## **Upcoming Dates**

12/11-12—PTA Sponsored Outdoor Holiday Shoppe

12/14—18—Remote Learning, schedule included in this newsletter

12/21—1/1 - NO SCHOOL—Holiday Recess

1/4—School resumes via Remote Learning

Per Dr. Shaner's Community Update of November 19, the decision has been made to continue serving our students in a remote learning environment through Friday, Jan. 15, 2021.



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#### Friends Helping Families



Thank you to all of our NH friends and families who donated gift cards to help our fellow NH families in need. We received almost \$3,000 in donations. The spirit of kindness and giving is so prevalent in our NH school community.



Our friends at Troy Family Practice on Square Lake Road dropped off a bundle of gift cards. They have supported our program for over 10 years. Thank you Troy Family Practice, you are amazing!







#### **TODAY & TOMORROW!!!**



Stay tuned for Pay It Forward Spirit Week next week!!

INTRODUCING
"STEAM TEAMS!"
A science YouTube Channel
produced by
RCS Students
Scroll down to the flyer
for more information!

NEXT PTA
MEETING
TUESDAY, JAN. 26
© 7PM VIA ZOOM

UPCOMING
MEETINGS:
Jan. 26th
March 9th
April 13th
May 11th

EMAILED AS IT
GETS CLOSER

Are you interested in being a part of the PTA Executive board? All positions are open!

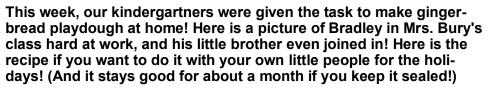
We'd be happy to talk to you if you have any questions about it! It's a one-year commitment and tons of fun!

Email <a href="mailto:nhillpta@gmail.com">nhillpta@gmail.com</a>
for more information!

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# **Our Amazing Owls**

## Let's Create Something!



GINGERBREAD PLAYDOUGH RECIPE



1/4 cup Salt

2 tsp Cream of Tartar

1 cup Water

1 1/2 or 2 TBSP Vegetable Oil ~ I love how soft it makes the dough feel.

1 – 2 tsp ground Cinnamon

1- 2 tsp ground Ginger

1 tsp ground Nutmeg

1 tsp ground Cloves



The second grade students in Mrs. Mattei's class have been challenged again by the kindness elves and have met the challenge! Way to go 2nd graders!



# Happy Birthday!



More December birthdays posted next week!

# Look WHOO is having a birthday!

11—Andreas M. 19—Joshua H.

11—Evelyn V. 22—Benjamin J.

12—Grace P. 24—June E.

13—Mallory I. 30— Samantha G.

16—Henry G. 30—Alice L.

17—Eian K. 31—Karson B.

18—Andrei B. 31—Mia C.

18—Nicholas J. 31—Aidan W.

#### North Hill Staff—Good News!



Our two student teachers are graduating and moving on! They will both graduate from Oakland University on December 19 with a degree in elementary education with an endorsement in Math. Ms. Peters student taught in our 2nd grade class with Mrs. Mattei and has accepted a long term sub position at Hugger. Ms. Wheeler taught in our 3rd grade class with Ms. Mack and is planning to substitute teach as well. Thank you ladies for your hard work and good luck to you both! We will miss you at North Hill!



#### STUDENT

Did your child accomplish something special outside of NH? We would love to recognize their accomplishments in our newsletter! Send a picture and a small blurb to Mr. Murphy and look for it in a future edition!



# **Elementary Remote Learning Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. Instructional block  30-minute break built in by teacher  30-minute special per class schedule	8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. Instructional block  30-minute break built in by teacher  30-minute special per class schedule	8:00 a.m 11:00 a.m. Instructional block o 30-minute break built in by teacher	8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. Instructional block  30-minute break built in by teacher  30-minute special per class schedule	8:00 a.m 12:00 p.m. Instructional block  30-minute break built in by teacher  30-minute special per class schedule
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2:30 p.m 3:00 p.m. Professional meetings/staff collaboration	2:30 p.m 3:00 p.m. Professional meetings/staff collaboration	12:10 p.m 3:00 p.m. Staff planning	2:30 p.m 3:00 p.m. Professional meetings/staff collaboration	2:30 p.m 3:00 p.m. Professional meetings/staff collaboration

Students

Staff

#### Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) News

Learning during the time of a pandemic has proven tricky for all, especially affecting our Special Education (SE) students. Parents have gained a higher level of understanding and appreciation for the process of educating our children, beyond what already existed amongst our children's teams, as we now are hands-on like never before. This unexpected mode of learning is 'new' to all - students, teachers, and parents alike! We encourage every parent struggling to support their children with IEPs or 504s to reach out to Michigan Alliance for Families, and look into the many free offerings of webinars in support of SE parents during this time. (michiganallianceforfamilies.org) As always, we also encourage you to stay in touch with the PAC for news! Find us on Facebook at: Rochester PAC.

