

Calendar of Events for the Month of November 2009

- Sunday, Nov. 1st: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS - move clocks back 1 hour.
- Monday, Nov. 2nd: Salvation Army Food Drive begins. Please bring in your canned goods.
- Tuesday, Nov. 3th: Election Day - Bake Sale for voters sponsored by the PTO
- Thursday, Nov. 5th: Fire Prevention presentation by the Salem Fire Dept. -
Grade 3 @ 9:30 in the gym. Grade 2 @10:30 in the gym.
- Saturday, Nov. 7th: Bates P.T. O. Coat & Food Drive - 9:00 - 2:00pm - Bates School
- Tuesday, Nov. 10th: Bates School Council meeting - 4:30pm - Conference room
- Wed., Nov. 11th: Holiday - Veterans' Day - No school
- Monday, Nov. 16th: Last day for Salvation Army Food Drive
- Thursday, Nov. 19th: School assembly - Dress rehearsal - 2nd grade Thanksgiving Show - 9:00
PTO meeting - 6:30 pm - Library
- Friday, Nov. 20th: Thanksgiving Show - 2nd grade - All parents invited. - 9:00 am Cafeteria
- Wed., Nov. 25th: **Early Release Day - Note change in time**
Beginning of Thanksgiving recess. All children will be dismissed at
11:00 a.m Lunch will not be served. Transportation will be provided.
Please make arrangements to have your child picked up at this time and also
a reminder to make arrangements to be their for them at their bus stop.
- Thursday, Nov. 26th: Thanksgiving - No School
- Friday, Nov. 27th: Thanksgiving recess - No School

Absentee Phone line: You must call the attendance telephone number (978-740-1172) when your child is going to be absent from school. In anticipation of the upcoming Flu season, we have left instructions on this line as to the information that we need about your child's absence. This line has an answering machine that is available 24 hours a day. Also, if you want homework for your child this can be left on the absent line. Please do not call the main school telephone number to report absences. All absent calls should be followed by a note when the child returns to school. We really need everyone to cooperate when their child is not going to be in school by calling this line and letting us know the reason why. We appreciate your cooperation.

In addition, please make note of the Early Release days and the dismissal times. All students need to be picked up in a timely fashion.

Tardiness: The teachers and administrators are working hard to encourage all students to come to school on time, ready to learn. Currently about 5 1/2 to 6% of our students are late on a daily basis. Please make every effort to have your student here on time! If you need help with busing etc., please stop by the office and pick up a bus application. Your cooperation is appreciated.

If your address or telephone number has changed, please keep the Office updated. Thank you!

Happy Thanksgiving to all!