

# Smethport Elem.

## March Newsletter

### Reminders

If you need another copy of the Student Handbook, let your child's teacher know or stop into the Office. Please remember that **transportation changes** can only be received in writing prior to 2:00 pm at the Office, **pick-ups** are scheduled for 3:05 by the high school gym exit, no supervision is available prior to 7:30 am, and the **doors are locked** until 7:30 am, throughout the day, and at 3:30 pm. Remember the updated **attendance policy** and information regarding **excuses** is also explained in the Handbook. **Early outs and tardies** without an appropriate excuse are also considered partial illegal absences, and are subject to student detention. Everyone at Smethport Elementary wants your child to receive the best possible education and to be successful each year!

### FYI

Recently, you may have heard of the Momo Challenge plaguing many internet-based devices. This challenge is a hoax, basically like a ghost story, meant to scare our young people. Our teachers are aware of the issue, and our counselor has spoken to classes regarding acceptable use of devices. Please be aware of what sites and apps your children are using on their devices. Open communication is essential for the safety of everyone! The City of Bradford Police Dept. posted a great article at <https://mckean.crimewatchpa.com/bradfordpd/68048/post/momo-challenge> Check it out.

### Art Show and STEM Showcase

We will be hosting an Elementary Art Show and incorporating a STEM Showcase at the end of the month. Please plan to attend so that our students can show-off their many talents! More information will be sent home later this month.



### March Info.

#### PSSA Information

PSSA's are right around the corner!

In grades 3-6, the ELA PSSA will be held April 15-17. The Math PSSA for the same grade levels will be held April 25-26. In grade 4, a science section will be held April 29-30.

Please make every effort to have your child in attendance and on time for those days.

### Thank You!

A great big shout out to the Smethport PTO for bringing the circus to town!! Everyone will have a fantastic time under the big top on **March 14**. From face painting to funny photos to amazing acrobatics and silly clowns, the show will be non-stop fun for children and adults. Thank you so much for making this great evening possible!!