Dear Parents,

We have many staff changes occurring this month with new teachers in 1st, 2nd, and 5th grade. Please welcome Mrs. Amy Haskins at the 1st grade level replacing Mrs. Fluent; Mrs. Laurie Sewruk at the 2nd grade level replacing Miss Ertl; and Miss Ertl at the 5th grade level replacing Mr. Clancy. We are very excited to have them join our SRE team! We wish Mrs. Fluent the best of luck in her new position as a district instructional coach for ELA and good luck to Mr. Clancy in his retirement!

We are also currently in the process of interviewing and selecting two long term substitute teachers to cover the spring semester for Mrs. Krebs and Mr. Campagna, both of whom will be taking time off to be with their new babies. The district is also going to be reopening the search for a building principal to replace me when I retire in December. We will keep you informed once we have more information regarding the status of my position. Stay tuned!

Now that we are in the month of November, we will be seeing a change in the weather soon. I would like to remind everyone that we do take the students outside on a daily basis. With that in mind, please make sure that your child has a warm jacket, hat, and gloves. Once the snow arrives your child will need the addition of boots and snow pants. Please label your child's items with first and last names so that we can easily identify their clothing. I can't begin to tell you how many look-alike black snow pants we have in the building!! Also with the changing weather, please listen for school closings and delays on the local television and radio stations.

We have several days off this month that you will want to make sure you note on your calendars. There will be no school on Tuesday, November 6th due to a Superintendent Conference Day and again on Monday, November 12th in honor of Veteran’s day. School will also be closed from Wednesday, November 21st – 23rd for the Thanksgiving break.

During this month of November, I would like to take the time to pause and reflect on the many blessings I have in working with the teachers, parents and children in our SRE community. I would like to take this time to tell you, thank you for all that you do!

Respectfully,

Jeanne Brown
Principal
Counselor’s Corner
Submitted by Jessica Stever

New Student lunch groups have come to a close for the fall; we hope all of our new students feel at home here at Soule Road because we feel lucky to have them! We have now begun to meet with our Social Skills lunch groups where we work on building a variety of skills to help students feel confident when interacting with others in fun ways. Please let me know if you are interested in this group for your child and you have not seen a permission slip for them to participate.

In November we will be teaching students about gratitude with the Positivity Project. You may see some things come home from school that highlight this important character strength or your child might talk about what gratitude means. Please take this opportunity to have some conversations about the ways you as a family are grateful or find ways together to show gratitude to those who are important in your lives.

This is also the time of year when we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday and Student Council will once again be collecting canned goods for our food drive this month. We appreciate any contributions if you are able to donate and make sure everything is donated to local families who need a little extra help. This can be a great opportunity to talk with your child about helping others and involving them in the process makes the experience more real and impactful. One way you can do this is to help your child select something appropriate from the store or from your pantry. It’s wonderful to see a sense of pride on their faces when they bring their item to the barrel and know they’ve done something good for others.

Additionally, if your family could benefit from some extra support as the holiday season draws near please let me know because the SRE community is happy to provide whatever help we can. There are a variety of programs and resources that we can connect you with and we’re happy to support all families during this busy time of year when it’s easy to feel overwhelmed. Wishing you all a wonderful month of November, I am very grateful to work with you and your children year after year!

Our SRE Making Strides team raised $733! Thank you to everyone who volunteered and donated.
Dear Parents, Friends and Families,

This month, Sculpture Club has officially begun for students in Third and Fourth grade. Later this year, students in Fifth and Sixth grade will have a chance to join an after school Painting Club, which will offered in the Spring. In Art class, Sixth and Fifth graders are currently working on creating their own pop-culture portraits in an Andy Warhol style. Fourth graders are just finishing their Milhazes style paintings, where we have used color and shape abstractly, in order to represent our own culture. Students in Second and Third grade are currently learning about the elements of design and how they impact the Art we create. First grade students are finishing up their beautiful self-portraits, and Kindergarteners are exploring space through shape. It has been very busy in the Art room recently, with a lot of awesome work being created. As it comes home, please ask your students and friends what they made, and how they created it.

