



THE BEAR FACTS

Scotia Union School District Monthly Newsletter/June, 2021

The last day of school is Thursday, June 17, but we are planning for next year! We plan to be back to pre-pandemic school routines for next year, including full school days, and all students attending in person. One unknown at this point is the mask requirement. We will follow health department guidelines, and will notify families using our all call system prior to the start of school with final details.

Some changes for next year will include the retirement of Mrs. Close and Mrs. McKnight. Mrs. Close is planning to spend more time with her husband, Wally, after 40 years of teaching at Scotia School. Mrs. Close has taught countless students the joy of learning and reading, and will be sorely missed! Mrs. McKnight started our on-site lunch and breakfast programs, and is responsible for setting up our cafeteria, our greenhouse program, as well as introducing our students to healthy meals that taste great too! Mrs. Scharnberg is also going to return to retirement, after sharing her expertise and love of music with our students for the past two years! We appreciate her dedication, and her creativity this past year, keeping music alive and well despite COVID restrictions! We are also sad to say goodbye to Mrs. Matheson, who will be staying home with her family and spending more time riding her horses! We wish her well and will miss her smile!

Kindergarten Registration is underway! For kindergarten, a child must turn 5 by September 1. For transitional kindergarten, a child must turn 5 by December 2. Please call the school or stop by the front playground during Wednesday work pack pick up/drop off if you have questions or need a registration packet.

We are planning for next year. If your child(ren) will not be attending Scotia School in the fall, please call the office or email Mrs. Walsh at twalsh@scotiaschool.org. We look forward to seeing you all in the fall!

After School Program (ASES) paperwork for next year is available from Mrs. Lisa or from the office. We anticipate a waiting list again next year, so please turn in your paperwork as soon as possible to hold your child's place in the program.

NO ASES THE FINAL WEEK OF SCHOOL, JUNE 14-17

Incoming 7th graders **MUST** have proof of Tdap and 2 Varicella immunizations, and all other immunizations must be up to date, prior to the first day of 7th grade. Any seventh graders without proof of updated vaccinations, including Tdap and 2 Varicella doses, will NOT be able to attend school, and will be sent home. *(the COVID-19 vaccination is not a requirement for school age students)* Immunization information will be sent home with report cards on the last day of school. Please provide proof of immunizations prior to or on the first day of school. You can drop off paperwork at the office in June or August, mail it to P.O. Box 217, email it to twalsh@scotiaschool.org, or fax it to 764-5111.

Students of the Month for May: Madison Jones, Max Ciarbellini, Amanda Leaton, Rosemary Amaral, Kahlia Mandon, Braelyn Regan, Logan Gibney

Swag Award Winners for May: Timmy Keppeler, Bricen Vital, Jubal Tuey, Annaleise Baillie, Branson Rumley, Bethannie Shahid, Isaiah Shahid, Aden Santos

Thank you, Scotia School Families, for a successful book fair! We will be able to purchase books, materials, and supplies for our library with the proceeds from the fair!

Congratulations to two of our teachers for being recognized by The Humboldt County Office of Education! Congratulations to Miss Ross, Jean Olson Career Achievement Award Winner, and Mrs. Stockwell, Excellence in Teaching Award Winner! Read more about both of them in this month's Rio Dell Scotia News!

Our Gym project is beginning this summer! The area around the gym will be a construction zone for the next few years. Beginning next year, student drop off and pick up will be changing. More information will be sent home later, but please plan to drive UP B Street (in front of the Medical Center), pull to the curb where the bus currently parks, have your child get out of the car and walk along the sidewalk, and then drive DOWN Church Street. Please plan to **NOT** drive UP Church Street before or after school next year. We are all willing to be inconvenienced to keep our students safe, and to get our new gym built!