

## This month @ Indian Woods Elementary

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## For the month of **October, 2016**

Upcoming events at Indian Woods:

- **Oct. 4** – Picture Day
- **Oct. 5** – Count Day
- **Oct. 20** – Popcorn Thursday
- **Oct. 27** – Hungry Howies' Night
- \* **Oct. 31** – ½ Day

For the complete calendar:

<http://indianwoods.phasd.us/calendar>

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### PTA –

Thank you to PTA for all they do for our school! Since Open House they have provided a welcome back breakfast for staff, have had their first meeting with the initial budget reading, have begun collecting memberships, and have held their first Popcorn Thursday. Spirit Wear and Art to Remember are currently in progress. Click [here](#) for a link to the Spirit Wear order form. Art to Remember winter scenes are being created in Mrs. Love's class. Your order form with your child's artwork on it will arrive mid-October.

Please join us on the second Monday of the month. Meetings are at 6pm in the Media Center. Free childcare is provided. Second Cup meetings will be held the following morning at 8:35am for those who prefer to attend a daytime meeting.

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### Student Council –

Student Council began their year with a coin collection for Roof Sit. They raised \$399.96 to help other children. The winning class was Mrs. Sanchez with \$108.83. Students from that classroom took our pledge to the mall and were interviewed by Chuck Santoni of Radio First, 107.1.

Classroom representatives have been selected and are currently working on Custodian Appreciation Day and Michigan/Michigan State Day. They will begin planning for the Salvation Army Food Drive and Jump Rope for Hearts soon.

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### Blue Monday –

Indian Woods will be participating in anti-bullying awareness on Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> by wearing blue. Students will be encouraged to wear blue to show their support. Prize drawing will be held with students being nominated for acts of kindness as we also relaunch our Rachel's Challenge program.

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### Sunshine 2.0 –

Thank you to Mrs. Greene for organizing our Sunshine 2.0 assembly through Rochester Institute of Technology. This assembly was held on Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. It incorporated STEM activities, music, dance, deaf awareness, and had an underlying theme of anti-bullying. Students enjoyed the assembly and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders attended a follow-up workshop to learn more about how deafness affects music, dance, and poetry.



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### **Student of the Month –**

Congratulations to the following students who are being recognized for positive effort and citizenship: Madeline Coon, Tucker Corby, Alaina Haller, Amelia Haller, Jaden Jacobs, Hannah May, Alexis Simmons, Ashlyn Smith, Alejandro Schneider, Cameron Tesluck, Owen Troy, and Paige Voss.

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### **Picture Day –**

Fall Picture Day is Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.mylifetouch.com](http://www.mylifetouch.com) for more information and to order pictures online. Our school picture day ID is LM446064Y0. Go to [www.ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com) to order yearbooks. That ID code is 3702417.

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### **Count Day –**

This Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> is our official student count day. Classrooms that have 100% attendance that day will participate in a special activity. Being in school and on time daily develops a valuable life skill. Thank you to parents for helping your children learn good attendance habits!

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### **Halloween –**

Indian Woods will be holding our annual costume parade the morning of October 31<sup>st</sup>. This is a half-day of school and teachers will be having Halloween related activities and instruction that day. If you stay for the parade only, you do not have to sign in, just go directly to the gym or cafeteria. If you have signed up to help in a classroom, please stop in the office for a visitor's badge.

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### **Thank you!**

We appreciate your help with our drop off and pick up procedures! We have more buses this year and construction is complete on the back lot and playground; therefore, we are able to return the front loop to buses only. Cars are not able to drive by loading and unloading buses so this will actually make your drop off/pick-up more convenient.

Please remember to only use the back loop by the safety area if you are staying in your car. If cars move all the way to the end of the safety sidewalk we can load/unload seven cars at once. As always, please no parking in the middle of that lot so children are not walking between cars.

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### **Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) –**

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records including information found in the district directory.

Information in the directory includes:

- Name, address and phone number
- Dates of school attendance
- Other information such as honor roll, yearbook, etc.
- Date and place of birth
- School activities
- Program of study
- Honors and awards

The district must disclose such information upon appropriate request. However, parents can ask that directory information on their child younger than 18 be withheld from release. To do so, parents must send a letter to the principal asking that directory information not be given out.

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Mrs. Yanik's class all got an A on their first Math test! Great Job!

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