

Quarryville Elementary School

FEBRUARY/MARCH

NEWSLETTER

A MESSAGE FROM MRS. GAJECKI

I'm excited to share with you the great things that are happening at Quarryville Elementary school. Students are working hard in their classrooms to continue to master new skills and content. We are looking forward to warmer weather and more fun activities in the spring months!

Thank you for all you do to help create an exciting, supportive environment at QE! Together, we can accomplish great things!

READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK

At QE, we will be celebrating Read Across America Week from February 27-March 3. Please join us in the following activities:

- **READO Boards** - students completed READO boards are due on March 3rd for a prize.
- **Spirit Day** - Students and teachers are invited to wear animal inspired wear (animal print, shirts with animals, colors of their favorite animal) on Thursday, March 2nd.
- **StoryWalk Event** - March 2nd from 5:30-7:00pm

SWAPPE SHOPPE AT QE

The Swappe Shoppe is a free clothing resource for all Solanco students. We have gently worn clothing and shoes for boys and girls size 4T to 14/16. Please call the school office (717-786-2546) to schedule an appointment.

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

- Please remember to send an excuse note when your child is absent. If an excuse note is not received within 3 days, the absence will be marked illegal.
- The district uses the automated phone system for many important announcements, please make sure we have a current phone number on file. To update your phone number call the Main Office at 717-786-2546.
- Please send a note for any early dismissals, parent pick up and/or bus requests. If you forget a note, please call the office before 3:00 pm for any end of day changes.
- Educational trip forms must be completed and turned in to school 5 days in advance of your planned trip.



ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL REMINDERS

This school year we continue to have an increased number of car riders. Please keep the following items in mind if you are providing transportation for your learner(s):

- Students arriving to school between 9:00am and 9:15am should enter at the cafeteria doors. Students should remain in the vehicle until the vehicle is between blue cones. All students should exit the vehicle on the passenger side. Adults should remain in the vehicle and proceed through the drive loop after the student(s) is safely on the sidewalk.
- Students arriving before 9:00am should remain in the vehicle and must be supervised by an adult. School staff is not at the entrance until 9:00am.
- Anyone needing to enter the office at this time must park in a parking space and cross the drive loop at the crosswalk.
- If your child arrives after 9:15 am, a parent/guardian/designated adult **MUST** walk them in to the office and sign them in with a reason for the lateness. A student may not walk in by themselves after 9:15 am.



IMPORTANT PSSA DATES

- April 25-27, 2023 - English Language Arts – 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade
- May 2-3, 2023 - Math – 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade
- May 4, 2023 - Science – 4th Grade
- We appreciate your efforts to avoid doctor's appointments, late arrivals of students, and early dismissals during testing. We start testing by 9:30 am and usually test through 12:00 noon. On May 4, students in grade 4 will have a testing session in the morning and the afternoon. Ensuring students arrive at school on time, goes a long way to provide a calm environment for all of our learners.
- Information for PSSA Spirit Days will be shared closer to our testing days.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 2 – StoryWalk Event – 5:30–7:00pm
- March 3 – School is in session (calendar listed as no school – WMUD)
- March 7 – PTO Meeting, 4pm in the cafeteria
- March 8 – Music in Our Schools Assembly – grades 3, 4, 5
- March 16 – PTO Paint Night – 5:50–6:30 and 7:00–8:00
- March 17 – Spring Picture Day – Flyers coming soon
- March 20 – Fifth Grade Grandparent Visitations, 1:45–2:45pm
- March 23 – First Grade Grandparent Visitations, 11:30–12:30pm
- March 24 – Fourth Grade Grandparent Visitations, 12:45–1:45pm
- March 28 – Kindergarten Grandparent Visitations, 9:45–10:45am and 1:45–2:45pm
- March 29 – End of 3rd Marking Period
- March 31 – Third Grade Grandparent Visitations, 12:15–1:15pm
- April 3 – BINGO Night (with Raffle Basket Sale)
- April 4 – PTO Meeting, 4pm in cafeteria
- April 4 – Report Cards Distributed
- April 7 and 10 – No School
- April 14 – Second Grade Grandparent Visitations, 2:15–3:15pm
- April 20 – Grades 3, 4, 5 Travel to High School for Elementary Spring Fine Arts Assembly
- April 21 – PTO ACES Day (event held during the day for students)
- April 25, 26, 27 – PSSA ELA Testing (Grades 3, 4, 5)
- May 2, 3 – PSSA Math Testing (Grades 3, 4, 5)
- May 4 – PSSA Science Testing (Grade 4)
- May 5 – No School (Weather Make Up Day)
- May 8–12 – PSSA Testing – Make Up Sessions
- May 26 – PTO Spring Reward Day (event held during the day for students)
- May 29 – No School
- June 7 – Last Day of School (Tentative)

SCHOOL INFORMATION

- School: Quarryville Elementary
- Address: 211 S. Hess Street
Quarryville, PA 17566
- Phone: 717-786-2546
- Fax: 717-786-4997
- District Web Site: www.solanco.org
- Principal: Mrs. Rebecca Gajecki
- Secretaries: Mrs. Elaine Elliott and
Mrs. Emily Horne
- Counselor: Mrs. Mary Humphries
- Nurse: Mrs. Mollie Truitt

