

# Sageville Elementary

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#### Calendar Of Events

#### **Tonight**

3:30-6:00 p.m. Cookie & Candle Pick up in the gym 6:00 Gr. 5 Orchestra Concert @ Washington Middle School

#### Friday, December 5

Scrip orders are due Holiday Dress Up or Winter sweater day! \$1 donation to assist a family in need for the holidays

10:15 Preschool HyVee trip 9:45 Late Start for Professional Learning

#### Tuesday, December 9

6:30 p.m. Grades 2 & 3 Winter Concert

#### Friday, December 12

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#### Friday's Professional Learning

Teachers will be working on the lowa Core Standards in the area of mathematics. We will look at where we introduce, review, master and assess standards. We'll look for impact of strengths and gaps.

### From the Desk of Miss Mac

Greetings Sageville families & friends,

Office 365 ProPlus will be available for download for students and staff from the main login screen of their district Office 365 account (login atmail.dbqschools.org with the credentials they use at school).

This offer does not go away today – the software download will be available at any time via your district Office 365 account.

We hope that this software will be a welcome addition the software you have on your home computer and mobile devices – saving you money while giving you access to the latest Office software from home or on the go for your children.

Preschooler Kiara is painting with celery. Preschoolers are learning about all of the food groups before their field trip to Hy-Vee tomorrow.

Tomorrow and next Friday, December 12th are the only dates left to order scrip before the holidays! Scrip makes a great gift to receive with lots of retailers available. If you haven't tried scrip yet, here's a perfect place to start. You'll like the results!

This is the second year that Sageville will be participating in the Lego League Event at Roosevelt Middle School this Saturday. Best wishes to coach, Staci Walsh; Mentors Jason Tilp & Jason Lahey and students Josh Erner, Sam Kaufmann, Dylan Smith, Tyler Freiburger, Clayton Dolter, Corban Coffman, Frankie Cretsinger, Jacob Wehrspann, Alden Smith and Cole Licht.



#### Reminder:

December 22 Is a snow make up date if needed. Who: Dubuque County Conservation Board

What: Winter Day Camp

Where: Swiss Valley Nature Center

When: Monday and Tuesday December 22nd and 23rd

2014 10 am to 12 pm

Children ages 7-12 are welcome to attend the Winter Day Camp. The camp will be held at Swiss Valley Nature Center. We will hike, bird watch, build snow forts, learn about native people, build bird feeders and enjoy upcycle crafts. The participants must pre-register by calling 563.556.6745. There will be hot chocolate, snowshoes, and other supplies provided; remember to dress for the weather, we will be going outside each day of the camp!



## Counselor Corner-Mrs. Kaiser

During the week of December 1st – 5th I have been in preschool thru second grade. This month we have been working on communication skills. In preschool and kindergarten, we read the book A Bad Case of Tattle Tongue and discussed the difference between tattling and reporting. In First grade we read the short story A Snail, Snake and Best Self. The students then were given several behaviors and they had to decide if it fit under snail, snake or a best self behavior. they also shared what their

best self looks like. In second grade, we also did the activity where they were given several behaviors and had to decide if it was a snail, snake or best self behavior. The students then got into small groups and discussed and shared what a student's best self would look like. Next week I will be in grades 3-5.

Don't forget: Friday 12/5 is wear your best or worst holiday outfit. Please donate a \$1.00 for a family in need around the holidays.

Tips for Parents: "Communication is the real work of leadership." - Nitin Nohria

## School policy on winter weather

If the temperature with wind chill is zero or below zero, we will be indoors. Many mornings we may be inside but if it warms up we will go outside for recess.

Students need snowpants and boots to go in the snow. Otherwise they will be on black-top only.

Please don't forget to pack the shoes!

4th grade scientists! They're studying rocks, soils and landforms

#### From the desk of Erin Valentine, Juvenile Court School Liaison

We hope your family had a good Thanksgiving break, and we're happy to see so many students back in school, ready to learn! As we enter the holiday season, we want to reinforce the importance of school attendance. Every year, absences spike in the weeks before and after winter break as families squeeze in a few more vacation days. It's time to break that cycle. This holiday season, the best gift you can give your child is a good education. And the best place to get that education is in school. We know that just a few missed days here and there, even if they're excused absences, can add up to too much lost learning time and put your child behind in school. This is as true in kindergarten as it is in high school. We also know that attendance is a habit that children should learn early on if they're going to succeed in school and eventually on the job. Our teachers will be teaching, and our students will be learning, right up until vacation starts. Give your children the gift of an education and the habit of good attendance! Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

