



**NO SCHOOL - MLK JR.
JANUARY 16**



**BE A SOUP-ER HERO
NOW THRU JANUARY 27**



**DADDY DAUGHTER
DANCE - FEB. 10 6-8:30**



Mrs. Karsbaek's 3rd grade class made popcorn snowman treat cups and added a touching holiday greeting for the residents at Clare Oaks. The residents loved the cups/cards and the thought behind them.

From the Desk of Principal Jimenez

Dear Liberty Families,

Happy 2017! I hope your winter break was fun and relaxing. We are happy to welcome back our students and begin this exciting new semester of learning. This school year we have continued learning about the “keys of excellence” with our students to further build their character. Teachers have discussed ownership, speaking with good purpose and commitment during the past months. The key for the month of January is “failure leads to success.” To live this key successfully we need to change the way we think about failure. Rather than viewing failure in a negative way, we teach our students to think of failure as a valuable learning experience. When we look at our mistakes as a way to learn from them we are on the path to success! We hope you can talk to your child about how learning from our mistakes helps to move us forward towards our goals.

The only real failure is not learning from our mistakes. The key to success is to look carefully at what went wrong, change what we did the first time and try again by applying what we learned. Our ultimate goal is for our students to use these lifelong strategies to positively impact their lives. Thank you for supporting us with this.

With warm regards,

Mrs. Jimenez

Be a SOUP-er Hero!



Hello Families!

Please help your child be a "Soup-er" hero! You can send in non-perishable food to help restock our community food pantry beginning on Tuesday, January 17th through Friday, January 27th. Through our Liberty Step-Up Club, we like to share the joy of giving and of practicing the 4-C's. This time we are showing CARE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. We are so lucky to have such fantastic families because you are always so supportive of Step-Up Club's efforts! Thank you in advance for your participation in our latest "kindness".

Mrs. Shales and Step-Up Club Students

MLK Essay Winner

We are so proud of our 5th grade student **Tarani Kalagara** for receiving **2nd place** in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. essay contest organized by School District U-46 and the City of Elgin. Tarani wrote her essay in response to the question "Is non-violence the answer?"



Save the Date!



RESTAURANT NIGHT

Jersey Mike's in Bartlett
December 14th - 18th

HOLIDAY SHOP

Thursday, December 8th

6p-8p

Wednesday, December 14th

6p-8p

ORCHESTRA CONCERT

December 13th

7pm

South Elgin HS (SEHS)

JEWEL MATH NIGHT

December 15th

WINTER BREAK

NO SCHOOL

December 22nd -

January 6th

Enjoy!

SPRING SING

April 18th (Grades 1, 3, 4)

April 19th (2, 5, 6 & Chorus)

6:30 at SEHS

Tchoukball Champions

Congratulations to the Alligators on their Liberty Tchoukball League Championship! It was an exciting season for all involved, but in the end it was the Alligators who defeated the Frogs in six games and were able to hoist the Liberty Cup. Great job everyone!



Pictured: (left to right) Sofia, Austin, John Paul, Zach, JJ, Zahra and Tarani.

Box Tops

Box Tops, Box Tops....calling all Collectors!



We have been gathering our box tops for 2 months. Please have your child turn in their collection by January 31st. **(Remember to put them in a bag - tagged with their name & teachers name!)**

We will be awarding the top TWO earning students per grade with the Box Top spirit stick!

Yearbook

Don't forget to order your yearbook at www.jostensyearbook.com. Type in 'Liberty Elementary' to complete your order.

Time is running out - reserve your copy now!



http://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/2359739/Liberty-Elementary-School/2017-Yearbook/20160706041547463208/CATALOG_SHOP

If you have any questions, please email our yearbook coordinator, Paige Battermann at paige@battermann1.com.

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Spring Sing - Save the Date

The students have all been working with our wonderful music teachers to prepare for the Spring Sing. Mark your calendars now so you don't miss the wonderful performance!



Tuesday, April 18th

Grade 1: 6:30 PM

Grades 3 & 4: 7:30 PM

Wednesday, April 19th

Grade 2: 6:30 PM

Grades 5 & 6 + Chorus: 7:30

Fun Fair - Coming March 10th



So many kids look forward to our fabulous Fun Fair and this year will be no different! Our ever popular cake walk will have even MORE cakes than past years! Some favorite games will return while some new ones will be there to try out! Save

the date on your calendar so your family can join in on the fun. More information to come in the following weeks.

Daddy Daughter Dance

Last chance to order tickets for this magical night for Dad and his little girl(s). Friday February 10th 6:00-9:00 pm

Tickets 30 per couple and \$5.00 each additional daughter.

Spirit Sticks

January Spirit Sticks will be sold on Thursday, January 20th - don't forget to bring \$1 so you can add it to your collection!

We love our Volunteers

Thank you to those that have signed up to volunteer for one of our many upcoming fun events. Without volunteers, we wouldn't be able to host so many fun events that our students and parents love. ****The PTO is always looking for new ideas for fundraisers and events. If you have a new idea, please email volunteerforliberty@gmail.com and a member of the PTO board will contact you.**

Easy Ways to Raise Money for Liberty - check it out!



It's easy - buy gift cards for your favorite stores through scrip & you automatically earn money for Liberty Elementary! Look for another flyer/email in early December.



Simply cut out these labels on popular merchandise & send them with your child. We have a fantastic group of volunteers that cut them to size, count them up and send them in for **free money** for the school!



Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Liberty PTO!! All you have to do is select "Liberty Elementary PTO" and use the smile.amazon.com URL every time you shop. Sign up today!



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