Tech Support



https://www.rochester.k12.mi.us/pages/156551/remote-learning-rcs



\* HM: Honorable Mention



Rishith Cherukara

# CONGRATULATIONS!

Photography	Film Production	Music Composition
Division K-2	Division K-2	Division K-2
1st Place: Rishith Cherukara	1st Place: Evelyn Vavrick	1st Place: Adalena Trachsel
2nd Place: Kaia Lam	Division 3-5	2nd Place: Kaia Lam
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1st Place: Mariajose Morfin-M	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: Leigh Sapp	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place: Emma Garland
2nd Place: Alina Ju	HM: Nico Lam	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place: Sophia Xydas
3rd Place: Sophie Castellanos		HM: Delaney Trachsel
HM: Annie Castellanos		HM: Regina Gonzalez
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# **Matter** Because...

2020-2021













YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED

Reflections Prize Pick-up

Saturday, December 12 Date:

North Hill Elementary (Main door by the buses loop) Where:

Time: come anytime between 1:00 - 3:00 pm

> If you are not available let us know at: marumunozs@gmail.com

\*Please wear your facemask and practice social distancing



Parent virtue: Temperance. Strengths of temperance protect us from excess. Strengths comprised in this virtue are forgiveness, humility/modesty, prudence, and self-control.

#### WHAT DOES SELF-CONTROL MEAN?

You have the ability to control your emotions and behaviors. You think before you act.

Self-control is the act of managing behavior in a way that positively influences goal attainment and living up to standards. Possessing this strength protects people from destabilizing emotional extremes. Those with self-control are able to limit impulsive behavior. They have the ability to experience and navigated efficulty while remaining poised.

They understand that through discipline and restraint, there are greater, long-term goals that they can accomplish. Self-control is related to prudence, in that people with this strength are able to implement extended planning techniques in pursuit of difficult task completion. Self-control does not mean a lack of thoughts, feelings, or impulses; it just means you have command over them.

#### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

For individuals, self-control helps them delay the short-term gain in pursuit of a greater, long-term success. This strength is associated with having an "internal locus of control." of being in control of (and responsible for) your own personal choices — and the outcomes of those choices. It gives people the power to diet, study for an exam, or practice a musical instrument. Some psychologists have likened self-control to a muscle: it gets stronger the more it's used.

A group's ability to demonstrate self-control often appears in the form of "self-monitoring." This means that individuals demonstrate honesty with one another about successful group practices. When things are unsuccessful, group members have the ability to adjust roles in the interest of overall group success. It's a crucial strength in our modern society and its mentality of impulsivity and consumption.

#### Individuals with this strength might be described as:

- Disciplined
- Cool
- Poised
- Measured
- Composed
- Restrained

Individuals with this strength are likely to think, feel, or behave in the following ways:

- I can wait.
- If I do this now, I will benefit from it
- I'm going to do this, even though I would rather not.
- I can control my anger and emotions.
- I am disciplined.
- The more I practice self-control, the better I get at it.
- I have the ability to consider the situation before responding.
- I know that my actions now have an impact on my success later.

#### QUOTES ON SELF-

"Temperance is a disposition of the mind which binds the passions."

-THOMAS AQUINAS

"You have power over your mind – not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength." -MARCUS AURELIUS

"Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't."

JERRY RICE

"The first and best victory is to conquer self."
-PLATO

"The best fighter is never angry."
-LAO TZU



# A SCIENCE YOUTUBE CHANNEL PRODUCED BY RCS STUDENTS

To celebrate the launch of the channel the Rochester PTA Council is running a promotion.

1. Check out the YouTube Channel between December 5 -20 and follow along with the experiments.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCC5vY\_apS0N\_XnLZeDSWFXvQ

2. Vote for your favorite using this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/46u1rxfhVkHDcv6R8">https://forms.gle/46u1rxfhVkHDcv6R8</a>

This promotion is for kids PreK-5th grade. Each child who watches the videos and then fills out the form will be entered in a drawing to win an Amazon Gift Card. The drawing will be on December 22. You will receive notification via email if you have won.

For more information about the program check out the Rochester PTA Council STEAM Committee web

https://sites.google.com/view/rochestercommunity-pta-counci/home



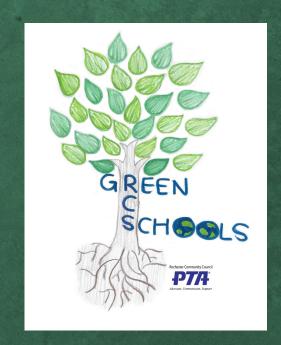
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Donate your Recyclebank points to our Recycle Bin Project!
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