

Sauquoit Valley

news + views

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MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

I hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are enjoying a happy new year in what has been a mild winter so far through early January. By the time you read this, we will have completed the first half of our school year and the end of the second marking period. We have had several students recognized for achieving honor roll status, which you can read in a later section of this newsletter. We are witnessing students excel through academics, athletics, music, drama and additional extracurricular activities, and we encourage everyone to work to the best of their ability to utilize our instructional and support staff to maximize their potential and to enjoy their school experience.

I am also writing to bring to your attention a significant challenge that our school district is currently facing – a reduction in federal funding that has put us in a precarious financial situation. As you may be aware, the stimulus funding that districts received during the pandemic is ending. Over the past few years, we have worked diligently to manage our resources efficiently and maintain the high standards of education that our community values. This includes employment of staff to support learning loss during the pandemic, such as positions in Title I reading and math as well as in the counseling department. These positions have met and continue to meet the academic and mental health needs of our students. As the stimulus money evaporates, we will be challenged to fund these positions with our general operating budget, limiting our ability to generate fund balance. It is imperative that we find ways to maintain these positions in some manner in order to continue to address the needs of our students. In short, our initial budget outlook that maintains our current programs presents us with a significant budget gap.

At the January 16, 2024 Board of Education meeting, the District began its formal process for developing the 2024-2025 school budget. The District will work between now and April 2 (our anticipated budget adoption date) to mitigate this budget gap, while doing all we can to maintain our fundamental mission to meet the needs of our students.

In order to sustain the quality of education our students deserve, we find ourselves in the unfortunate position of having to seek additional funding. The most viable solution at this point is to request a slight increase in local taxes. We understand the impact of taxation on our community, and I assure you that we have not taken this decision lightly. Any potential tax adjustment would be carefully considered and thoughtfully balanced to minimize its impact while maximizing the benefits for our students and the overall community. The funds generated from this modest tax increase would be dedicated to preserving and enhancing crucial educational programs, providing our educators with the tools and resources they need to continue delivering exceptional instruction and expanding educational opportunities that empower our students for success. By investing in our schools, we are investing in the future of our community, ensuring that our children receive the best possible education and are well-prepared for the challenges of tomorrow.

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CALENDAR (CLOSINGS)

February

19-23 Mid-Winter Recess

March

15 Superintendent's Conference Day
29 No School

April

1 No School
22-26 Spring Recess

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Message from the Superintendent Cont...



Your support is indispensable during this critical time. A vibrant and well-funded school system not only benefits our students, but also enhances property values and overall community well-being. I urge you to join us in this endeavor by providing your input and support as we work together to make informed decisions that will positively shape the lives of our students. In the coming weeks, we will be hosting budget meetings to discuss the proposed tax adjustment, share detailed information about the potential impact and listen to your thoughts and concerns. Your voice matters, and we want to ensure that the decisions we make are reflective of the collective aspirations of our community.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Together, we can ensure that our children continue to receive the outstanding education they deserve.

Sincerely,

David Stayton
SUPERINTENDENT

Please join us at the following upcoming budget workshops in the high school library at 6:00 p.m.
(with BOE meetings to follow):

FEB
13

MAR
5

MAR
19

APR
2

APR
16

MAY
14

Budget Hearing

BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

**Sauquoit Valley Central
School District is hiring
both substitute and
regular bus drivers.**

**STARTING
PAY OF \$20/HOUR**

Benefits may be available.

**If you are interested in joining
our team or for more information,
please call Adam at 315.839.6318.**

**PART-TIME DRIVERS
WILL BE A GREAT ADDITION**

BUDGET VOTE

*and
Board of Education Election*

The budget vote and Board of Education election is scheduled for May 21, 2024. If you would like an absentee, military or early voting ballot, please contact the Board Clerk at 315.839.6311 or mgoodman@svcsd.org.

Sauquoit Valley FOUNDATION

The snow is falling, and the Sauquoit Valley Foundation has begun planning for our main fundraiser; the Sauquoit Valley Foundation Annual Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held at the Cedar Lake Club on July 22, 2024. Mark your calendars to save this date and join us for a great day of golf! Volunteers are needed and can contact a Board member directly or through the link for the Sauquoit Valley Foundation under "Community" on our District website: www.sauquoitvalleyfoundation.org.

Even though there is snow on the ground with the promise of more, now is a great time to order a brick for the Community Walkway. Looking for a way to honor a graduating senior, family members, groups and events? Considering a memorial for a loved one? This unique gift also pays it forward!

