

North Hill News

February 26, 2021

Upcoming Dates

Monday, March 1—Friday, March 5—Full Day In-Person , 8:55 a.m.
Arrival, 3:58 Dismissal

North Hill Family Book Club begins Monday—schedule in this newsletter.

Thursday, March 4—Picture Day for 2nd, 3rd & 4th Grades (K, 1 and 5
Picture Day is Monday, March 8)

Thursday, March 4 & Monday, March 8—Virtual Campus Pictures Will
be Taken between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. Come to the main entrance and
proceed to the Media Center. Picture order information is included in
this newsletter.



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Rochester Hills, MI 48307
248.726.4300

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Kindergarten Information

For Parents of Incoming Kindergarten Students—
School Year 2021-22

Graduating Class of 2034!

Please enjoy the following presentation introducing your child
and family to Kindergarten at Rochester Community Schools,
link below:

To view the video, go to: <https://vimeo.com/516464770>

Specific Kindergarten information from North Hill will
be available later in March, details will be shared when
available.



Our kindergarteners celebrated
100 days of school this week!



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PARENTS- please be sure to complete the daily health screener before your child enters the building each day. This is found on your ParentVue account.

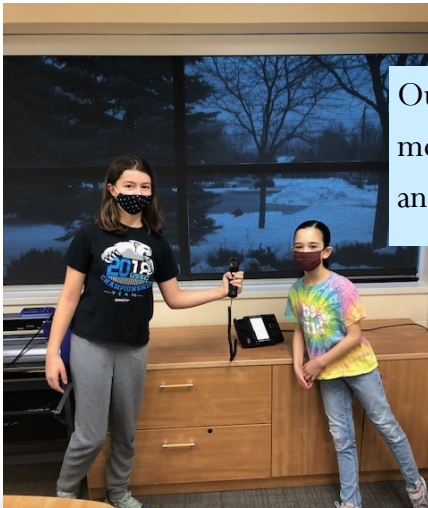
March 4—Grades 2, 3, 4, 4/5 split



March 8—Grades K, 1, 5

North Hill students will be photographed during the school day with their class. Grades 2, 3, 4 and 4/5 split on March 4 and Grades K, 1 and 5 on March 8. Our Virtual campus students are welcome to be photographed between 4:30 and 5:30 on either of these days. Enter at the main entrance and proceed to the Media Center. Picture packages can be pre-ordered now using the link below, code is 2020NHILL. A form is also included in this newsletter to use when sending cash or check.

<https://preorder.kaiserstudio.com>



Our 5th graders are broadcasting morning announcements each morning live from the Office. Here is Kristal and Maria.



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Happy Birthday !



- 2—Evelyn T.
- 8—Rohn M.
- 9—Kayla C.
- 9—Derek V.
- 10—Daniela G.
- 12—Garrett C.
- 13—Anna B.
- 14—Max K.
- 14—Luca Markert
- 17—Braxton L.

More March birthdays coming next week!



FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH IN THE CAFETERIA THROUGH JUNE, 2021

FREE MEALS! The USDA approved a waiver effective August 31, 2020, that provides breakfast and lunch meals, free of charge, for all children 18 years of age and younger, including ATPS students 26 years of age and younger. Meals, which meet guidelines from the USDA and Michigan Department of Education, will be distributed through the Rochester Community Schools food service program. There is no need to sign up, your child will let their teacher know which choice they would like. There are currently two choices available every day. The menu is available on the RCS website under "Food Service".

Attention 5th Grade Families:

Hart Counselors will present 6th grade scheduling information during a Zoom presentation to all North Hill 5th graders on Wednesday, March 3rd at 11:30am. Scheduling materials will be passed out for students to view during the presentation and will be brought home the same day.

Hart's Virtual 5th Grade Parent Orientation will be available to parents on March 3rd. Link will be shared via school messenger on March 3rd, and will be posted on Hart's Counseling Website for parents to view any time.

Information on 5th grade visits to Hart will be shared at a later date.

