



Mrs. Hibbard's Notes

Welcome to 2024! I hope your family enjoyed a healthy and happy holiday season. We are looking forward to a great second half of the school year. Our students are learning and making growth each day academically, socially and emotionally. This month students will take their second iReady diagnostic test and 2nd reading benchmark test (F&P). We are always excited to see how much growth the students have made. We will share results with you in early February. Reading each night with your student is a great way to connect and to help them continue to develop their reading and thinking skills.. Thank you for your continued partnership and support! I wish you all a healthy and happy 2024!



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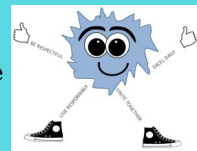
♥ In a world
where you can
be anything ♥
be kind

Mark your Calendars

- January 3** Welcome Back to School!
- January 4** BOE Meeting, 6 pm, district office
- January 10** Gr 5 Roller Skating, 3:30-4:45 pm, gym
PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm, Cady Stanton library
- January 11** Cady Stanton Spelling Bee, 6:30 pm, gym
- January 15** Martin Luther King Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL
- January 18** BOE Meeting, 6 pm, district office
- January 22-26** Safe Harbor Lessons
- January 31** BLUE Bash—Wear BLUE!

Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School Pledge

“Today we pledge to be BLUE. We will Be respectful, Live responsibly, Unite together and Excel daily because WE are Cady Stanton.”



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Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes

In January (the week of Jan. 22), a Safe Harbors Prevention Educator will teach students about personal safety (child abuse prevention). This is a mandated NYS Education Department program (Erin's Law) to help students feel good about themselves and empower them with information and skills they need to be safe. For fourth and fifth graders, this will include information about online safety. This year the educator will visit classrooms for a 50-minute lesson. An information letter will be mailed home next week and parents may choose to not have their son/daughter participate in the lesson.



Spelling Bee!

Nearly 90 students in grades 4 and 5 participated in the written spelling bee in December to try out for the school bee. Congratulations to all of these students who prepared and gave it their all in an effort to qualify for the School Bee! The 22 spellers who earned a top score on the written test will be participating in the Stanton School Spelling Bee. The School Bee is scheduled for **Thursday, January 11** and will be held in the Cady Stanton Gymnasium. The Bee will begin at 6:30 pm.



The top 10 spellers at the School Bee will be eligible to compete in the Seneca Falls School District Bee on February 8 with the top 10 Middle School spellers. The top two spellers at the district bee will then go on to compete at the Wayne-Finger Lakes Spelling Bee in March.

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee participants and best of luck. We are proud of you!



Cady Stanton PTO

Please stay informed by checking out the Cady Stanton PTO Facebook page and watching your email for information. If you are interested in joining meetings or have questions please contact Ashley at cadystantonpto@gmail.com



Congratulations to December's Students of the Month!

3rd Grade

Jack T.
Gavin S.
Brick L.
Benen O.
Emma J.

4th Grade

Myla S.
Jacob V.
Nick M.
Nolan R.
Adilyn M.

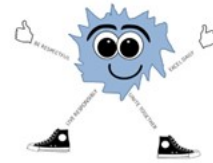
5th Grade

Addison A.
Molly V.
Erik H.
Kendra S.
Aidan C.

Special Area

(music)
Michael C. (gr 3)
Jonah S. (gr 4)
Mason C. (gr 5)





Parking and Pick Up

Reminder: The district has signs at all bus loop entrances/exits listing times of day when **ONLY** school buses are permitted to be utilizing the bus loop. Please understand this is for the safety and security of all children. We appreciate your attention to this matter to help promote safety measures.



Important Request:

For those who pick up students in the back at dismissal time:

In the interest of safety, **we strongly encourage that you park on the school side of Chapin St. only** so that emergency vehicles and our neighbors can get through Chapin St. safely. We thank you for your cooperation in helping to ensure the safety of all.

Thank you!

To students and families for their participation in the Pennies for Turkeys Drive. We raised over \$450 for the Center of Concern and the Seneca Falls Backpack Program!

To families and staff who contributed to the Cady Stanton Giving Tree. The donations helped us to make the holidays brighter for many students.

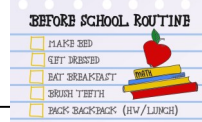
To families for your attendance at parent-teacher conferences and holiday concerts. We appreciate the time you spend in partnership with us!

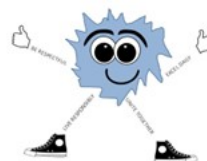


Parent Handbook Highlight

In September, each parent receives a parent handbook full of important information about policies and procedures at Cady Stanton. Each month the newsletter will highlight some important information. This month, we are highlighting our School Morning Hours (page 4 in the handbook).

School starts at 9:05 a.m. Students who ride the bus and those who are walking may begin entering the school buildings at 8:55 a.m. **It is important that students do not arrive at school before 8:55 a.m., as supervision is not guaranteed before that time.** Students who are eating breakfast in the cafeteria may enter the building beginning at 8:45 a.m., and should go directly to the cafeteria. All other students will enter at 8:55 and proceed directly to homeroom.



