

# SHARON HILL SCHOOL NEWS

## Monthly Character Trait: "GRATITUDE"

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information that may assist during your child's 2020-2021 academic journey.

### November Announcements

**Sharon Hill Home & School Association** is looking for parents, teachers, and community members who are willing to work together for our children to make a difference in their education, health, welfare and safety. It is a far larger job than any one of us could do alone and the reason why we need your support. We would like to build our Home and School Association (both officers or event volunteers) with parents who are willing to sacrifice a little time and effort for a wealth of rewards in the life of your child. Studies show that parental involvement in a child's education is one of the most important factors in raising student's self-esteem and academic achievement. Moreover, most experts agree that parental involvement should go beyond attendance at teacher conferences and open house events. **If you are interested, please contact the school at 610-522- 4355 x4530.** Become a member of Sharon Hill's Home & School today! Dues are only \$5.00 per family.

**Power School:** Gr. 3-8 parents, remember to log into Unified Classroom to check your child's academic progress frequently. Please contact the school's main office for PowerSchool assistance.

### Monthly School Board Meeting– November 19, 2020

Monthly Character Trait: "Gratitude"

#### SHS Owl's Salute

"We show OWL PRIDE because we choose to be



"Aim for success, not perfection. Never give up your right to be wrong, because then you will lose the ability to learn new things and move forward with your life. Remember that fear always lurks behind perfectionism."

– Dr. David M. Burns

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Encouraging, Engaging, and Empowering = Student and Staff Success

### November 2020 Dates to Remember

Professional Development (No School for students)	November 3
End of MP 1	November 13
MP 2 Begins	November 16
Thanksgiving Recess	Nov. 26 and Nov. 27

### Contact Information

Sharon Hill School  
701 Coates Street  
Sharon Hill, PA 19079  
(610) 522-4355  
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\*Principal: Charles Baxter (x4599)

\*Asst. Principal: Daniel Ruane (x4577)

\*Guidance Counselor: Jessica Thomas (x4534)

\*Secretary: Stefanie Thompson (x4530)

\*Attendance: Malika Oliver (x4532)

\*School Nurse: Rita Sawyer (x4540)

# Staying Safe

To provide convenience and safety for all, we ask families to review:

- Properly wearing a face covering in public settings.
- Practice Social Distancing.
- Stay home when you are sick except to get medical care.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. When not readily available, use hand sanitizer until you can wash them with soap and water.
- Clean and disinfect frequently high touch surfaces.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.

## Internet Safety

- **Personal Information.** Don't give out personal information without your parents' permission. This means you should not share your last name, home address, school name, or telephone number. Remember, just because someone asks for information about you does not mean you have to tell them anything about yourself!
- **Downloading.** Talk to your parents before you open an email attachment or download software. Attachments sometimes contain viruses. Never open an attachment from someone you don't know.
- **Bullying.** Don't send or respond to mean or insulting messages. Tell your parents if you receive one. If something happens online that makes you feel uncomfortable, talk to your parents or to a teacher at school..

## 5 Ways to Maximize Student Success

1. **Eat a healthy breakfast before school.**  
This wakes up the brain and prepares the child for academics.
2. **Come to school on time everyday!**  
This allows your child to advance academically minimizing/ closing the gap in their education.
3. **Provide a quiet, well-lit area for the students to complete homework.**  
This provides little to no distraction during their independent display of learning.
4. **Ask your child about what they learn in school a few times a week.** This shows that school is important to you and reinforces the skills your child learned in school.
5. **Check in periodically with your child's teacher to evaluate progress or regress in academics/behavior.**  
This allows your child to know that school a priority!

## Things to Remember:

Please read the Parent Virtual Handbook.

Please ensure that you have completed and returned all the parent questionnaire. **Update information, such as address, phone number, and email address as necessary with your child's teacher.**

**School Start Time:** 8:40 AM (Students may begin entering teacher virtual sessions at 8:40 AM and follow the prescribed daily schedule.

**Unified Classroom (PowerSchool)-** Parents (grades 3– 8) are encouraged to access their child's grades via the on-line Unified Classroom (PowerSchool) at least bi-weekly to monitor the progression/ regression of academics. Parents must sign up for a username and password through our central office to access the system.

**Home Access Center (HAC)-** Parents (grades 3– 8) are encouraged to access their child's grades via the on-line HAC System at least bi-weekly to monitor the progression/ regression of academics. Parents must sign up for a username and password through our central office to access the system.



## Facts About Reading Aloud

### Reading, Literacy, & Education Statistics

#### Education Statistic

- The average student learns about 3,000 words yearly in the early school years.

#### Literacy Statistic

- Over 50% of NASA employees are dyslexic. They are sought after because they have superb problem solving skills and excellent 3D and spatial awareness.

#### Reading Statistic

- Students who reported having all four types of reading material (books, magazines, newspapers, encyclopedias) in their home scored, on average, higher than those who reported having fewer reading material.

**Source:** The Literacy Company.

([http://www.readfaster.com/education\\_stats.asp](http://www.readfaster.com/education_stats.asp))