Lead with **HART**

Helpful

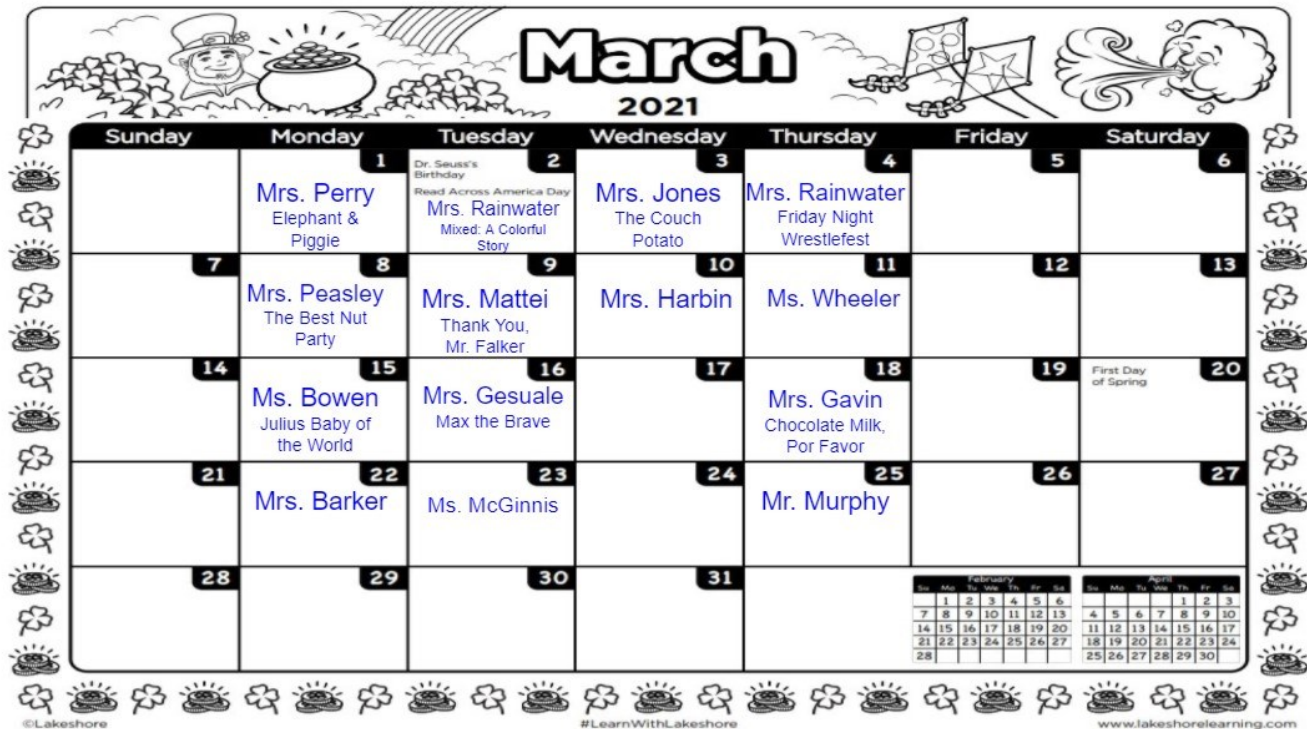
Accountable

Respectful

Thoughtful



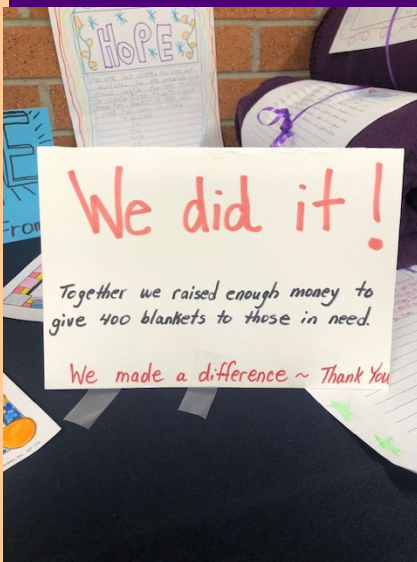
North Hill Family Book Club—Starting on Monday, watch your teachers on Facebook reading some of their favorite books! Check it out on the North Hill Elementary School Facebook Page.



Blankets of Hope

A few direct quotes from our students:

We are in this together
 You are not invisible
 Stay strong
 I believe in you
 Wishing you well and happy days ahead
 I think you are brave
 I am thinking of you
 You have inspired me to give love, joy, and happiness
 Even though I can't see you, you are loved
 Sending you hope
 You are beautiful in every way



North Hill Elementary School

Thursday, March 4 & Monday, March 8, 2021

ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

PREPAY ONLINE

Pay by credit card online at www.kaiserstudio.com using your School ID Code

School ID Code: **2020NHILL**

OR

ON PICTURE DAY
Return this order form to school with exact change or check made payable to: **Kaiser Studio**

School ID Codes will expire 3 days after Picture Day. Please contact customer service to order other schools.

