



SAUNDERS MIDDLE SCHOOL

SAUNDERS MEANS SUCCESS FOR ALL

June, 2010

From the Principal's Corner



We coming close to the end of another successful academic and athletic year, so before we do I want to publicly thank our teachers, coaches, support personnel, PTSO and the myriad of parent volunteers and business

partners which help make Saunders so successful. Summer is almost here and the students are anxiously awaiting the activities that lie ahead. Still, we have another week and your assistance in helping students stay focused is appreciated. Please remind them to wear the proper clothing and to conduct themselves as expected. We have great students, so just a little nudge should be sufficient. Finally, I'd like to mention the activities I've recently attended, which highlighted the capabilities and achievements of our students. There was a wonderful band concert, presented by our 6th, 7th and 8th grade students, as well as the 8th grade awards and NJHS ceremonies. We have so much of which we can be proud. Let's continue to challenge and celebrate the successes of our children. Have a safe, relaxing and fun-filled summer everyone!

DON'T MISS WELCOME WEEK FOR RISING SIXTH GRADERS:

August 23rd to August 26th!!

Rising Sixth grade students are reminded to register for Welcome Week. This is a week devoted to ensuring rising sixth grade students



transition into middle school smoothly. All information is on the website.

Looking for a chance to get involved?

PAC (Principal's Advisory Council) is looking for five parent representatives representing the diverse populations within the school boundaries. If you would like to be a member of PAC, please let Ms. Gray know! All Saunders' parents are welcome!

From the library:

We enjoyed having you all in the library this year. Hope you enjoyed the new books and new look! Keep reading over the summer, in fact; check out the library site on the school website. The list of 2010-11 Virginia Readers' Choice is posted, as is the summer reading list. Have a happy and safe summer. See you in September!



Mr. Walker and Ms. Daly

No zeroes all year in 7th!!

Argonauts Team:

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| Cole, Leslie | Fuson, Mariela |
| Hernandez-martinez, Manuel | Poch, Jonathan |
| Medeiros, John | Ray, Adrita |
| Zeto, John | |

Stars Team

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| Backman, Austin | Bailey, Makayla |
| Baptist, Josh | Cho, Ryan |
| Fuson, Samuel | Hoang, Theresa |

SAUNDERS MISSION STATEMENT

Students and Staff will achieve their personal best academically, socially, and emotionally to include personal responsibility to the school community and as citizens of a diverse world. The possibility to develop those skills will be offered in a nurturing and challenging school climate, which fosters respect for self and others. Instruction will embody a variety of educational resources, current available technology, and instructional approaches that address individual needs and learning styles. The curriculum will be integrated and developmentally appropriate.

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Idris, Bashir	Konicki, Alexis
Lloyd, Ben	Lowry, Malone
Lyttle, Alexis	Mehdi, Kabeer
Mehr, Melissa	Neaveill, Lauren
Pragides, Chelsea	Russell, Lexi
Taylor, Nathan	Umana, Luis
Weiler, Lauren	Weinhold, Jack
Wheeler, Peri	Wortman, Julia

Peter Le
John Medeiros
Jonathan Poch
Sabrina Schwerzler
Emily Stafira
Tony Zeto



Walk-Fit Club

For the 2010-2011 School Year, the Walk-Fit Club will be meeting in the Fall and Spring. The club meets on Tuesday and Thursday, from 3:00-4:00. There is an activity bus provided. Please pick up a permission slip from Mrs. Pannocchia in the gym. We walk on the sidewalks throughout the neighborhood. Come join us and find fitness and friends!

Stripes Team:

Alvarez, Samuel	Bean, Kylie
Cavendish, Lauren	Clark, Andre
Clasen, Raina	Cogan, Colin
Davis, Dia	Fuller, Madison
Godin, Holly	O'Connor, Colin
Keomalavong, Natosha	Le, Peter
Stafira, Emily	

\$100 on Responsibility Registers All Year in 7th!!!

Alvarez, Samuel	Bean, Kylie
Best, Arnita	Davis, Dia
Gaitan, Gianni	Godin, Holly
Gomes, Celine	Le, Peter
Hernandez-Martinez, Manuel	
Majors, Kendra	Medeiros, John
Payne, Shante	Pooch, Jonathan
Stafira, Emily	Weiler, Lauren

Seventh Grade Straight A's All Year!!

Andre Clark
Raina Clasen
Leslie Cole
Dia Davis
Theresa Hoang
Paul Hurley



Sports Physicals

Sports Physicals will be offered here at Saunders on Monday, September 7th. They will be in the gym at 6:30 for \$27. All physicals must be dated after May 1st of 2010 to be current for the school year.

Ways to Help Your Child Develop a Love of Reading

School may be out for the summer, but do not put the books away—at least not the ones read for pleasure. Summertime is a great time to read purely for the joy of reading. Here are a few ways to help your child develop habits that may lead to the love of reading. Your child can try any, or all, of these suggestions.