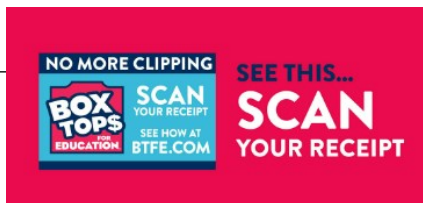


** PTO NEWS**

Cady Stanton PTO would like to thank all the parents who volunteered for the Holiday Shop! The students had a fantastic time being able to buy gifts for their loved ones! We would also like to thank everyone who had donated funds so all students could shop. Volunteers will be needed for some of the upcoming events. Please watch for posts on the Cady Stanton PTO Facebook page. If you are interested in volunteering, but have questions, please contact Ashley at cadystantonpto@gmail.com



The PTO would like to remind families that we are still doing the BoxTops, so if you are looking for a way to support our school, Box Tops is an easy way to do so. You can download the BoxTops App and set up for our school to receive the funds. All you have to do is scan your receipts and the app will find the BoxTop products for you, no more having to cut them out and send them.



The 5th grade Roller Skating Party will be on **Wednesday, January 10th**. Students must wear a helmet in order to participate (if your student does not have one or if they forget theirs we do have a few that can be borrowed). Please remember to send your child with a signed permission slip, \$5.00, a water bottle and helmet. Your child will need to be picked up at 4:45pm as there is no late bus for this event. Please enter from the back parking lot, meet your child in the gym, and remember to sign out your child before leaving the building.



The **4th grade Roller Skating Party** will be **Wednesday, February 7th**.

Our next PTO meeting will be **Wednesday, January 10th at 6:00 pm** in the Cady Stanton Library. All are welcome, whether you are mom, dad, grandparents, aunts or uncles, please feel free to come and see what we are all about! Also, please join our Facebook page and Instagram page to keep up to date with upcoming PTO events.

Upcoming Dates

- January 10 Gr. 5 Roller Skating, 3:15-4:45
- January 10 PTO Meeting, 6:30
- February 7 Gr. 3 Roller Skating, 3:15-4:45

CURRICULUM CORNER

Each month information will be shared about what your child is learning in school. This will be an overview of topics being learned; please contact your child's teacher for more details as needed. If you have special talents or knowledge of a topic to be studied that you would like to share, please reach out to your child's teacher.

We would love for you to share in our students' learning!

Grade 3: In Math, we will be using the commutative, distributive, and associative properties to multiply and divide whole numbers. After we have practiced our facts, we will solve one- and two-step word problems involving all operations. In ELA, we will begin our nonfiction text unit by comparing and contrasting fiction and nonfiction. Then, we will study the various text features of nonfiction books. We will also learn about different text structures, including compare and contrast, problem and solution, cause and effect, and chronological order.

Grade 4: This month Fourth Graders will be learning about Colonial New York with a special focus on the trades that made the community successful. Students are beginning to understand that everything needed in Colonial Times was made by hand. Our math focus continues to be multiplication and division of greater numbers. Students will continue multiplying 2 digit by 2 digit numbers as well as dividing a number with 4 digits by a one digit number. We will be having a special day in February where our 4th grade students will dress in colonial clothes and participate in colonial activities. Information on Colonial Day, which will take place in February, is coming soon!

Grade 5: In math, we are working our way through our second module on multi-digit whole number and decimal fraction operations. We just completed our mid-module assessment focusing on multi-digit whole number and decimal multiplication and we will now be moving into the second half of our module focusing on division. In ELA, we are continuing our work with *Esperanza Rising*, and making connections to the *Universal Declaration of Human Rights*. We are also wrapping up our narrative writing unit, with students completing a picture prompt post-assessment to show what they have learned! In science, we just completed our second investigation that examined phases of matter by dropping an Alka-seltzer tablet into a ziploc bag full of water. Students enjoyed getting to participate in this hands-on experiment and connecting it to their recent work with their Toys Matter science kit!

DATA CORNER

Did you know....

- ◆ Over 90% of our families participated in parent-teacher conferences and all 5th grade students led their family through a student-led conference highlighting their strengths, growth and goals. Talking about learning is a great way to keep students excited and engaged.
- ◆ 31% of our students have participated in an after-school club or activity so far this year. More clubs will begin the next 2 months so please watch for the flyers in your child's take-home folder.

SENECA FALLS BACKPACK PROGRAM

School Based Food Pantry

Where is the pantry located?

SFCSD Operations Bldg.
2 Butler Ave, Seneca Falls

Who can use the pantry?

Families that have students that attend school
in the Seneca Falls Central School District
(includes UPK and Head Start)
No pre-registration required.

When is the pantry open?

