



*From the Office of Mr. O'Connell*

# The Husky Herald

## Important Events:

October 2-Custodian  
Appreciation Day  
October 11-Boosterthon  
Fun Run  
October 31-Halloween  
Parties and Parade

## Staff October Birthdays

Mrs. Kim Smith  
(October 17)

Mrs. Sara Weber  
(October 19)

Ms. Luann Gerth  
(October 24)

Mrs. Becky Hebert  
(October 28)

Mrs. Valerie Sette  
(October 31)

Hello Homestead Elementary Families!

Once again, the Homestead Community ceases to amaze me. On Monday, September 9, McTeacher Night proved to be a success. With percent of sales and apple pie tips, we raised over \$700 for our school. It was great to see so many staff, students and families participate at McDonald's. On Tuesday, September 17, the Watch D.O.G.S. program kicked off the third year of bringing dads into Homestead Elementary. Over 200 dads and students attended the kick-off night and enjoyed pizza and a presentation by Mr. Perry and Mr. Famatid. Dads will officially start at Homestead on October 1. Thank you PTA for working with our staff and community in supporting both of these events!

Finally, last week we participated in our first ever Start With Hello Week. The students participated in many activities including "Hey" Day, You Matter Day and No One Eats Alone Day. Our students had the opportunity to welcome everyone, complete random acts of kindness and offer a simple hello to a friend or classmate. It was an AMAZING week!

## 6<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SD308 FOOD DRIVE

All SD308 schools will be participating in the sixth annual Food Drive supporting our families in the greater Oswegoland area. Monday, September 30 marked the kick-off to the drive with Wednesday, October 9 being the conclusion of the event.

## HALLOWEEN PARADE CHANGING THIS YEAR

This year, we will be starting a new tradition at Homestead! Instead of walking through the neighborhood, students will start the parade indoors at 2:20. At approximately 2:25-2:30, students will exit the front door (#2), take a left and walk down the sidewalk towards Hillsboro and then up the sidewalk parallel to the parent pick-up drive. Students will then walk around the back perimeter of the blacktop area, behind the new section of the school, then back to the front of the school where they will follow the sidewalk back to the front door (#2). We are asking parents to wait along the sidewalks or the back area of the playground. **If there is rain or inclement weather, there will be no parade.**

Mr. O'Connell, Principal

