# Week of April 24th

Dansville Primary School

# **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK**

# **MAKE KINDNESS A HABIT**

This past week at DPS we remembered to "Keep Kindness Going" all week long!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chains of Kindness	The Domino Effect	What Can You Do Today?	How Kindness Feels	At Home and In the Community
We paid compliments to our peers all day long and created our very own chain of kindness!	When we say kind words to someone, it's like bumping a domino. Let's say kind words to friends and build our very own domino chain!	How can we keep kindness going through our school? We brainstorm acts of kindness throughout our school community.	Being kind to others helps EVERYONE to feel good! When we feel good inside, we make more kindness for ALL!	Stop and think about how to create kind experiences for others at home and in your neighborhood! We can be kind ANYWHERE!
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April is Prevent Child Abuse Month, the <u>Pinwheel</u> is a national symbol to raise awareness about the prevalence and preventability of child abuse. . Lets spread the message that we can all make a <u>Promise</u> to do something to build better childhoods.

Students and Staff will be coming together with the Dansville Family Resource Center to plant our very own pinwheel garden of hope.

Pinwheels represent our promise to make a choice each day to encourage a child and provide hope for the future of our community. Your child and the school facility will be coming together to plant our own pinwheel garden



Find out more: www.proactioninc.org www.preventchildabuseny.org www.enoughabuse.org





#### **3PK Family Fun Day**

3PK's Family Fun Day was focused on earth day! The families and students were huge helpers in tidying up our courtyard area by doing some weeding and mulching! They also added a new sensory play area! We will be adding some flowers out there in the next few weeks too! They also had a chance to paint some rocks for their own gardens at home. THANK YOU to Mrs. Sick and Mrs. Blodgett for brainstorming this idea!





## HABIT 5: Seek First to Understand, Then Be Understood

#### Dear Families

Habit 5 of the 7 Healthy Habits for Effective Kids is seek first to understand, then be understood. When we say "habit 5" at school, it prompts our students to remember:

### Listen before you talk!

We all see the world differently. The problem is, we think we see things the same way others do. Communication is important to achieve understanding because no two people see, think, or experience the world the same way. Therefor, there is a great need, especially in families, to seek first to understand and talk second so we understand one another's point of view.

#### Steps for Listening Before You Talk:

- 1 I listen to others without interrupting.
- I listen to other people's ideas and feelings.
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- I look other people in the eye when listening and talking
- 4. I try to see things from other people's viewpoints.

Family Activity: When someone is speaking, the listener can use reflective listening to let the speaker know they are really listening to what is being said. Here is a simple examples of reflective listening.

- Speaker: "I love you"
- Listener: "You seem to feel love about me."

Yes, that is a very simplified example, however, reflective listening can be that easy! Need some simple phrases and questions to keep the door open for understanding? Try these ones

- Tell me more about that
- Can you give me an example
- You're saying...
- I am hearing that ... is that what you are telling me?
- How does that make you feel?

## HABIT 6: Synergize

Dear Families,

Habit 6 of the 7 Healthy Habits for Effective Kids is synergize. When we say "synergize" at school, students remember:

## Together is BETTER!

What is Synergy?								
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1.	Celebrating differences	1.	Being intolerant Working	1. Creative cooperation				
2.	Working together	125	independently	2. Creative ND				
3.	Being open- minded	3.	Thinking you are always right	teamwork 3. Synergize				
4.	Finding new and better ways	4.	Being selfish	- Marian P				

At school, synergy sounds like:

- I value other people's strengths and learn from them
- I get along well with others, even people who are different than me.
- I seek out other people's ideas to solve problems because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than any of us can alone.

At home, consider creating a Family Synergy Action Plan by following these steps:

- 1. Define: Clarify the problem or issue
- 2. Their way: Seek to understand the other person's needs
- 3. My way: Seek to be understood by sharing your needs and ideas
- 4. Brainstorm: create new options and ideas together
- 5. Synergize: find the best solution the 3<sup>rd</sup> alternative.

Synergy – creative family teamwork – occurs when you follow two simple rules: Value one another, and recognize strengths! Consider starting a kindness chain at home to let others know how much you value them!



#### Oh the Places You'll Go!

This year at DPS, we have talked A LOT about how being a great leader can help us achieve great things and take us great places. Where exactly could we go? ANYWHERE! To show our DPS leaders that the possibilities are endless, we are asking for help from our school community. Please ask any friends or relatives to send postcards to our school. We will welcome postcards from any country, state, town, or just from Dansville. Have them create a story that they have seen a mini-mustang being a leader!

What does a great leader look like? Being a leader at DPS means doing the right thing, even when no one is watching, and working to make our community a better place! See trash? Pick it up! Does your family need help at home? Pull up a chair and help wash the dishes! Be proactive, think win-win, share with siblings, the options are endless!

Does email work better than a physical postcard? No problem! We can print it and hang it up. We will display all of the postcards in our school along with a QR code, so that students can learn a little bit more about the locations that the postcards come from.

Additionally, you will find your own "mini-mustang" below. Our school has two vacations between now and the end of the year – take them with you to snap a picture of a mini-mustang in a cool place. Whether it be the trampoline park, Disney World, or Babcock

Park, we can be leaders anywhere! Bring it back to school and we will showcase it alongside our postcard collection.

If you have any questions or an email submission please send it to Brittney Spoor (spoorb@dansvillecsd.org).