Thursdays 4 pm - 6 pm:

Jan. 4 & 18, Feb. 1 & 15, Mar. 7 & 21,
Apr. 11 & 24, May 9 & 21,
Jun. 6 & 20

Fridays 9 am - 12 pm:

Jan. 5 & 19, Feb. 2 & 16,
Mar. 8 & 22, Apr. 12 & 26,
May 10 & 31, Jun 7 & 21



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Stop the spread

Fight Flu at Home and School

Influenza (flu), spreads easily and can make people very sick, especially kids. You can help stop flu!

Flu symptoms include:

Fever or chills, body aches, cough, sore throat, headache, runny or stuffy nose, feeling very tired. Some people, especially children, may have stomach problems and diarrhea. Unlike a cold, the flu comes on very suddenly.

Prevent flu!

- Flu vaccine is the best protection against the flu. It is recommended every year for everyone 6 months and older.
- Get the flu vaccine for you and your children every year! It helps make flu sickness milder or prevents it altogether.
- Getting the vaccine early in the fall means you and your children will be protected when flu season starts.
- Make sure people close to your children, like babysitters and relatives, are also vaccinated.
- The vaccine is especially important for people with certain medical conditions, like asthma, diabetes, heart and lung disease, because the flu can make them even sicker.

If your child gets the flu:

- Your child will need plenty of rest and lots of fluids.
- Keep your child home from school for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone without using fever-control medicine. This helps avoid giving the flu to others.
- Talk with your child's health care provider before giving a child any over-the-counter medicine.
- Never give your child or teenager aspirin or any medicine that has aspirin in it. Aspirin can cause serious problems for children and teens.
- Young children and those with certain medical conditions, like asthma, diabetes, and heart or lung disease, are at greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu.
- If your child gets flu symptoms and is younger than 5 or has a medical condition, call their health care provider and ask about antiviral treatment.
- If you are worried about your child, call their health care provider.

Don't spread flu!

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water aren't handy, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow, not your hands. Put used tissues in the trash.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. That's how germs spread.
- Stay away from people who are sick.



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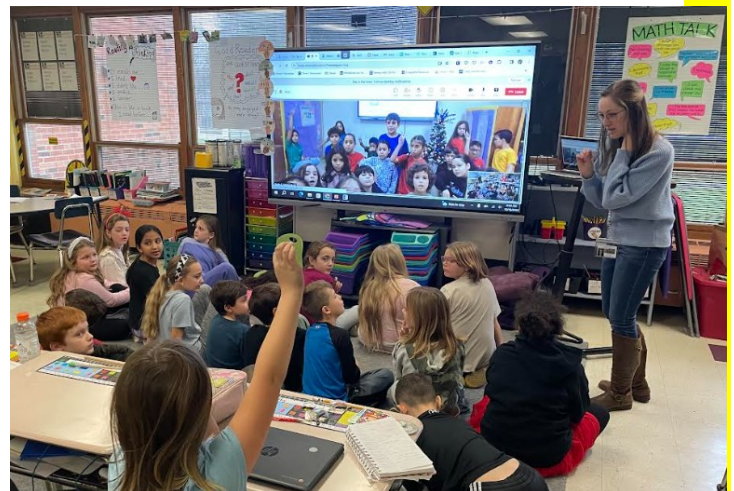
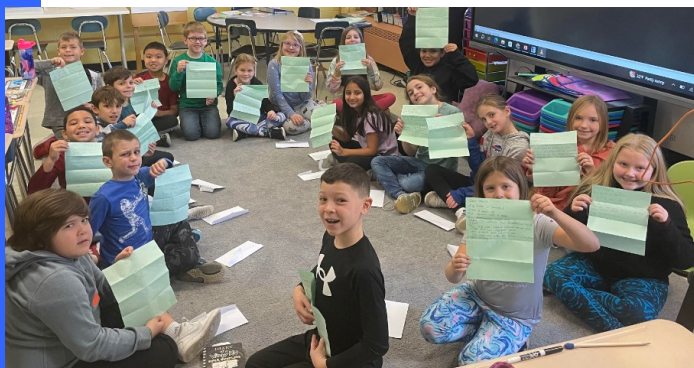
Each BLUE Bash we play a game that challenges students to unite together. Every student in the school will participate in at least one game by the end of the year.



December Students of the Month!!



3rd graders in Ms. D'Eredita's class have been corresponding with a class in Puerto Rico. When they recently had an opportunity to zoom with the class, there were questions, smiles and laughter by all!



At a recent BLUE Bash, students showed gratitude for our teacher aides and thanked them for all they do!



January 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 NO SCHOOL!!	2 NO SCHOOL!!	3 E-day	4 F-day BOE Meeting, 6 pm	5 A-day	6
7	8 B-day	9 C-day	10 D-day Grade 5 Roller Skating, 3:45-4:45 PTO meeting, 6 pm	11 E-day Stanton Spelling Bee, 6:30, ECS gymnasium	12 F-day	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL!!	16 A-day	17 B-day	18 C-day	19 D-day	20
21 Safe Harbors Visits all week	22 E-day	23 F-day	24 A-day	25 B-day BOE Meeting, 6 pm	26 C-day	27
28	29 D-day	30 E-day	31 F-day Wear BLUE!			