

# WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6TH

DPS Principal Newsletter

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

### Kindergarten Center Rotations

On Halloween, the kindergarten students got the opportunity to rotate to each of the classrooms for a different Halloween activity (including bingo, finding sight words with flashlights, and learning about fall harvest).



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### Halloween Parade

We had a great Halloween Parade on Tuesday afternoon with our 3PK to 2nd graders! The students all looked amazing in their costumes! That morning the 3PK AM classes did a small parade for their families too!



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## Pumpkin Volcano in Mrs. Barber's 4PK Class



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## 👊 First Friday Fist Bumps

The High School Stats students and Mr. Moodie came over to greet DPS students for our 2nd First Friday Fist Bumps of the year!



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## Golden Spatula Winners

DRUM ROLL .... for this week's 1st and 2nd grade Golden Spatula winners. See below!

Congrats to Miss Waldon's class who had the most kindergarten tickets this week - 73 tickets!

## 1st Grade



**Nova Divens**



**Hudson Lindsley**



**Hadalee Tonkery**

## 2nd Grade



**Callie Barnhardt**



**Ellie Cochran**



**Liam Kring**

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## Primary Particulars

This includes information for next week, including activities, breakfast/lunch menu, upcoming events, and birthdays.

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 **Did You Know** 

# Special Area Teachers - October Highlights



## STEAM Lab Update

October 2023

**What we are learning**

Our little techies have been busy bees buzzing around and soaking up all the knowledge about computer parts. They even got to craft their own paper computer! Meanwhile, K-2nd graders are sharpening their online safety skills by logging into Chromebooks and zipping around Google Classroom, TypeTastic, and CodeSpark. Our youngest Einsteins in the Pre-K team are busy as bees too, learning new words and exploring computational thinking centers in the most fun way possible!

**Ask Your child...**

What are some ways they may stay safe and respectful while online or watching their favorite show?

**Helpful Site**

Common Sense Media  
([www.commonsense.org](http://www.commonsense.org))

**NOTES**





# Art Room Update

OCTOBER 2023



## WHAT HAVE WE BEEN WORKING ON?

**4PK:** Experimenting with fun textures - sticky glue, soft yarn, and bumpy leaves.

**K:** Discovering how the PRIMARY colors work together to make new colors.

**1:** Practicing with wet glue while adding texture to our projects.

**2:** Creating our artistic compositions by arranging our project pieces just like pieces of a puzzle.

*All grade levels have had the chance to try the new art room centers, including Etch-a-Sketch, Magnetic Drawing Boards, Boogie Boards and more!*



## ALWAYS REMEMBER:

*"The more we practice, the better we get!"*

*Encourage your child to experiment with art materials... not to make something that looks "perfect" but to learn and have fun with the process!*



## WITH YOUR CHILD:

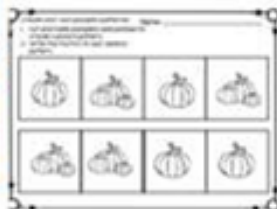
- ✓ **4PK:** Explore textures in and around your home - describe how different things FEEL.
- ✓ **K:** Try mixing different combinations of food coloring into shaving cream - see what new colors you can create!
- ✓ **1:** Try using wet glue to attach beads, buttons, or string to cardboard. Don't squeeze too hard or you will make glue puddles!
- ✓ **2:** Compare two pictures from books or magazines then talk about which you like more and why.

## Mrs. Bell's Music Makers spent the month of October singing, chanting, moving, composing, and creating..

Pre-K students used the chant to pretend they were pumpkins who turned into Jack-O-Lanterns with various



First Grade students used the rhyme to move to the macrobeat and microbeat and compose their own pumpkin or patch



We used the rhyme, *Pumpkin Patch*, to achieve different goals.

Pumpkin patch, Pumpkin patch,

I'm looking for a pumpkin in a pumpkin patch.

Here is one, nice and round,

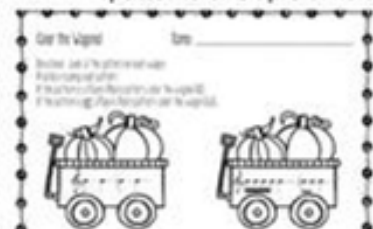
Turn into a jack-o-lantern.

Echo my sound!

Kindergarten students chanted various rhythm patterns using pictures of pumpkins and patches while pretending to be pumpkins that turned into Jack-O-Lanterns.



Second Grade, we bumped up the difficulty even more. Second graders decoded Duple Meter patterns and labeled them as either Duple Macrobeat/microbeat patterns or Duple division/





## Physical Education Update



Ask your child this...

1. where did we go on our parachute adventures?
2. what was your favorite parachute activity?
3. what was your favorite "Fall Festival" station?



Have your child show you how to toss and catch a stuffed animal



What we worked on this month...

1. Teamwork
2. Tossing and Catching
3. Bean Bag Sliding



What is coming up next...

