



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

September 14, 2020

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!!!

The first day of school is upon us... Doors open for Cohort A on Tuesday September 15th and Cohort B Thursday September 17th.

We know it can be hard to keep up with the myriad of new information as we brace for a very different type of school year.

The Pine Hill CSA will do our best to keep you briefed on what you need to know (and do) each week. This is a big one... so, let's get started!



WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE HILL?



PINE HILL VIRTUAL 5K
September 14th-28th

The Virtual Pine Hill 5k starts today! The 5K is a fun and friendly community event that benefits the Pine Hill Elementary school's enrichment programs.

Sign up today and run, run as fast as you can... or jog...or walk. Just get out there and have fun. :)



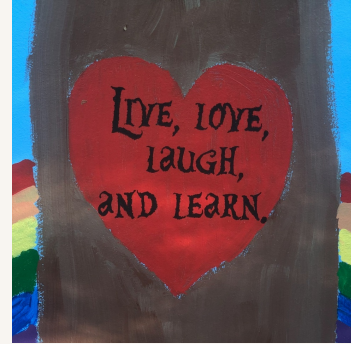
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!

You probably know this by now, but the first day of school is Tuesday, September 15th and Pine Hill school hours are 7:50am-2:15pm



REVIEW BUS ROUTE UPDATES

Check email from Patricia Schmitt to get your new 2020 bus routes, and details on new pick-up/drop-off times and new bus rules.



ALL SCHOOL MEETING

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Let's get the gang together - virtually, at least. The First All School Meeting will be this Wednesday at 1:30pm!! (Login details in this week's [Pine Hill Post](#))



AFTER THE BELL CLUB

After The Bell Club, "ABC", allows students in school that day to remain at school supervised from 2:15PM to 3:30PM for \$12/day. Check email from Kristen Diebus (on behalf of Lisa Sawin) for sign up details.



SCHOOL DISMISSAL

Update pickup instructions for [School Dismissal Manager](#) and be sure to mark REMOTE DAYS as a recurring instruction.

Also note the deadline for dismissal changes will be at 1:15pm daily this year and there are no early pickups between 1:45pm and 2:15pm



CHROME BOOKS

Every student is entitled to a Chrome Book for online learning. [Fill out this FORM](#) for each child of yours that needs one.



HEADPHONES

Don't forget to buy your kids headphones. Heck, might wanna buy some for yourself as well...



SPORTS START

Town sports and many other town activities also begin this week. Look for emails from coaches and organization leaders for

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Need more deets? Check out the Pine Hill Post for more information on many of these and what you need to know for this week. [Here's the link to it!](#)

Still got more questions? You are not alone... Fortunately, DS has created an website dedicated to details and updates on the town's online learning - [#WeareDS Online](#) is a good resource for lingering queries.

AND WHEN IN DOUBT... KEEP CALM AND EMBRACE THE W's!

Something's gotta give... and it will! BUT, if we can all do our part to keep our Pine Hill community healthy and safe by following these three W's:

- WASH YOUR HANDS
- WEAR YOUR MASK
- WATCH YOUR DISTANCE

Thank you Mr. Barry for the awesome poster for Pine Hill!



SIGN UP TO BE A ROOM PARENT

As with most things right now, classroom parent duties will look different to start the year (no volunteering in school, no centers, etc.), but it's still a great way to be involved with your child's life at school and to also help out! All of the work can be done remotely and info will be provided to help guide you.

Classroom Parent Responsibilities:

- Act as a liaison between the CSA and the parents in your classroom
- Collect donations for and organize teacher gifts
- Help coordinate donations and supplies for classroom
- Act as a resource for parents new to school (If you are a parent new to Pine Hill, this can still be you! Lots of info will be provided to you and it's a great way to get involved!)

If you are interested in becoming a Classroom Parent or for more information please email Katie Garvey at volunteer@pinehillschoolcsa.org. Please include your name, child's name, grade level, and teacher's name. Occasionally there are more volunteers than vacant slots. All assignments will be made on a first come, first served basis.

