



Castle Corner

Castle Elementary School
6675 – 50th Street North
Oakdale, MN 55128

Castle Website:

<http://castleelementaryschool.webaloo.com>

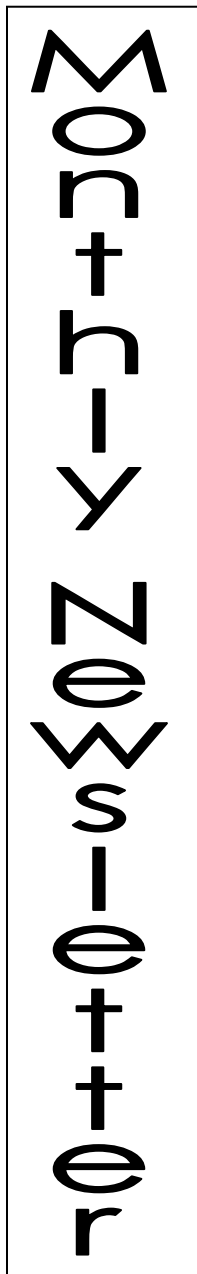
District Website: www.isd622.org

Phone #: (651) 748-6700

School Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Principal, Kerri Town

The newsletter is also available on our web page.



Dear Castle Families,

What a beautiful fall we have had...it seems as if the colors have lasted a long time! The sky has a different look lately and it would seem winter is on the way. Please be sure to send appropriate outerwear for your child as we want to get them outside each day (weather permitting).

Castle Elementary School is offering a new, convenient communication tool called "Castle-Backpack". I know that many of our families already receive this email from us at home or at work. You may sign up to have it sent to as many email addresses as you wish. In other words, you may wish to have it sent to home and to work, or you may wish to have it sent to mom's house and dad's house, etc. It is an easy way to stay connected to school. We have been sending information out to families this fall including upcoming events, reminders, etc. We would like to eventually include teacher newsletters, Nurse's Notes, and other important reminders in order to go paperless which is both financially and environmentally appropriate. We will also be sending the Castle Corner newsletter through the listserv. You can access it either by receiving Castle-Backpack email or on the Castle website. As we receive feedback from families we will determine when we can also go paperless with the newsletter.

We keep our calendar on our website up-to-date as well. In fact, I believe the one on our website is more accurate than the printed version you get during open house. I would always recommend you check the web calendar for up-to-the-minute changes along with signing up to receive the Castle-Backpack email for the most current information.

To sign up for our listserv please send an email to listsrv@isd622.org. In the body of the message, please include subscribe Castle-Backpack last name, first name.

Example: To: listsrv@isd622.org
Subject: (leave blank)
Subscribe Castle-Backpack Doe, John

Sincerely,

Kerri Town
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Notes from the Nurse

Health Office: 651-748-6715

****It is VERY important that parents/guardians call the Castle School Attendance Line at 651-748-6717 every time your child is absent due to illness, appointments, or is going to be late to school. Please include your child's name, the reason for the absence, and a phone number where you can be contacted. The Attendance line is available 24 hours a day for your convenience.***

*Please remember to update Emergency Cards if phone numbers change. It is important to have accurate information in an emergency.

*Please notify the Health Office if your child has an injury that may need care by the school nurse such as stitches, broken/sprained limbs, rashes, etc. It is VERY important that the Health Office is aware and is able to give appropriate care to your child.

*Did you know? If your child is late to school (past 10:00 a.m.) they will be marked absent for ½ a day. Also, if they leave before 2:00 p.m., they will be marked ½ day absent.

*If your child is late to school, they MUST check in at the office to receive a pass to class so they are not marked absent.

*If the Health Office leaves a message for a student absence, please try to return the call on the same day.

*Please notify the Health Office if your child is absent from school due to chicken pox. It is required that we report chicken pox cases to the MN Dept. of Health.

Lunchroom Volunteers

We would like to have lunchroom volunteers in the lunchroom EVERYDAY! Whether you can help once a week, or once a month, we would love to have more help all year! Duties include: opening milk cartons/packets, cutting fruit, etc. We especially need help with Kindergarten and 1st grade 11:15 – 12:15. Let us know if you can help – 651-748-6700.

Notes from the Main Office

*When visiting Castle School, please check in at the office and receive a green visitor's sticker. This is for the safety of our staff and students.

*Please call the school office at 651-748-6700 by 2:45 p.m. if you need to pick up your child "at the last minute" at the end of the day and you didn't send a note.

Dates to Remember

Nov. 12 – PTO Meeting 6-8 pm
Nov. 12 – Sally Foster – pick up orders in they gym from 3-6 pm
Nov. 13 – Burger King Night 4-8
Nov. 21 – No School
Nov. 22 – No School
Nov. 23 – No School
Nov. 29 – Home Town Creamery Night 6-8 pm
Nov. 29 – 1st Trimester Ends
Nov. 30 – No School

Book Fair

The Book Fair has been rescheduled to December 10-14. Watch for a flyer in December to announce the times it will be open.

School Delays/Closings

In the event of a potential delay or school closing, please log onto www.isd622.org or check the TV listings under NORTH ST.

PAUL/MAPLEWOOD/OAKDALE School District – it will not be listed as Castle School. Please discuss a plan with your child if school is dismissed early.

Outside Recess

Please be aware that ALL students go outside for recess everyday unless the wind-chill is below 0. Please be sure your child is dressed for the weather!

Sally Foster Delivery

Sally Foster orders will be delivered on Monday, November 12. Please plan to pick up your orders from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. Cookie dough orders are perishable and need to be picked up Monday night. If anything is wrong with the order, please contact Julie at 651-777-3977 immediately!

Report Cards

Student report cards will be sent home with students on Friday, December 7. Please check your child's backpack for this important document.