- Read several books around one topic.
- Read several books by one author.
- Read several books in one genre.
- Read different kinds of text (newspapers, magazines, appropriate websites, appropriate blogs, books).
- Discuss the book you are reading.
- Create a cozy spot to enjoy a good book.
- Read books that support a hobby or interest.

Most of all make reading a daily habit. Have a great summer!

H. Alexander
Reading Specialist



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GUIDANCE INFORMATION!!



REMOVING A HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT!

Students enrolled in any high school credit class will receive a high school credit at the successful completion of the course(s). A letter was sent home in the fall notifying parents of the procedure and deadlines, which must be followed if they elect to have the credit omitted from the transcript. Parents must write a letter to their student's high school Counseling office by August 15th if they choose to remove any high school credit taken in middle school.

NEED TO CHANGE YOUR HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE?

High school scheduling has been completed at the middle school. Parents are asked to contact the high school regarding any class changes.

DON'T FORGET ABOUT SUMMER READING!

All students attending High School in the fall are reminded of the summer reading for 9th grade English classes. Parents may contact the high school your child is attending for further information or can try to access any the information on the school's website. All H.S. websites can be accessed by going to pwcs.edu. Summer Reading is required for all PRE AP English students. Each high school has specifics instructions on how they want the summer reading to be summarized. All summer reading requirements are due the first week of school. Students attending other high schools for specialty programs should contact the individual school for required reading.

ATTENTION PARENTS – DON'T MISS HOMEROOM PICK UP FOR NEXT YEAR!

Please contact the Counseling office now if you have any scheduling questions regarding your child for

next year. Students will receive their homeroom teacher's name next August at Orientation.

The 7th and 8th grade homeroom pick up will be conducted at Saunders on Thursday, August 26th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

The 6th grade homeroom pick up will be conducted on Friday, August the 27th from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

*All grade level student supplies lists will be located on the website.

Supply Lists

6th grade:

Loose Leaf Notebook Paper –Wide Ruled

2 Pencils

Glue Sticks

Scissors

Colored Pencils or Crayons

Red Pens for checking

Blue/Black Pens

Highlighter

2-3 large book covers

Pencil Pouch

Social Studies:

Spiral notebook – either single subject or multiple section

Language Arts:

Spiral Notebooks –multiple section (5 subject)

One Marble composition book

Science: 1 Thin (1" or 1-1/2") 3 ring binder

Math:

Calculator – Basic 4 function (to be kept at home)

Unbreakable Ruler with Standard/Metric

Measurement

Spiral notebook

1 Thin (1" or 1-1/2") 3 ring binder

Protractor

For Homeroom Teacher:

3 large boxes of tissues



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Please note:

Rolling backpacks are NOT needed at Saunders and do not fit in the lockers.

It never hurts to have extra materials (paper, binders, etc.) at home

Not all of these materials will be needed at the beginning of the year. Keep many at home (like protractors) until requested.

7th Grade:

- 12 #2 Pencils to **start** the year
 - 4 marbled (composition) notebooks for math and 2 for language arts (McGarrahan)
 - 3 Large, "pink pearl" erasers
 - Several Packages of wide-ruled loose-leaf white notebook paper
 - 1 Pack of blue and/or black ink pens
 - 4 or more Highlighters
 - 1 pack of Red pens
 - At least 6 Glue sticks
 - 1 one-subject spiral notebook for Fisher's social studies class only
 - small pencil sharpener
 - 1 Five-subject spiral non-perforated pages
 - 1 pack of subject dividers for Franklin's science class only
 - 1 Clear ruler with centimeters and inches
 - 4 Packs of 3 by 5 cards 300 cards; to stay organized the cards on a spiral are preferred, but not required (one pack needed per subject)
 - 4 One Inch poly binders (don't get them larger...bigger isn't better!)
 - 3 Packs of subject dividers No pockets -preferred (math, social studies, and lang. arts)
 - 1 Package of graph paper
 - 2 Large boxes of tissues to homeroom
 - 3 Dry-erase markers
 - 1 box of colored pencils
- Optional: a flash drive, scissors, and individual antiseptic hand-wash

Money Saving Tips

-Pay attention to sales at Staples, Walmart, Target, Office Depot, etc.

-All students must put their names on them and all belongings so they have a better chance of getting things back if or when they lose them.

-If you buy large quantities of pencils or pens, please reserve some at home. Most students need three to five pencils and two pens to start the school day.

-Try to stay away from spiral notebooks with pictures or fancy designs. They cost more. If they are needed, buy solid color "no-name" spirals.



MyLunchMoney.com

Students attending Prince William County next year will have their account balances available when school starts. MyLunchMoney.com will be available starting **August 23, 2010** for the new school year.