North Hill Elementary School
Thursday, March 4 & Monday, March 8, 2021

Student Last Name	Grade
Student First Name	Teacher

PACKAGE A	PACKAGE B	PACKAGE C	PACKAGE D
\$44.00 2 - 8x10 4 - 5x7 4 - 3 1/2 x 5 10 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Digital Image 1 - Class Picture	\$37.00 2 - 8x10 3 - 5x7 2 - 3 1/2 x 5 10 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture	\$34.00 1 - 8x10 3 - 5x7 4 - 3 1/2 x 5 12 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture	\$30.00 1 - 8x10 2 - 5x7 2 - 3 1/2 x 5 12 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture
PACKAGE E	PACKAGE F	PACKAGE G	PACKAGE H
\$25.00 2 - 5x7 4 - 3 1/2 x 5 8 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture	\$20.00 1 - 5x7 2 - 3 1/2 x 5 8 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture	\$17.00 1 - 5 x 7 8 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 1 - Class Picture	\$14.00 1 - 3 1/2 x 5 2 - 2 1/2 x 3 1/2 8 - 1 3/4 x 2 1/2 1 - Class Picture
ITEM 1	ITEM 2	ITEM 3	ITEM 4
\$6.00 1 - Class Picture	\$12.00 8 - Wallets with school name & student name & year	\$12.00 4 - 3 1/2 x 5	\$12.00 2 - 5 x 7
ITEM 5	ITEM 6	ITEM 7	ITEM 8
\$12.00 1 - 8 x 10 with school name & student name & year	\$14.00 School Spirit 1 - 8 x 10 with school name & student name & year	\$13.00 Combo 1 - 5 x 7 4 - Wallets with student name	\$13.00 Keepsake 1 - 8 x 10 printed with border, student name & year
ITEM 9	ITEM 10	ITEM 11	ITEM 12
\$6.00 Photo Magnet 1 - 3 x 5 includes year & student name	\$12.00 Fun Pack 1 - Door Hanger 2 - Bookmarks 2 - 8 1/2 Tags 1 - Key Chain	\$25.00 Digital Image Download High-Resolution Copyright-free download without additional purchase Digital images cannot be personalized	\$15.00 Digital Image Add-On High-Resolution Copyright-free download with any additional purchase Digital images cannot be personalized

CHOOSE YOUR BACKGROUND

Select from 15 FREE background choices! If no selection is made, background #1 will be used.

1 Traditional	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	
10	11	12	13	14
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RETOUCHING - \$10.00

Digital retouching removes blemishes and other imperfections for a picture perfect portrait!

PERSONALIZATION - \$4.00

Personalize portraits by adding your student's first name and current school year to your prints.

QUESTIONS?

For answers to Frequently Asked Questions visit: www.kaiserstudio.com

Or contact Customer Service at: cs@kaiserstudio.com (248) 619-8019

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm

KAISER STUDIO
SCHOOL PORTRAITS & YEARBOOKS
1825 Birchwood Drive • Troy, Michigan 48063

Pkg	Bkd	Price	Qty	Subtotal
A		\$44.00		\$
B		\$37.00		\$
C		\$34.00		\$
D		\$30.00		\$
E		\$25.00		\$
F		\$20.00		\$
G		\$17.00		\$
H		\$14.00		\$
1		\$6.00		\$
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10		\$12.00		\$
11		\$25.00		\$
12		\$15.00		\$

Please insert checks and bills below the strip. Photos made glad strip and seal. Exact change only.

Retouching	\$10.00	\$
Personalization	\$4.00	\$
Optional Home Delivery \$6.00		
Total Order Amount		

Payment by check is your express authorization that it may be converted into a one-year American Express Traveler (AT) from your account, and all returned checks or EFTs may be re-presented discretely along with a separate EFT or demand draft for the maximum amount check for allowed by your tax. For inquiries, 980-6001214 or www.kaiserstudio.com



YEARBOOKS FOR SALE NOW!!