1. Hand Dribbling
2. Throwing

Please let me know how your child did with these skills.

wampoled@dansvillecsd.org

October has been a busy month in the library! The Book Fair was a giant success! Many books were purchased. Nothing makes a librarian's heart happier than seeing books in the hands of children. More books will be purchased for the school with the proceeds. A big thanks to our retired teachers for coming in early and helping the students shop.

In class, we have been working on parts of a book. Ask your child if they can show you the front & back cover as well as the spine. We have also been practicing book care. Turning pages at the corners extends the life of a book tremendously.

Enrichment groups have been running for some students in Kindergarten, first and second grades. Currently these second graders are reading Amber Brown is Feeling Blue.

All 3 and 4 Prek students have library cards. These are kept in the back of the book in a pocket where you find their bookmark. The bookmark lets you know when your child will next have library class

If your child is missing a library book, please let me know so that we can come up with a plan of action. I don't want them forever searching and feeling unable to check out a new book. You can send me a note or drop me an email: [nielsenl@dansvillecsd.org](mailto:nielsenl@dansvillecsd.org)

Happy Reading! Miss Nielsen



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## Picture Make-Up Day on Tuesday, November 7th

### WANT YOUR CHILD'S PICTURE RETAKEN?

#### FOLLOW THESE IMPORTANT STEPS

1- ON MAKE UP DAY send your child to school with the original package and all prints if just a digital download, please send a copy of the invoice

2-Write on the outside what you don't like about the photographs.

3- If you would like the background changed, please include \$15.00, background color and your package will be replaced with the new background.

YOUR CHILD WILL BE REPHOTOGRAPHED AND YOUR PACKAGE WILL BE REPLACED AT NO COST AND DELIVERED

**NOTE: YOU MUST RETURN THE PACKAGE ON MAKEUP PICTURE DAY OR ADDITIONAL FEES WILL APPLY TO REPLACE THE REPLACEMENT PICTURES.**

IF JUST A DIGITAL DOWNLOAD PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF THE INVOICE

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**CLIX**  
PORTRAITS

Questions? Call: 585-338-2521

[clixrochester.customerservice@gmail.com](mailto:clixrochester.customerservice@gmail.com)

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### Parent Workshop

Please see flyer below for Parent Workshop "Positive Solutions for Families" which will begin November 14th 5:30pm to 7pm at the Primary School Cafeteria. This is a six session program to promote children's social & emotional skills, and using positive approaches to help reduce children's problematic behavior. You don't have to come to all the sessions.

We will provide limited, free childcare with registration and if transportation is a barrier we can help to provide \$10 gas cards.

All services are free and open to everyone!

Please reach out with any questions.

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 **Positive Solutions for Families**

Starting Tuesday, November 14th  
Six Workshop Series:  
Attend a few or Attend them all  
**5:30pm to 7:00pm**  
Dansville Primary School Cafeteria  
284 Main St, Dansville, NY 14437

Throughout this 6-session program you will learn how to promote your children's social and emotional skills, understand their problem behavior, and use positive approaches to help children learn appropriate behavior. These sessions will give parents general information on key strategies that may be used with all children. This is for all caregivers, family members, child care providers, and anyone interested in learning.



**WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:**

Sessions are every other Tuesday Evening

**November 14:** Making Positive Connections

**November 28:** Behavior has Meaning

**December 5th:** The Power of Routines

**December 19th:** Teach Children What To Do

**January 2nd:** Responding with a Purpose & a Plan

**January 16th:** Celebrating Strengths

With trained Facilitator Tawyna Hughes

To Register :

<https://tinyurl.com/mr56d8nk>

For Questions contact Tawyna 607-684-3923/  
hughest@proactioninc.org



Limited, Free Child Care and Supports available with Registration.  
All services are free and open to everyone.



# DPS STEAM Lab

## Family Popsicle Stick Bridge Challenge

Hey there Families!

The DPS STEAM Lab is calling all creative minds to the ultimate popsicle stick bridge challenge! Brace yourselves for an epic showdown of engineering excellence! Last year was a blast with some mind-blowing designs, and we can't wait to see what you and your family will bring to the table this year. If you're ready to put your brainstorming caps on, please make sure to send in the slip below by November 8th. Look out for more details and bring on the fun!

For questions please email [petrilloj@dansvillecsd.org](mailto:petrilloj@dansvillecsd.org)



**Our family would like to participate in the DPS STEAM Lab Popsicle Stick Bridge Challenge!**

Get Ready for a Popsicle Stick Challenge!

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Bring on the popsicle sticks and glue!

Would your family like a bag of supplies to tackle this challenge?

Yes or No (Please circle one)

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## When to Keep Your Child Home From School

What to Do When Your Child is Sick

## COVID-19 Guidelines

Regulations for Students, Staff, & Parents

## 📖 Parent/Student Handbook

Below is a link to the 2023-2024 DPS Parent/Student Handbook. This will serve as an excellent resource to you throughout the school year.

## DPS Parent/Student Handbook

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## Arrival and Dismissal

### Arrival

All **4PK-2nd grade students** will enter at the main entrance of school and must be to school by 8:00.

- Students can be dropped off as early as 7:15.
- Breakfast will be served from 7:30-8:10.
- Buses unload students at 7:40.