Artist of the Month: Andy Warhol

Recently, fifth and sixth grade students have been introduced to the works of Pop Artist Andy Warhol. Andy is know as a very controversial artist; meaning that there are people who believe what he creates is Art, and there are people who believe that what Andy creates is not Art. We have been investigating Warhol’s Campbell Soup prints, his pop-culture portraits, as well as his video of eating a hamburger. We have had some very interesting conversations in class, so please ask your student’s or friends whether or not they believe that Andy Warhol is an artist.

Music

Miss Kennedy

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grade Choruses! Mark your calendars for our concert on Tuesday, December 11th!

Our students in grades K-4 have been doing a fantastic job in music class this month learning how to play boomwhackers, xylophones and singing fun songs to go along with them!
Having a Ball

Coach Quartier

Congratulations to the Warrior of the Month award recipients for their outstanding performance in the month of September!

★ Kendall Bowers  
★ Kara Baroody  
★ Ethan Kovach  
★ Jacob Mannino  
★ Demetra Larca  
★ Neha Adusumili  
★ Jonah Keyes

Grades 4-6 did an excellent job running their fall mile last month! Grade 3 did the half mile for their first time. Awesome job by all! Students in grades 3-6 put their teamwork and communication to work during our project adventure activities and also have been working hard to improve their throwing/catching skills. Students in grades K-2 have been working on movement education activities and games. These students are working hard to practice body control and maintaining good personal space while in the general gym space. K-2 learned how to move in different speeds, pathways, directions  and at different levels! They have started working on hand eye coordination skills using different manipulatives. Be sure to ask your son/daughter to teach you a new balance pose or their favorite...spaghetti & meatballs (don’t forget the cheese)!

**PE needs your help!** I am looking for winter sled donations for upcoming winter activities. If you have any that your family has outgrown or would like to donate, please send them in with your child or feel free to drop them off at the front office. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity!
Library News
November 2018

Kay Budmen, SRE Librarian (Tuesday – Friday)
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What’s New?
Did you know that your 3rd - 6th grade student can check their Library account online? Here is how...
Visit
https://lcsdsrc.goalexandria.com/
Click on the Status button and have your student enter their username and password. You can renew a book online too!

Library learning
Students in all grades need to learn about digital safety. Younger students begin by talking about how to stay safe in school and then we move to staying safe online. Older students will explore the responsibilities of being safe when using social media and how to identify fake news when writing a persuasive essay or simply surfing while at home. Our students are digital natives and it is a brave new/old world out there. Exploring it and understanding how to stay safe is critical. Need more information? Visit https://www.commonsensemedia.org/

Photo of the month:

Reminders
Students borrow books each week in the Library. It is important that they remember which day (A,B,C,D) they come to the Library so they can participate in book exchange. I often hear “Mom forgot to put it in my backpack!” If you are reading your child’s library book, please remember to pack it on library day! ;)}
What to Know, From the PTO

A **HUGE** thank you to all the families that supported our fall book fair! We had an amazing turn out on family night and are so grateful for all of our community support.

We are still in search of a treasurer for the remainder of the school year. If you are interested please send an email to souleroadpt@gmail.com.

Too much candy this Halloween? Bring it into your teacher to send to our troops overseas. The Halloween Candy Buy Back program collects candy from schools and delivers it to soldiers who are serving our country and would love some care packages from home. A great opportunity for our students and school! Please have all donations to the classrooms by November 9th.

For those who signed up to help with an event this year - Thank you. The chairperson for the event will contact you a few weeks prior to the event. If anyone would still like to volunteer for an event, please send the PTO an email at souleroadpt@gmail.com. Please send your name, phone number and email address.

Some of our programs that the PTO sponsors, have either started, or will be starting soon.

******** **Here are some of the upcoming events for the month of October** ********

Continuing - Cherrydale Sale: The SRE PTO will be holding a big fundraiser that is new this year and our goal is to raise funds needed to support SRE programs and activities, such as, field trips, author visits, environmental education and classroom support. Please help us to make this important fundraiser a GREAT success. We cannot do it without your support.

