Good Evening Stokesdale Parents,  
  
This is Mrs. Bennett, Principal of Stokesdale Elementary . I hope all of you have had a great weekend and looking forward to the warm weather this week!  Our 1st K-2 Curriculum Night will be on October 6th from 5:30-7:00 pm.  We hope you will join us that night for teachers to share some great resources to use at home and what strategies they use in the classroom with your students.  The first session will be from 6:00-6:30 pm and the second session will be from 6:30-7:00 pm.  From 5:30-6:00 pm, food trucks will be available for you to get dinner, as well as community organizations will have tables set up in order to support Stokesdale families.  Curriculum night will take place in teachers classrooms.  Please remember all students should be picked up by 2:25 each day.   Please remember to post your car tag on the rearview car mirror when picking up your student each day.  Please remind your students to wear their One Cards everyday to school.    
  
The GCS Department of Exceptional Children supports your student’s academic success by promoting mass hearing screenings through the months of August and September. Grades to be included in the mass hearing screening program for the 2022-23 school year include: Kindergarten and Third Grade.  
  
The PTO is excited to announce the arrival of the Viking Vault fundraiser! This direct donation drive will allow our school to keep 100% of the donations to use towards the school year's major projects-like the new K-2 playground, special projects grants, additional classroom technology, teacher and student support, campus beautification and improvements, events, and more! We hope you will consider donating to the Viking Vault and sharing the fundraiser with your friends and family. Please see the flyer that went home last week for information about our goals and incentives, as well as new Sponsorship Levels. Visit give.mybooster.com/VIKINGVAULT to donate online today OR you can pay via cash or check (payable to "Stokesdale PTO").  
  
Parents, please don't forget PTO needs your help by donating healthy snacks and drinks for snack cart/Woot Woot Wagon by Tuesday.  We will run the snack cart on Wednesday morning for our amazing staff.   
  
Also, please don't forget to turn in your PTO membership forms. Family membership is $15 and we are looking for parents to help in various committees throughout the year.   
  
Here are the recent updated COVID-19 Protocols:  
•Individuals can return to school after 5 days from the first day of symptoms or the date he/she tested positive.  
•Upon return to school, the individual is to wear a mask for 5 days  
  
If an individual is exposed to COVID-19 and the   
•individual does not have symptoms, he/she does not need to quarantine.  
•Individual does NOT have to wear a mask.  
  
If your child test positive for COVID-19, please email Mrs. Bennett or call the school.  All positive cases are to be reported to the health department by the school.  
  
If you plan on picking up your student from school early, please call before 1:30 so we can have your student ready for dismissal.    Our lunch menu for this week is on the Stokesdale Elementary Facebook Page and will be on our school website.  We are looking forward to a great week here at Stokesdale where "Alone Vikings Can Achieve Success, Together Vikings Can Achieve Excellence".