All 3PK students will enter at the side door at 9:00 for the AM program or 12:30 for the PM program.

### Dismissal

Dismissal changes must be made **before 1:00pm**. Parent pick-up will begin at 2:15pm each day at the following doors based on last name. Please make sure we have the name of the person picking up and that person has a **driver's license for identification**.

- A-C at the ELC doorway on the parking lot side
- D-H at the back playground door
- I-Q at the first door on the left in the driveway between the HS & PS
- R-Z at the second door on the left in the driveway between the HS & PS

All 3PK AM and PM students will exit at the side door at 11:30 for the AM program and 3:00 for the PM program. Our 3PK students are dropped off and picked up in the small Primary Bus Loop during the following times: 8:45-9:00, 11:20-11:35, 12:20-12:30, and 2:50-3:05. Please consider parking in a different location so that you aren't trapped in the loop.

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## Cafeteria

Below are the breakfast and lunch menus -

[November Breakfast Menu](#)

[November Lunch Menu](#)



# Family Literacy

Literacy Empowers Families



Make & Take Mondays, Tall Tale Tuesdays, & Sing Along Thursdays— Oh yeah, we are singing!

**Dansville**

Family Resource Center

November 2023					
Mon	Tue	Wed <small>Cohocton School</small>	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4
6 Make & Take Hungry Caterpillar	7 Dolly Parton's I am a rainbow	8	9 Sing Along & Paint Center Closes at 11am	10	11
13 Make & Take Counting 1,2,3	14 PSF Workshop 51: Making The Connection 6pm- 7:30pm	15	16 Sing Along & Count	17	18
20 Make & Take Portable Garden	21 Dolly Parton's Hair Love	22	23 CLOSED	24	25
27 Make & Take Butterfly Board	28 PSF Workshop 52: Keeping It Positive 6pm- 7:30pm	29	30 Sing Along Favorites		

**LOCATION, OPEN DAYS & HOURS**

**Dansville Elementary School**  
280 Main Street  
Dansville, NY 14437  
Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays  
9:00a.m.-1:30p.m.

**Cohocton School**  
30 Park Ave Cohocton, NY  
Wednesdays:  
9:30a.m.-2:30p.m.

**Fridays are Closed**

**Coordinator:**  
Tawyna Hughes  
**Center Assistant:**  
Brandy Goodwin

**Phone:**  
607-684-3923  
**Email:**  
hughes@proactioninc.org  
**Website:**  
www.proactioninc.org/events  
**Facebook:**  
Dansville Family Resource Center

**Positive Solutions for Families**  
Dansville Primary School  
Nov. 14th & 28th 6pm-7:30pm



Starting in November the Dansville Primary School is hosting Positive Solutions for Families! A series of workshops that promote six positive and effective strategies to build children's social, emotional development and address the challenging behavior of children. Free & Open to Everyone!



# DANSVILLE ROTARY CLUB'S THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thursday, November 23rd



Continuing an annual event, The Dansville Rotary Club is offering a **FREE Thanksgiving Dinner** of fresh turkey, potatoes, dressing, vegetable and pie for anyone in the Dansville area.

**ALL MEALS WILL BE DELIVERED!**

All deliveries will be restricted to a 10 mile radius of Dansville. **All meals delivered between 11:30am and 1pm. Make sure you are home. Meals will be left on the 1st and only delivery attempt.**

Please fill out the attached application and return by Nov. 20th to  
Dansville Rotary Club, 9384 Main St., Dansville, NY 14437

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Dinners \_\_\_\_\_

Special Instructions \_\_\_\_\_



## *Dansville Project Christmas*

Sign up for 2023 Project Christmas will be  
**Saturday, November 4, 10AM-Noon**  
at the American Legion, 34 Elizabeth Street  
(upstairs).

**This is the only registration date.**

*Eligibility:*

- 1) Must be a resident of the Dansville School District
- 2) Have children ages 14 and under in household  
(bring clothing/shoe sizes)
- 3) Eligibility based on household

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**For Families with Children Ages Birth - 5**

# Family And Community Engagement (FACE) Centers

## EARLY CHILDHOOD FAMILY LEARNING SESSIONS

NOVEMBER 2023

How to Support Your Child's Vocabulary  
November 16, 2023 on Zoom  
12:00-1:30 PM [Click to register](#)



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FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

# TIME FOR YOU!

DANSVILLE YMCA

## KIDS NIGHT OUT!

Come join us for a night of fun that includes open swim, bounce house, groups games, crafts, and more! A concession stand will be available with snacks for purchase. Bring your swimsuit, a towel, and sneakers for the gym.

**AGES:**

5 - 12 years

**TIME:**

6:00 - 9:00pm

**DATES:**

September 29

October 27

November 17

December 15

**COST:**

\$5 - Y Members

\$10 - Community



Dansville High School  
282 Main Street  
Dansville, NY 14437

REGISTER ONLINE AT  
[WWW.HORNELLYMCA.COM](http://WWW.HORNELLYMCA.COM)



**Melissa Goho**

[gohom@dansvillecsd.org](mailto:gohom@dansvillecsd.org)



Principal

Dansville Primary School

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