Welcome Back! The first two days of school ran very smoothly. It was great to see many familiar faces return to Ashley and welcome some new students and staff. We have also had some updates to the grounds including new fencing, removal of some vegetation and lines painted in the parking lot for parking as well as lines for a new bus turnaround. Please read the information about drop off/dismissal below for more information.

Ashley students and staff will be working with Playworks staff members this year to help refine our indoor and outdoor recess policies. Staff have already begun to learn some new activities to keep students active and occupied during recess.

Please be sure to check out this newsletter each month for upcoming events, dates and other important information. Don’t hesitate to call, email or send in a note with any questions or concerns. We look forward to seeing all of you at Open House on September 12th!

Important Dates

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OPEN HOUSE

At **Open House on September 12th from 5:30-7pm** you will have an opportunity to meet your child’s teacher and see the classroom. If you are interested in volunteering, including Field Trip chaperoning, please stop by the PATHS table and fill out CORI/DCF paperwork. Please note, if you need to share personal information about your child, please schedule a separate appointment. Open House is not a time for individual meetings with parents.

EXCITING NEWS! We have a new afterschool program for students in grades 3-5 beginning in October. There are 50 slots available. Watch for notices with additional information. There will also be a representative at a table in the front lobby during Open House who can answer any questions about the program.
A few reminders from the nurse:

1. If your child needs a medication in school, please contact the school nurse. There is paperwork that needs to be completed by a physician and parents. Students CANNOT bring medication to school. Parents need to come into the nurse’s office to sign in the medication.
2. In K, 1st, and 4th grades, up-to-date physicals need to be on file. Students needing an updated physical will receive a letter later this year requesting an updated physical form.
3. Flu information flyers have been sent home. Please review these flyers.
4. Remember EEE is still in our area. Even though the state has sprayed for mosquitoes, still take precautions to protect your family. These precautions are: avoid going outside from dusk till dawn, wear long sleeve and long pants, and apply your physician recommended bug repellant. Also remove any still water sources from your yards.

Please call the nurse with any medical questions or concerns at extension 40512.

Please note the following about arrival/dismissal at Ashley Elementary School:

1. It is important that students arrive on time each day. Tardiness disrupts learning. A student is late after 8:15am.
2. Ashley School will abide by a child’s normal dismissal unless notified in writing. This includes students who will not be taking their normal bus/van. Without a note, students will be put on that bus/van.
3. We do not take changes in dismissal over the telephone. Any parent who wishes to change their child’s dismissal from their normal routine must send a written note to the child’s teacher.
4. Anyone dismissing a child must report directly to main office with photo identification. Anyone picking up a child MUST be listed on the emergency form and must provide ID.
5. Students being dismissed will be called to the office once a parent/guardian has arrived.
6. Students will not be allowed to be dismissed after 2:00pm. Parents/guardians would need to wait until regular 2:30 dismissal.
7. Please limit dismissals as they are highly disruptive to learning.