We are thrilled to be offering a yearbook for this MEMORABLE year! Thanks to some fabulous volunteers, the Yearbook Committee is now in full swing and will be working hard through the END of the school year to document AS MANY memories as possible! Your student(s) will love looking back at the beautiful, full-color pages featuring classmates, fun, and "Positivity in Action!"

To place your order, go to OwlLink on the Membership Toolkit App (free to download!) or www.northhillpta.membershiptoolkit.com

All North Hill students, in-person/remote/virtual, are welcome to order a yearbook.

*Please note, the yearbooks will be distributed during the summer so we can document as many memories as possible from now until the last day of school!

**STAY TUNED for instructions on how to submit photos you've taken throughout the year, as well as, our annual COVER CONTEST!



THANK YOU!!! North Hill Night at **CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL** was a great success! Chipotle is donating **\$273** back to our PTA--33% of the sales brought in by our supporters!

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!

We also have several committee openings for 2021-2022 as many volunteers are "graduating" this year!

Email nhillpta@gmail.com for more information!

Questions? Comments? Concerns?

Email the PTA at: nhillpta@gmail.com

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<https://www.facebook.com/NorthHillPTA/>

www.northhillspiritwear.com Open 24/7

NEXT PTA MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 9
@ 7PM VIA ZOOM

UPCOMING MEETINGS:
March 9th
April 13th
May 11th

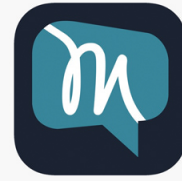
ZOOM INFO WILL BE EMAILED AS IT GETS CLOSER

You make the **YEAR**,
We make the **BOOK**

2020- 2021 North Hill Yearbook

“Positivity in Action”

On sale now through OwlLink
and the membership toolkit app



PRICE: \$20 each

Yearbooks will be distributed summer 2021 to include all the events through the end of the year!

HOW TO BUY:

Log into your OwlLink:

www.northhillpta.membershiptoolkit.com

Or through your membership toolkit app
click the blue button “ORDER THE YEARBOOK”
select quantity for each student and add to cart
click pay now, you will receive an email confirmation.

DEADLINE: 3/31/2021

Please order by this date, yearbooks will not be sold at the end of the year...ALL students will be included Remote, in-person and Virtual.

More info to come on how to send in your photos to include in our yearbook and our annual yearbook COVER CONTEST!

VIRTUAL

2021



Science Fair
wonder • engage • excite

The PTA is excited to announce the 2021 Virtual Science Fair!

- Student have the opportunity to submit a science project via Flipgrid

5th Grade - <https://flipgrid.com/2cf39a3c>

4th Grade - <https://flipgrid.com/3f8e05f3>

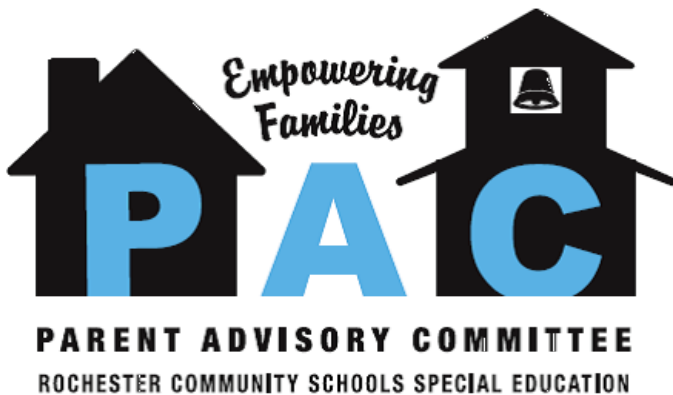
3rd Grade - <https://flipgrid.com/2d48f4f8>

2nd Grade - <https://flipgrid.com/39955a55>

1st Grade - <https://flipgrid.com/90628637>

Kindergarten - <https://flipgrid.com/de657ac8>

- Projects can be submitted from **February 1- March 7**
- Science Fair participation is **Mandatory for 5th grade** and highly encouraged for everyone else
- Students are encouraged to view and comment on their classmates work
- Categories of participation can be found in the Flipgrid link
- The Kindergarten-4th grade class with the highest % participation will win the traveling science trophy



