Great Blue Heron Herald- October 18th

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Hello Blue Heron Families,

I hope that your weekend was full of family time and relaxation! Our week here at May Sands is off to a great start as we begin the first week of our second quarter. This morning we started off the day with a brief video clip to show how doing one kind gesture will change the course of someone's day. Mrs. Lynn shared it with us and now I share it with you. Take a moment to watch it with your child and have them recount what we discussed in class this morning. They were all very insightful and had a lot to share.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nwAYpLVyeFU

Conferences

Thank you to the families who joined me in the first round of conferences last Friday! Please make sure to double check your schedules so you are on time for meetings. If you signed up for a virtual conference, watch your email for the Google meet link.

If there is anything you wish to cover specifically about your child in our conference, please be sure to let me know in advance so I can be prepared for our short time together.

If you have not signed up or you need a reminder of your date/time: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054CA9AC2AA2F58-2021

<u>Headphones</u>

We are embarking on a journey into Foreign Language! We are lucky enough to have access to the program Duolingo here at school. The children have found it very exciting to learn as they have chosen the language and have been practicing for 2 weeks (or more). For this program to work best, I encourage students to bring a pair of wired headphones to use with their chrome books. Make sure that the headphones brought in are simplistic in nature, it is not necessary for gaming headsets to be brought in. Also, avoid the Bluetooth enabled variety as they will not pair with our equipment.

Awareness of Media Consumption

It has come to my attention that some of our students may be watching content at home that you may/may not be aware of. Please take time to check in with what your child is watching, be it Netflix, YouTube, HBOMax or any other streaming service.

Some of our friends have mentioned the show on Netflix titled "Squid Games". After researching this show, this is most definitely not something that is appropriate for our age group to be viewing. This is an adult themed show centered around violence towards others as well as a myriad of other themes not suitable for children, especially in the school environment.

Just trying to bring an awareness to what our children are watching.

Octobers Theme: "What Makes You Unique?"

This month we are focusing on what makes us who we are. What makes us unique? What is it that makes you a good friend, sister/brother, son/daughter, human being? Talk with your child about what they think they can bring to the table that no one else can. Is there a talent that they possess that no one else does? Do they see their world in a different way than you do? Find that special something and talk about it. You can't know how you impact someone else unless you know who you are!

Rabbit Care

The students are very excited about the prospect of taking our furry companion home for a weeken during the year. Please click below to secure your week!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054ca9ac2aa2f58-rabbit1

It takes a village!

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