China Primary School

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March 9, 2021

Early Release for Teacher In-Service Tuesday, March 9
Students dismissed at 12:00 noon
Teacher In-Service Workshop - No School - Friday, March 19

Teacher Comp Day - No School - Friday, April 16
Spring Break - No School - April 19 - April 23

(See the Revised RSU 18 School Calendar for 2020-2021 here)

CPS Trimester 2 Parent/Teacher Conferences

Trimester 2 Parent / Teacher Conferences will take place ***virtually*** from Monday, March 15**,** through Friday, March 26. *Our common night for conferences is Thursday, March 18, from 3:00-7:00pm.* We are once again asking parents to scan the QR code here or visit our CPS Conferences website at https://sites.google.com/rsu18.org/cps-ptcs/home to sign up for a conference time. You may also contact your child's teacher by calling the school @ 445-1550 and leaving a message requesting a conference time. We are looking forward to seeing you at parent / teacher conferences.

Grade 2 News - World Wildlife Assembly

Our second graders have been studying all about endangered animals around our world. Students have researched, created awareness scripts, designed keynote informational presentations, made campaign posters to raise awareness, and led a virtual World Wildlife Assembly presenting six different endangered species. The school then voted to "adopt" the Vaquita Dolphin for the 2020-2021 school year! This week (Mar 8 - Mar 12) second graders are selling conservation bracelets and accepting cash donations in a fundraising effort - all funds raised will be donated to the World Wildlife Foundation. Second graders will be packaging the conservation bracelets and quarantining them. Bracelets will be delivered the week of March 15 - March 19. If you'd like to donate or purchase bracelets to support our second graders' project, ***an order form is attached - orders and money are due this Friday, March 12.*** We thank you for your support.

Congratulations to students and staff on the effort and hard work put in to complete this worldly service learning project!

Daily Health Screening Reminder

Parents are reminded to continue checking symptoms of your children before sending them to school each day. If anyone has travelled out of state, there is still a mandatory quarantine required or a negative COVID test before returning to school. If you have any questions, please contact Principal Darlene Pietz, School Nurse Amanda Saucier, or Superintendent Carl Gartley.

Please refer to the COVID-19 Pre-Screening Tool on page 3 of this newsletter.

PreKindergarten Registrations for Fall 2021

Pre-K application packets for the 2021-2022 school year are now available in our school office. Your child must be 4 years old by October 15, 2021, in order to participate. For more information or to request an application packet, please call our office at 445-1550. Completed application packets must be returned by April 16, 2021.

Kindergarten Registrations for Fall 2021

If your child will be 5 years old by October 15, 2021, we invite you to contact us about registering for the Kindergarten Class of 2021-2022. We are anxious to hear from you soon to help us plan ahead for next year. Please call our office at 445-1550 to get on our mailing list, and we'll send a Kindergarten Registration packet to you as soon as they become available in the spring. *Students living in China and currently attending our PreK program are already registered and do not need to re-register. We will contact you at a later date about bussing arrangements.* Please share this post with any other China families you know who may have a child turning 5 years old by October 15th.

RSU 18 District - Wide News

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Upcoming Events:

- ***Early Release for Teacher In-Service Tuesday, March 9 - 12:00 noon dismissal***
- Trimester 2 ends Friday, **March 12**. Parent/Teacher Conference window is **March 15 - March 26** with the Common Night scheduled for Thursday, **March 18 - *see our article above to sign up for a conference time with your child's teacher***
- ***Daylight Savings Time Begins - Set Clocks Ahead 1 Hour Sunday, March 14***
- Prevention Works Dental Clinic @ CPS, Wednesday, March 17
- School Board Meeting Wednesday, March 17, 7:00pm
- ***Teacher In-Service Workshop Friday, March 19 - NO SCHOOL***
- Maine Ag In The Classroom Week @ CPS, March 22 - March 26
- ***Teacher Comp Day Friday, April 16 - NO SCHOOL***
- ***Spring Break April 19 - April 23 - NO SCHOOL***