Here is some information about the Community Walkway and how it also helps this community:

- It allows everyone the opportunity to "leave their mark," celebrate a special accomplishment, recognize high school and community groups or pay tribute to a loved one.
- Your purchase helps to beautify the school grounds while raising funds that are used to develop programs for the benefit of the school and the community. All funds stay local.
- It's personal. Each brick is engraved with the text of your choice and installed by the foundation. The messages on each brick vary from words of congratulations for special occasions to those honoring the memory of loved ones.
- It's highly visible and available for viewing with ease. The bricks are in the walkway next to the athletic complex at the Sauquoit Valley High School. Businesses, families and other groups can also purchase a brick to show their support of the District and community.

Engraved bricks are available for purchase through the Sauquoit Valley Foundation. Different sizes are available and can be purchased at www.sauquoitvalleyfoundation.org. A printable PDF form is available when you click the "Events and Fundraisers" link on the left.

The printed form can be filled out and mailed to us at: Sauquoit Valley Foundation, 2601 Oneida Street, Sauquoit, NY 13456

It is an easy thing to do with a lasting effect in the heart of the Sauquoit Valley!

For further information or updates on events, visit our website or on Facebook. Watch for information on the "Witch Way is the 5K?" coming in October 2024.

The Sauquoit Valley Foundation continues to be an active group dedicated to the school and community. Currently, meetings are held in person in the high school Board Room on the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

MRS. KIDDER

RECOGNIZED WITH

Amazing People Award

In a recent ceremony held at the Turning Stone Resort Casino, our own Mrs. Lindsay Kidder was honored with the Amazing People Award presented by the New York State Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance (AHPERD). The Amazing People Award is awarded to individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the profession. Mrs. Kidder continues to be an advocate to our students on the importance of maintaining a healthy and safe lifestyle. This well-deserved recognition comes as she continues to demonstrate the high qualities of this award. When you see Mrs. Kidder, please take a moment to congratulate her on her recent award! Great job Mrs. Kidder -- we are all proud of your accomplishments!



OUTSTANDING *Educators* RECEIVE GENESIS AWARD



In a ceremony held in November at Hart's Hill Inn in Whitesboro, two of Sauquoit Valley School District's educators were honored with the Outstanding Educator of the Year award. This well-deserved recognition comes as a testament to both Mrs. Jeanice Gigliotti and Ms. Mallory Snow's unwavering commitment to their students and the field of education.

The award, which is given annually by The Genesis Group, celebrates educators who have made a significant impact on the lives of their students and demonstrated exceptional dedication to the teaching profession. Among the many nominees, both Sauquoit educators stood out for their remarkable achievements and contributions to the education community.

With over fifteen years of teaching experience, Mrs. Gigliotti, currently a first grade educator, has touched the lives of countless students. Her innovative teaching methods, unwavering support and ability to inspire has made her a beloved figure at the elementary school. Mrs. Gigliotti has not only excelled in classroom instruction, but also as a building leader. Mrs. Gigliotti continues to work tirelessly to become a stronger educator with her continued love of learning. She works hard in advancing her knowledge of best practices in curriculum and instruction by taking additional courses and attending professional development opportunities.

Ms. Snow is in her 18th year of service to the students of the Sauquoit Valley Central School District. Ms. Snow has earned her reputation as a dedicated and persistent teaching assistant who develops strong relationships with her students and motivates them to succeed on a daily basis. She supports students in the Academic Intervention Service setting as well as in the traditional classroom. Ms. Snow also serves as the advisor for our Colgate Seminar Club, and this year she will be serving as the bowling coach. Sauquoit Valley High School is very lucky to have Ms. Snow as part of the school community!

The Outstanding Educator of the Year award is not just a recognition of past accomplishments, but a celebration of the ongoing impact that both individuals have on future generations of students!

Congratulations to both Mrs. Gigliotti and Ms. Snow on this well-deserved honor, and may their dedication and passion continue to drive our students in the future!

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration for eligible children in the Sauquoit Valley School District will be held March 12 and 13, 2024 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the elementary school office. Registration will be by appointment only. Please call the elementary office at 315.839.6339 to schedule your appointment. The time slots will be 20 minutes apart. Children do not need to be present for registration.

