Dear Parents,

Safety is a top priority for the staff at Springville. Throughout the year, we practice drills to ensure that students and staff know where to go in the event of an emergency. Fire drills are practiced each month with at least one fire drill led by the Omaha Fire Department. Students know how to exit the building quickly and quietly. The entire building can be evacuated in under 2 minutes.

Severe weather drills are practiced early in the fall and again in the spring. In the event of severe weather, students move quickly and quietly into assigned areas in the 110 rooms (second grade classrooms). We are careful to avoid the atrium opting to use the back hallways to travel. The 110 rooms are specially designed to withstand high winds.

Bus drills are practiced in the fall and spring. Buses are equipped with exits in the front, back and on the roof. Students who ride buses practice exiting the bus through the emergency door at the back of the bus. Student bus leaders assist in making sure that children clear the bus area.

Lock down drills are practiced at school. Lock downs are held in the event of an unknown intruder in the building. All classrooms are locked until an all clear signal is given.

This year, we will be adding an evacuation drill to our safety drills. An evacuation drill is utilized if we need to move students off the Springville campus. Our evacuation site is Olive Crest. We will conduct an evacuation drill before winter break.

Safety audits are conducted annually. In a safety audit, an officer comes to the school unannounced. He checks for locked doors and any dangers on the grounds. The officer conducts interviews with administrative staff, completes a report and makes suggestions to improve safety for our students. Safety audits are scheduled by Omaha Police Department.

With Thanksgiving just a few days away, I want to take this opportunity to extend a sincere thank you for all you do to make Springville such a great place for staff and students. Your support is imperative as we work to provide a rich, educational experience for our young people.

As always, please do not hesitate to call me with any questions or concerns you might have.

Sincerely,
Susan Cloyed

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 18
Penny Drive – 11/18-11/22

November 26
Grandfriends Day – 2:00 p.m.

November 27-29
NO SCHOOL
Thanksgiving Recess

December 4
Donuts in December
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.
In the Springville Library

December 6
4th Grade goes to the Nutcracker

December 9 – 13
Food Bank Drive

December 12
K – 2 Winter Program
2:00 p.m.

December 13
All School Winter Program
10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.
This year, Springville is partnering with SchoolStore.com to raise money for classroom tools and our Student Activity Account. This program is 100% online. Families who have signed up to help, sent out emails letting friends and family members know how they can help contribute to Springville. Contributions can be made by donations, purchasing items online or shopping online at Springville’s School Store. We have earned a total of $4,054.34 in school rewards!

If you are doing holiday shopping online, please consider using Springville’s School Store to make your purchase. It is linked to over 400 merchants by going through SchoolStore.com and listing Springville in Omaha, NE as your school. Springville earns a percentage of the sales purchased under this account. We appreciate your support!

**Important Notes from Our PTA**

Thank you, Jennifer Gourdine and Nicole Kennedy for volunteering for the Fundraiser delivery. We appreciate you.

**CONGRATULATIONS to the PTA volunteers whose names were drawn for front row seats:**

Karra Chipman  
Nicole Kennedy  
Cindy Newton  
Danielle Ellis-Lindauer

Nicole Kennedy  
Leanne McDonald  
Mandy Owen  
Virginia Peterson

**Upcoming Events:**

11/14 – Dine out at Runza from 5:00-8:00 p.m. 15% of **ALL** proceeds from the night go to Springville. Invite your friends and family!

11/18-22 – 1, 2, 3, 4 We Declare a Penny War. Flyer coming home today.

11/26 – Family Night at Pump it Up from 6:00-8:00 p.m. $6/child, parents and children under 2 are FREE! 25% of the proceeds go to Springville.

12/4 – Donuts in December in the Springville Library from 8:30-9:00 a.m. All families are welcome to join.

**Parent Math Night**

Do you struggle to help your child with their math homework? Do you wish you understood more about how math is taught today? Don’t miss the upcoming K-6 Math Night. OPS is excited to host a math night for parents. This parent only event will take place at:

Ashland Park-Robbins  
5050 S. 51st Street

First Session: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Second Session: 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Childcare is not available.

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