



# Arthur Stevenson Elementary

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## January 2023 Newsletter

### Message from Ms. Farquhar:

As our calendar year draws to a close at Arthur Stevenson, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude for all your support. Our staff and students feel very lucky to have families who work with the school as a team. The most recent evidence of that teamwork and shared enjoyment and participation by our school community was with our Winter concert series this year. It means so much to have had everyone together in the gymnasium for those times. The staff and I hope you have a wonderful holiday season with all your loved ones and that your time with them is filled with love, laughter, and joy.

The new year will bring more field trips such as skating for students to enjoy. The basketball season will also begin with many practices soon after we are back from the break. We will see your lovely children back at our school on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023! January is an important time for teachers and their collection of assessments of student learning. Report cards will be submitted to me at the end of January and will be ready for delivery home via your child on February the 6th.

Until then, I wish you all good health and lots of rest! 😊

Your Proud Principal,  
Kirsten Farquhar (she/her)



### **Communicating Student Learning:**

A printed detailed report of your child's progress so far this year will be sent home with your child in a district envelope on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Please take time to read over your child's progress report and use the space provided on the envelope to write back to your child's teacher and sign the envelope indicating you have read the report.

### **Parking Safely:**

Although our No-Parking signs along Bank Rd are faded, we ask that all parents park along the Soldier Rd side of the school when picking up your child(ren). We have had a few reported close calls while parents are backing out. There is ample room for parking on Soldier Rd which is our designated pick up and drop off area. New "No Parking" signs have been ordered and should be in place sometime in the new year. We appreciate your attention to this matter.



### **Winter Weather:**

Winter is officially here, please send your students with adequate outerwear. Students are encouraged to be outside for recess and lunch. We will keep an eye on the temperature and adjust our outside time (come in early or have an inside day) if it gets too cold. -15 is our approx. threshold for adjusting outside times.

### **Food Drive Competition!**

We had a fantastic turn out of donations!

Congratulations to Mr. Kicia's class for earning a pizza lunch, they were able to bring in a total of 214 items!!

Most of all, a huge thank you to everyone who brought in a donation. This year more families than ever have been accessing the food bank and every donation counts. Amazing job Arthur Stevenson!

### **School Fees:**

This is a reminder to parents that school fees are now past due! Please contact the office or your classroom teacher if you require assistance with fees. The new Student and Family Affordability Fund is an awesome program to help with the rising costs of raising a family.

Please fill out the form (found [HERE](#)) and return to the office.

### **Lost & Found:**

This is a reminder to label your child's personal belongings so we can get them back to their rightful owners. The lost and found is still overflowing, please stop by and take a look!

### **P.A.C. – Parent Advisory Council:**

- The next P.A.C. meeting will be held on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the library. All parents are encouraged and welcome to come!

### **Cobra Clothing Orders:**

**COBRA CLOTHING IS AVAILABLE TO ORDER!!**

Clothing will be on sale until January 20, 2023. To order, visit the PAC hot lunch website at: <https://ases.parentcouncil.net/admin> and enter the **access code AEHL**. All orders must be placed online.

Alternative payment options are available by emailing PAC at [arthurstevenson.pac@gmail.com](mailto:arthurstevenson.pac@gmail.com)

**\*\*PAC is not responsible for any clothing that does not fit and clothing is not returnable or refundable.\*\***

### **Hot Lunch Orders:**

**\*\*If your student is away and you would like to pick-up their hot lunch, please email the PAC at [arthurstevenson.pac@gmail.com](mailto:arthurstevenson.pac@gmail.com) or you can call the school.\*\***

### **Upcoming Events / Dates:**

**Tues, Jan 3** – First Day Back to School!

**Fri, Feb 3** – Pro-D Day – School Closed

**Mon, Feb 20** – Family Day – School Closed