Mail can be sent to: Janelle Rinker % Dansville Primary School 284 Main Street Dansville, New York 14437



#### **Primary Particulars**

Activities, Breakfast & Lunch Menu, Birthdays, and Upcoming Events

### **DPS Bus Procedures**

How to Change Your Child's Bus

## When to Keep Your Child Home from School

What to Do When Your Child is Sick

## **COVID-19 Guidelines**

Regulations for Students, Staff, & Parents

## 2022-2023 Parent/Student Handbook

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#### 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 2:20pm 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**.

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

#### **Primary Bus Loop**

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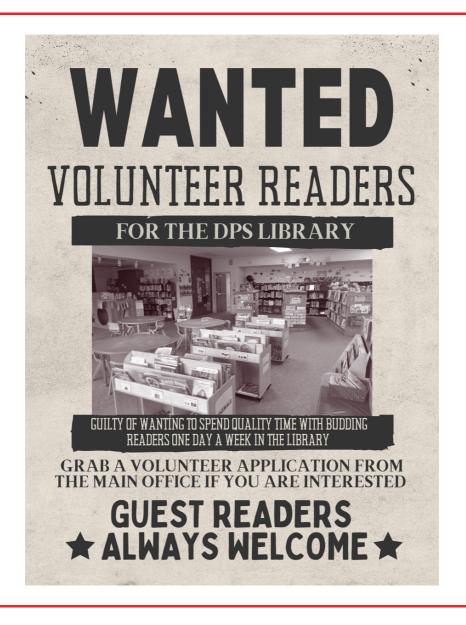
#### Come Visit Your Child for Lunch!

If you're interested in coming to have lunch with your child, here are a few reminders -

• Sign in at the main office - you must present a driver's license to be scanned in our Raptor safety system

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- Please keep your cell phone away (no talking, texting, taking pictures)
- Model appropriate language and behavior choices (such as Level 2 inside voice)
- The cafeteria needs to be a safe eating space for all (such as no sharing food with others and some parts of tables may be restricted from tree nuts/peanuts)





#### 1/4 Mile Kids Run Returns!

Dansville 1/4 Mile Kids Run, sponsored by the Dansville Teacher's Association and Noyes Health Auxiliary, will be held on Saturday, June 10th, at 10:00am on the new track behind the High School. Please see the flyer below for more details. Registration forms will be coming home in your child's backpack this week and need to be returned by Friday, May 19th.

#### DANSVILLE 1/4 MILE KIDS RUN

sponsored by Dansville Teachers Association Noyes Health Auxiliary

Saturday, June 10, 2023 10:00 am Dansville School Track behind Dansville High School

Age Groups: 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10 and 11 years old

#### Guidelines:

- 3 year olds will run 100m
- 4 year olds will run 1/8 mile
- · All others will run 1/4 mile
- Medals will be awarded to the first, second, and third place boy and girl finishers in each age group
- Every participant will receive a ribbon
- All runners will receive a ¼ Mile Kids Run t-shirt compliments of the race sponsors
- Entry fee \$5.00

#### THERE WILL BE NO REGISTRATIONS ON RACE DAY!!

- Pre-registration for the Kids Run is the only way a child may compete in the race. There will be no day of race registrations.
- Consent and release must be signed by parent/guardian.
- Your entry packet (including tshirt and race number) will be available after 9:15am the morning of the race.
- · A first-aid station will be provided.
- Registration forms will be accepted until May 19, 2023.
- Complete a separate entry form for each child. (The entry form may be copied).
- Please make checks payable to Noyes Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.
- Return the completed entry form(s) with payment by mail to : Noyes Health
  - Attn: Auxiliary ¼ Mile Kids Run 111 Clara Barton St. Dansville, NY 14437
- Or drop off at offices of:

Dansville Primary School Dansville Elementary School

#### REMEMBER TO FILL OUT THE CONSENT FORM ON THE BACK OF THIS PAGE

Registration Form

Children must have signed parental permission to enter the race. All children under age 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

Child's Name

Address

City, State, Zip

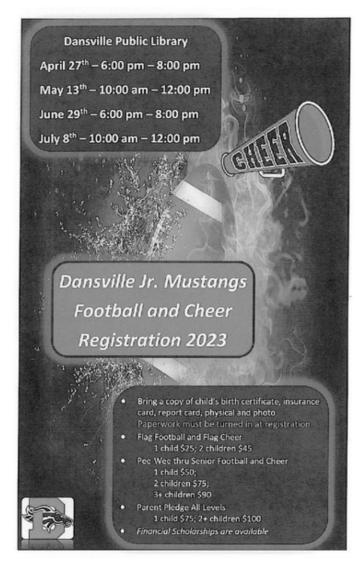
Telephone:

Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl

Child's age on the day of the race:

T-shirt size (please check one)

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3	4	5	6	7	8	Tuesdays: 9:00a.m1:30p.m.
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24 Stroller Community Walk 11am	25 Drop-In & Play	26 Gross Motor Activity	27 Butterfly Craft	28 Positive Solutions Dansville Public Library 10:15am-12:15pm	29	Phone: 607-329-2556 Email: gundersonc@proactioninc.o Website:
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National Fatherhood Initiative®

24/7 Dad® is a nationally recognized program designed for any dad who wants to improve his knowledge and skills to help him raise healthy children.

Facilitated by Bob Lecher, Mary Hassan, & Tawyna Hughes









Throughout this 7- week parent education 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 caregivers general information on key strategies that may be used with all children.





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Principal Dansville Primary School LEARN .... LEAD .... ACHIEVE