During the last couple of months, I’ve been reading many professional books on interpersonal skills with children. A book that I highly suggest is entitled, The Kid’s Guide To Working Out Conflicts by Naomi Drew, M.A. The author explains the triggers of conflict and various strategies to help students manage stress and stay calm.

The last chapter discusses how students can build their self-esteem. I want to wish all of our families a healthy New Year.

~Mary Peterson
PAWS WEEK (Jan 22-26)

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MILE CLUB RULES
1. No Food/Drink at PE—Water ONLY
2. Athletic shoes must be worn on the track.
3. Students must travel to nurse/restroom with a class buddy, NOT a visitor.
4. Parents must supervise non-Plew students at ALL times.
5. Do not pick up students.
6. Strollers need to be pushed on the outside of the track.

~Coach Bristol

MEDIA CENTER

Students may access a wide variety of online books free at

http://abdodigital.com/

username: Plewpanther
password: panther10

~Shawna Crist, Keeper of the Books

SUPPORTING PLEW!

The Coca-Cola Give program is another way for you to raise money for our school. It's easy!! Just save your caps and carton codes from any Coca-Cola product (this also includes Dasani Water and Powerade) and send them to school with your child. Should you wish to donate directly, you can go to their website: us.coca-cola.com/give/ to enter your codes. Thank you for your participation! Go Panthers!

~Eileen Marello

Box Tops are an easy way to raise funds for Plew. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. Send them in with your student anytime!

We raised over $3,000.00 last year and the money goes to the PLA to purchase items for your students. Thank you!

~Peggy Barnes
Counselor’s Corner

Happy New Year! Let’s start the new year right by reviewing character traits at home. Ask your child at the dinner table: “How have you showed kindness today? Give me an example of someone that is trustworthy and explain why they are trustworthy. What does it mean to be respectful? How do you show respect at home, school, with friends?” YouTube has a wonderful list of short videos to help teach character traits!

Testing is just around the corner, We look forward to Showing What We Know at Plew Elementary! I have listed our schedule for your convenience to add to those NEW 2018 Calendars you have at home!

With statewide testing we have a great deal of information available to students and families at the FSA Portal (http://fsassessments.org/) under the Students & Families TAB on the left side.

Here is our Plew FSA testing schedule:

- **March 6 Writing Grades 4 & 5**
- **April 10 & 11 Reading ELA**
- **Session 1 and 2 Grade 3**
- **April 16-May 11 (4 days total for grades 4 & 5 and 2 days Grade 3)**
- **May 1 & 2—Grade 5 Science**

~Heather McClaren
School Counselor

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Food Pantry Donations Needed

**Please consider donating to Plew PLA the following items:**
- Pop-top cans of Soup, Tuna, or Chicken
- Fruit Cups
- Flavored Oatmeal
- Easy Mac-N-Cheese
- Peanut Butter (Jif-to-go)
- Go-GO Squeeze Apple Sauce or Yogurt
- Canned Vegetables
- Snacks

**Monetary Funds are also appreciated.**

**Make checks payable to Plew PLA and put “backpack program” on Memo line.**

*The backpack program sends over 20 bags of food to Plew families each Friday with extra food to help with weekend meals.*

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From the SLP

**From the SLP:**

Did you miss any of these great books? *The best language booster is reading to your child to increase vocabulary, then asking questions about the story to facilitate comprehension.*

https://growingbookbybook.com/101-books-read-kids-kindergarten/#_a5y_p=5828592

Anita DeVuyst, M.S., CCC/SLP

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Plew Gardens

Hello Plew Families! 🌿🌿🌿🌿🌿

Take a walk around the school and if you see a “Play in the Dirt, Adopt this Garden” sign located in a garden you and your family would be interested in caring for, please snap a photo with your phone of the garden and email to plewgar-dens@yahoo.com. We would also be happy to meet with you at the school, if you prefer.

~Melissa Rohde
PLA Beautification Chair, Plew Gardens

*“Plant Dreams, Pull Weeds & Grow A Happy Life!”*