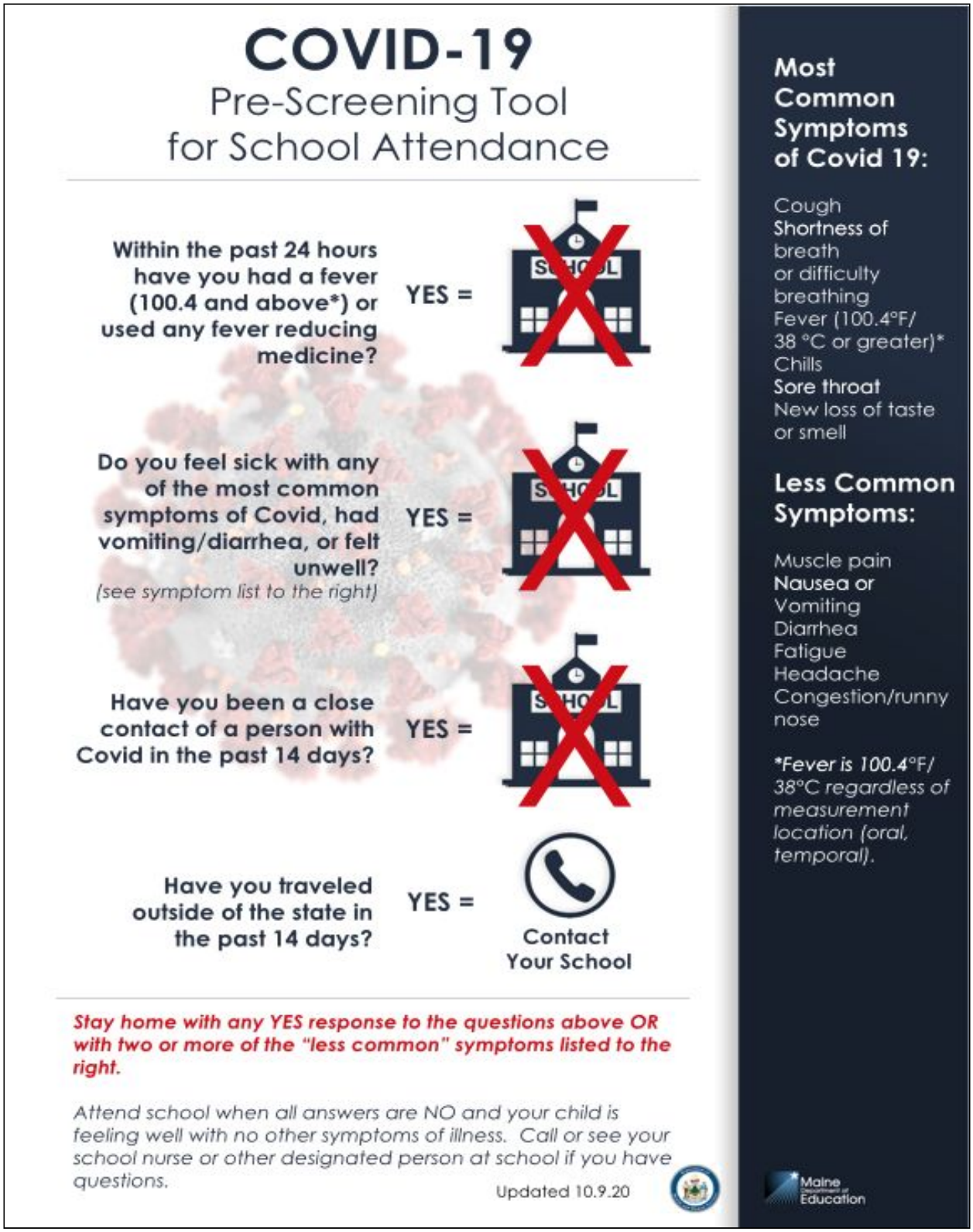
China PTO News

Want to join the PTO: We would love to have you! We meet on the first Thursday of every month at 6:00pm via Facebook Live. Email us at chinaschoolsPTO@gmail.com to get your name on our list.

Next Monthly PTO Meeting - Thursday, April 1, 6:00pm via Facebook Live

Mills Administration Updates COVID-19 School Health Advisory System - February 26, 2021

(Click on link here)



WORLD WILDLIFE Adoption

CPS Families,

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Student Name: _____

Money Enclosed: _____

# of Bracelets: _____

DUE DATE: Friday, 3/12

VIRTUAL SPRING TALENT SHOW 2021

Theme - Spring Time Fun!

Kindergarten through Fourth Grade students at China Primary School are invited to Share their talents with the school!

Videos, and the **names** of those participating, will be added to a **movie** that will be posted on **YouTube**!

What can students do?

Anything that they would like to share.....

Artwork, Sports, Animal training, Poetry that they wrote, Stories that they wrote, Sing a song, Dance, Outdoor activities, Etc.

Please email all video submissions by **Monday, May 3, 2021**

To.... **jbickford@rsu18.org**