PAC'S NEW WEBSITE

www.RCSPAC.com

- Create a PAC account for instant access to special announcements and updates on current PAC initiatives
- Discover resources on advocacy, local camps, driver's education, mental health, parent support, recreation, support for transitioning to adulthood, scholarships, book recommendations and more
- Easy access to Oakland Schools resources, information on the RCS path to resolution, and to guides on assistive devices and Special Education terminology
- Explore past and future programs with video recordings of recent PAC enrichments
- Stay informed of local, state, and federal policies by looking through the resources on our legislative page
- Get to know our executive board, our PAC representatives, and find out where reps are needed
- RSVP to upcoming events like our [IEP Training](#) and the [Sparkle Awards Special Education Appreciation ceremony](#)

SPARKLE AWARDS

- Join us to honor all of those who have supported Special Education this year at the Sparkle Awards Special Education Appreciation ceremony
- A Sparkle Award recognizes individuals and student groups whose support of RCS students with special needs is exemplary
- Sparkle Award nomination forms will be available in March
- Backup plan will be an online stream

Saturday, May 22, 4-6pm

Stoney Creek High School Stadium

IEP TRAINING

- An overview of how IEPs are written in our district led by Concetta A. Lewis, Ed. S. Executive Director of Special Education for RCS
- In this session we will discuss:
 - How to request an evaluation
 - The IEP process
 - The structure of Special Education staffing and chain of command
 - How to address issues and resolve conflicts
 - Recovery Services related to COVID closures
 - Open Q&A

Wednesday, April 7, 6-8pm on Zoom

It's been a school year like no other. Time to celebrate those who have championed our kids through it all!

2021 Special Education Appreciation Awards

Saturday, May 22 @ 4:00 pm

Stoney Creek High School Stadium

Now accepting Sparkle Award nominations until

March 26 at www.rcspac.com



ZEST/ENTHUSIASM

VIA Survey calls this strength Zest

Parent virtue: Courage. Strengths of courage involve applying will and fortitude in overcoming internal or external resistance to accomplish goals. Strengths comprised in this virtue are bravery, perseverance, integrity, and zest/enthusiasm.



WHAT DOES ZEST/ENTHUSIASM MEAN?

You approach life with excitement and energy. You energize people around you.

Zest/Enthusiasm is the ability to bring life and excitement to different situations. It often leads to a higher level of involvement and engagement both for individuals and for groups. Those who demonstrate zest and enthusiasm bring an energy and level of intensity to individual and group work. These people are often identified as early leaders and innovators as a result of their outward excitement about a task or project. Look for these people to recruit new group members and generate ideas.

People with enthusiasm and zest are happy, but this strength goes beyond happiness or pleasure. It is an activated positive energy, and associated with self-realization and autonomy. Zest is a strength that has strong connotations with both physical and mental vitality and well-being. It can be fortified through diet, exercise, mindset, and social connection.

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

For individuals, zest and enthusiasm are easily identifiable and highly desirable personality traits. We feel good when we are energized by an activity or opportunity – and we like to spend time with people who are excited about life. Those who demonstrate a high level of enthusiasm are more likely to complete tasks and exceed minimum requirements as a result of their passion.

For groups, enthusiasm and zest are can be directly tied to high levels of success, happiness, and achievement. Enthusiasm is contagious. One person’s enthusiasm can spark others to think, speak, and act with more energy and conviction. Groups that are enthusiastic about tasks are much more likely to spend longer periods of time in service to the group’s overall goals.

Individuals with this strength might be described as:

- Energetic
- Excited
- Spirited
- Animated
- Passionate
- Upbeat

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

- I’m really excited to get started.
- It’s vital to live with passion.
- A life without passion is boring.
- You must bring enthusiasm to everything that you do.
- I’m rarely tired – and when I am, I have ways to reenergize myself.
- Let’s keep going.
- I’m very interested in working on this.
- I am energized by this opportunity.
- I love life!

QUOTES ON ZEST

“If you have zest and enthusiasm, you attract zest and enthusiasm. Life does give back in kind.”
-NORMAN VINCENT PEALE

“Each one of us has a fire in our heart for something. It’s our goal in life to find it and keep it lit.”
-MARY LOU RETTON

“Passion is energy. Feel the power that comes from focusing on what excites you.”
-OPRAH WINFREY

“Success consists of going from failure to failure without the loss of enthusiasm.”
-WINSTON CHURCHILL

“You can’t start a fire without a spark.”
-BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN

“Wherever you go, go with all your heart.”
-CONFUCIOUS