October 26th - BINGO Night 7 pm: This is a free, fun, family event! Guest callers from among the 6th grade students and staff highlight this evening of fun. Plenty of prizes will be given out for the bingo winners and drawing will be held for candy prize bags for the kids. Costumes are allowed. A fun night for the entire family!

November 9th - PTO Family Fun Night 7pm: Stay tuned for an exciting event!

November 13th - PTO Meeting 6:30pm at SRE: Join your officers and other parents and teachers to discuss upcoming events. Bring new ideas to the table, we want to hear what you have to say!

November 13th - Burger King Night: Stop by Burger King on Route 31 and tell them you are an SRE family. They will donate a percentage of sales to the PTO.

Regards,

Your PTO Officers: Erica, Kate, Chris, Celena, Lorelle
PAC is a group of parent volunteers that each serve to represent their elementary school PTO as a member of the council of Programs in the Arts for Children in grades K-6 in the Liverpool Central School District.

PAC provides a full season of programming in various fields of the arts that is presented during the school day to all our elementary school students in grades K-6 district wide each year.

PAC raises the money to fund these programs for our students in large part by soliciting our elementary families in the district for an annual tax-deductible donation of $3.00 per year, per student and in small part by the proceeds from our annual fundraiser, Adventures in the Arts.

Please support PAC by placing your minimum donation of $3.00 per child in the attached envelope and have your child return it to his/her teacher by November 2nd if possible. Make all checks payable to your school’s PTO and include the words “PAC donation” on your check.

Thank you! PAC is really depending on your support again this year to be able to afford to continue to present a season of wonderful artistic experiences like these annually to your child throughout the school year.

Attached is our programming line-up for the 2018-19 school year.
PAC presents the following programs for 2018-19:

**Dashner's Magical Gift Ballet**
*Grade 2* • Colorful cast of characters, beautiful ballet and music, ample doses of humor and heart, and some high-flying holiday magic at the Civic Center.

**Symphoria**
*Grade 3* • An educational Halloween themed symphony concert at the Landmark Theatre.

**Everson Museum of Art**
*Grade 4* • Students participate in a guided tour of collections and exhibitions.

**Patrick Garner: History's Alive!**
*Grades 5 & 6* • Archimedes and the Power of Math: The greatest mathematician of the ancient world explains how his inventions held off the encroaching Roman Empire for three years.

**Merry-Go-Round Youth Theatre**
A touring company offering performances, workshops and study guides tailored to each grade level.

**Do You See What I See in the Sea? • Grade K**
An interactive adventure that goes below the surface to discover the importance of friendships.

**The Boy Who Cried Wolf • Grade 1**
A fun, engaging story about telling the truth.

**Aesop's Fables Onstage • Grade 2**
Nine famous fables brought to life using rap, rhyme and masks during an upbeat performance.

**The Fisherman and His Wife • Grade 2 Assembly • What do we want and what do we need? A fisherman and his wife learn what's most important when they encounter an enchanted flounder.**

**The Magic Paintbrush • Grade 3**
A Chinese folktale that teaches the importance of putting others' needs before your own.

**Careers in the Arts Workshops: 21st Century Skills in Action • Grade 3-5**
Fun interactive sessions engage students in exercises specifically designed to teach the 21st century skills and methods used by various artists in their respective crafts.

**The Keepers' Voice • Grade 4**
A show that highlights Haudenosaunee culture and the work of Matilda Gage, a local suffragist.

**Emilia and the Heart of the Amazon • Grade 5**
A play that demonstrates how all Earth's creatures and natural resources are connected.

**Echoes—A Creative Writing Competition • Grade 6**
A writing competition resulting in a script written entirely by students. Using the winning script, actors will add costumes, sets, props, mime, sound effects and music to create a 50 minute showcase.

**Adventures in the Arts**
A showcase of elementary art and music in the LCSD on Sunday, March 3, 1-4:30 pm at LHS.
*Please note: In the event of a snow day, the letter day missed is applied to the next day school is in session.