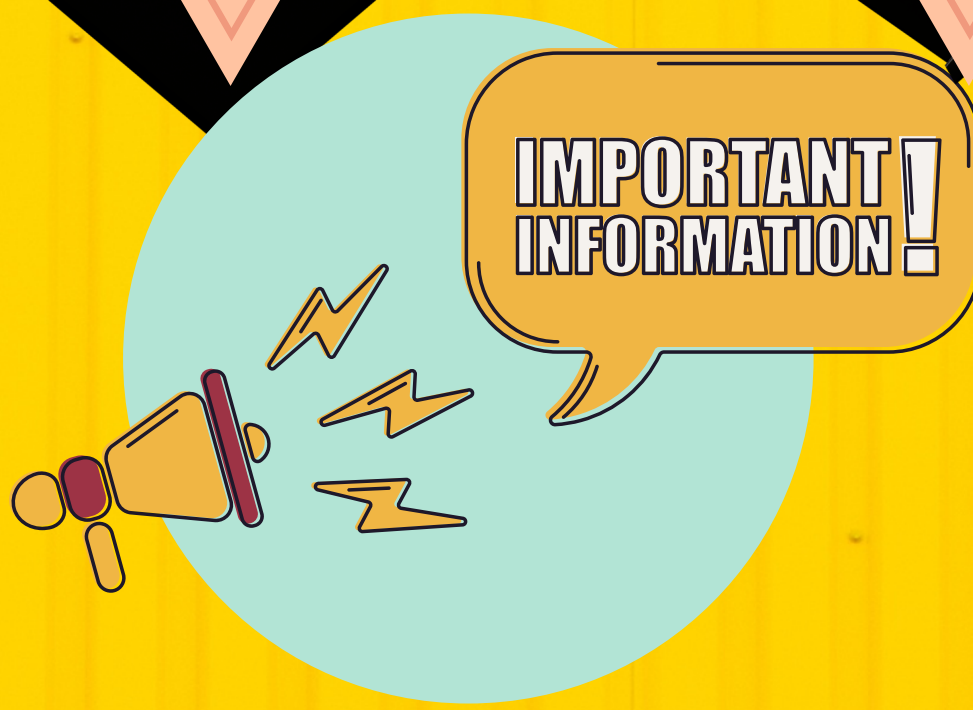
9/8- PTA assembly & tie dye shirts

9/11-Wear **red, **white**, and **blue****

9/22-Spirit Day: Mismatch Day

9/25-Students are off; Staff Professional Development Day

9/29-"Movin & Groovin"-wear your tie-dye shirts



Parent Drop Off/Pick Up:

All grade levels will be dropped off and picked up at the main entrance.

AM drop-off is from **8:45-8:59 am**. The school day starts at 9:00 am. PM pick-up is at **3:30 pm**. PM kindergarten children should arrive no earlier than 12:50 p.m.

We appreciate your patience as there may be a large number of students dropped off/picked up. Staff will be on duty to assist students in the building. Always enter and exit from the Bowood St. entrance. Once on school grounds, turn left at the stop sign and proceed to the front of the school (do not enter or exit the Bus Lane entrance). Please do not park at the bus entrance during PM pick-up. We will continue using the Pick Up Patrol (PUP) system for dismissal. Please make sure you are signed up and the information is updated appropriately. Emails will go out next week.

Breakfast, Lunch, & Recess

Breakfast will be offered again this year. The state budget just passed, and now **breakfast will be free for all students**.

Lunch meals are \$3.00 for students and no cost for students who qualify for reduced or free. A la carte milk is \$0.55. You can set up an account and add money using EZSchoolpay.com. The cafeteria also accepts cash or checks payable to "Southern Lehigh Cafeteria." Please have your child's full name and student ID #. Students who are purchasing lunch must know their 6-digit **student ID #**. Lunch menus are linked on the "Quick Links" above and available on our district website. Copies will be sent home each month.

3rd-grade lunch is 11:15-11:45 am

1st-grade lunch is 11:50 am-12:20 pm

2nd-grade lunch is 12:25-12:55 pm

Students in grades 1-3 will have a 25-30-minute recess period daily. Please dress appropriately for the weather.

Technology

Please make sure to come with your charged device on day one. New students will receive their devices on the first day of school. Kindergarten students will receive their device at Orientation or on the first day of school if they can not attend orientation.

Please remind your child that their device is for **school-related assignments only**.

Devices will be sent home daily. Please be sure to charge each night and return. Devices are **not allowed** out on the bus. If you need technology assistance throughout the year, please contact our SLSD tech helpdesk.

Transportation

Please check your bus cards for your stop, pick-up, and drop-off times. It is essential to be out at the bus stop on time or earlier. We appreciate your patience the first couple of weeks as the drivers become familiar with their routes. Please talk to your child about appropriate behavior on the bus. We review bus expectations at school and appreciate you reinforcing them at home so that our bus drivers can focus on the road and get everyone home safely.

