



## BUILDING WORLD CLASS THINKERS

### PIONEER PATH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL, *LAURA DUBOIS*

*January 18, 2018*

SCHOOL WEBSITE ADDRESS: [www.csd17.org](http://www.csd17.org)

ABSENCE HOTLINE NUMBER: 521-2191

- Jan. 22-26 - MAP Testing
- Feb. 6 - Family Fun Night
- Feb. 7 - Global School Play Day
- Feb. 16 - NO SCHOOL Teacher Institute Day
- Feb. 19 - NO SCHOOL Presidents Day
- Feb. 23 - End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester

CLICK ON THE LINK TO SEE COMMUNITY EVENTS THROUGH OUR [\(VIRTUAL BACKPACK\)](#).

***TOMORROW IS SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY! WEAR YOUR FAVORITE RED & WHITE.***



#### **Update from School Social Worker:**

Classroom groups have begun again, and students are learning about the varying sizes of problems, ranging from tiny to huge. We are taking time to define each term and brainstorm examples in each category! Students also are color-coding a personal visual aid that matches their classroom visual aid. Next up: sizes of reactions! An important life skill is that students need to ensure that size of their reaction always matches the size of their problem!

Emily Kath, MSW, LCSW  
School Social Worker

Check out the ***Home School Connection*** articles for some great insight, ideas and tidbits for parents and families. [\(click here\)](#)

# Technology News.....

## A Walk in the PARCC



Students in grades 3 - 8 are starting to get ready to take the PARCC test in March. Everything they learn throughout the school year helps them

prepare for the academic part of the test; there also needs to be a chance to learn the tech tools associated with the test, though. Students can learn how to use some of the tools they can use on the test by visiting the [PARCC website](#) then clicking Tutorials under Test Preparation. Feel free to visit the site yourself to see the online environment for yourself!

While students at NBG do not take the PARCC test, students there prepare for the test every day academically but also when they practice finding their way around the keyboard, perfect their mouse skills, and learn how to navigate a website.

All of these tech skills have applicability beyond the PARCC test; these are skills all of use every day

whenever we use our phones, tablets, and/or computers.



## smART News

From Mrs. Verbic:

Mrs. Hibner & Mrs. Ness's classes will be traveling to the 4 Rivers Environmental Educational Center this upcoming Monday, 1/22, during their scheduled Art class time. Students will be taking photographs outside, so please be sure to have them dress warmly. If the weather does not permit us to go on this date, we will reschedule for the following Monday.



## “NOTES” FROM THE MUSIC ROOM

### *Musical Dates*

Third Grade -- Thursday, April 2

We will perform at Minooka High School Central Campus



Choir has started up again this week. We have begun working on our spring performance, called “It’s Gotta Be Jazz”. If your child is interested in joining, please look for the note that was sent home last week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at [cpettigrew@csd17.org](mailto:cpettigrew@csd17.org)

Thanks-

Mrs. Pettigrew

- PTO NEWS [click here](#)
- BOX TOPS CLIP SHEET [\(click here\)](#)
- NURSE NEWS [click here](#)
- MUSIC BOOSTER NEWS [click here](#)

## **WINTER WEATHER WEAR**

With the cold weather upon us, please make sure your child comes to school dressed appropriately to spend time outside. Most classes do still go outside for recess at lunch, as well as at other times throughout the day. A warm coat, hat, scarf, mittens/gloves and boots will help keep your child warm and comfortable while enjoying their time outdoors.



## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING SCHOOL CLOSING**

As we are in the winter months and the possibility of inclement weather is upon us, please follow these steps for up to date information regarding school in session or school not in session: CHECK OUR DISTRICT WEBSITE IMMEDIATELY- A message will be scrolling across the top of the [www.csd17.org](http://www.csd17.org) home page if school has been canceled. CHECK YOUR EMAIL- An email will be sent directly to you telling you that school has been canceled. TUNE INTO RADIO STATIONS- 1340 WJOL, 98.3 WCCQ, 96.7 STAR, 100.7 RXQ, 103.1 WCSJ, 95.7 WJDK, 780 WBBM, 720 WGN TUNE INTO TV STATIONS- Channel 5 News, ABC 7 Chicago, CLTV, Fox News Chicago ACCESS THIS EMERGENCY SITE- [www.EmergencyClosings.com](http://www.EmergencyClosings.com) CALL THE CHANNAHON DISTRICT 17 ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER @ 815-467-4315.

# **Fight Like Brody Wristbands**

## **Sponsored by Channahon Baseball**

**Any donation amount is appreciated  
Please see Miss Holly for one.**



**\*This is not a school sponsored fundraiser and is not endorsed  
by Channahon School Dist. 17**



## CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT 17 KINDERGARTEN "ROUND-UP"

Channahon School District 17 is trying to "round-up" all prospective Kindergarteners for the next school year.

**IF YOUR CHILD WILL BE FIVE YEARS OLD ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1st, 2018 AND LIVES**

**IN THE CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT, HE/SHE IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND KINDERGARTEN NEXT YEAR. AN ORIGINAL BIRTH CERTIFICATE AND PROOF OF DIST. 17 RESIDENCY WILL BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER.**

Registration packets will be distributed to children in the following programs: Channahon Park District Preschool, Mrs. Mariellen's Preschool, Minooka United Methodist Preschool, Kidz Korner, Kiddie Kampus, and the N.B. Galloway Early Childhood and Little Learners programs.

If you have, or know of, an eligible child who is **not** enrolled in one of these programs, please complete the following form and return to your child's school. We will provide a registration packet for each child.

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STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

OLDER SIBLING YOU WISH PACKET SENT WITH:

SIBLING NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_



We are reaching out to you to share the exciting news. This year the Channahon PTO Pancake Breakfast will be benefitting St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. The event will take place on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 8am – 11 am at the Channahon Junior High, 24917 W. Sioux Dr., in Channahon.

Children of our schools and community have always been the focus of our mission. We strive to enhance the social and educational experience of each and every child. This year, we are raising awareness for research and treatment of pediatric cancer at St. Jude because too often, families in our community are forever changed when their child is diagnosed with cancer. We hope that you will stand with us in the fight against pediatric cancer and support the Pancake Breakfast.

You have a few easy ways to provide support. You can:

- 1) Be a monetary donor – any amount, no matter how small will make an impact
- 2) Consider donating an item or service for the raffle and/or silent auction. This can be an item (big or small) or a basket. We appreciate anything that is donated.
- 3) Place a special ad showcasing your business on the placemats that will be viewed by each of our guests and will be featured on all social media promoting the event – or you can feature a note of encouragement to the children of St. Jude or show your school spirit for School District 17. Contact Julie Straley @ 708-204-3501 or via email at [channahonpto@gmail.com](mailto:channahonpto@gmail.com) for info.
- 4) Donate your time on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Email us at [channahonpto@gmail.com](mailto:channahonpto@gmail.com), or text/call Julie Straley @ 708-204-3501 if you are able to lend a hand that day. Even an hour will help.

A benefit committee member would be glad to pick up your donation at your convenience. Or you can send it to school with your child. Your much needed contribution will assist us in helping the families at St. Jude.

Thank you for joining in the battle against pediatric cancer,

Channahon PTO