To be eligible for kindergarten:

- A child must be five years old on or before December 1, 2024
- The child must reside in the Sauquoit Valley Central School District

All paperwork listed must be handed in at the time of registration:

- A completed registration packet
- Copy of a birth certificate
- Immunization record
- Two proofs of residency*

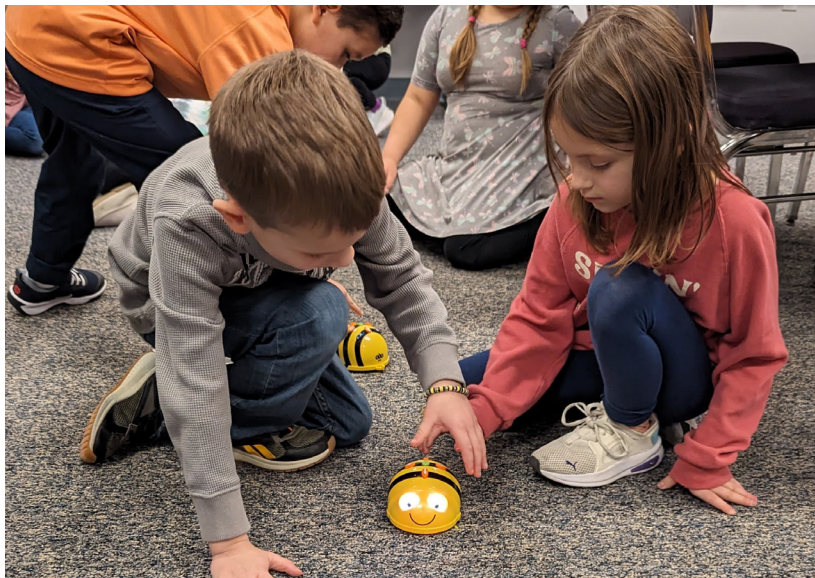
*Required documents will be explained in detail in registration packet

If your child attends the Sauquoit Universal Pre-K Program, you do not need to schedule a time slot. Please send your completed packet in with your child and if we have any questions or need additional paperwork, we will contact you.

You will only have to supply the list below at the time of registration:

- A completed registration packet
- Any new immunizations*
- If you have moved since your child started Universal Pre-K, you will need to send in new proof of residency.

Students currently enrolled in Head Start or Universal Pre-K will receive a packet prior to registration. If your child is eligible for kindergarten and you have not received a packet, please call the elementary office at 315.839.6339.



READING *to* MAKING

With the generosity and support of many individuals and businesses, the elementary library has been adding and making some changes to help promote a culture that is centered around reading. Through a donation of paint by Golden Artist Colors and the help of local artist Stephanie Wysluzal, the library has many new reading themed murals that help to enhance and make the library a cozy and fun place to be!

In addition, Mrs. Corleto has applied for and successfully been awarded two grants to help build a makerspace area in the STEAM room. Makerspaces offer a hands-on approach to learning that is centered around science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) concepts that allow students to engage in collaborative projects while fostering their creativity. From coding Bee-Bots to making pixel art, students are having fun exploring and tinkering with the new materials that are aimed at enhancing the curriculum. Thank you to Terra Science and Education and the RT Federal Credit Union for awarding and funding the grants to establish our new makerspace area!



Jazzy Jumpers

During Mrs. Kidder's physical education class, students in grades kindergarten through second worked on learning how to jump rope. Over the course of the unit, students worked hard on practicing and perfecting their jump rope skills! Many students were successful and were able to perform jump rope tricks. At the end of the unit, all students received a certificate stating that they were "Jazzy Jumpers" and their pictures went on the bulletin board outside of the gym for all to see!



DOES LISTENING *really* EQUAL READING?

Using your ears to "read" a book might look different than using your eyes, but when children listen to audiobooks, it still does wonders for their reading skills.

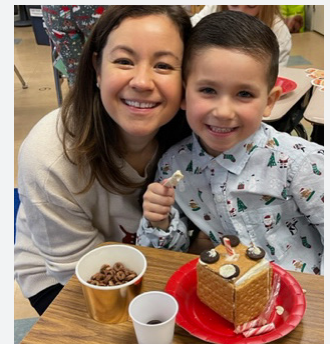
Studies show that when your child listens to a book, it helps them:

- Improve their listening and concentration skills
- Strengthen their vocabulary, pronunciation and reading fluency
- Build empathy, curiosity, cultural awareness and imagination
- And, grow their love of learning and stories

Looking to get a hold of the latest audiobooks for free? All Sauquoit students have access to Sora, our school's digital library. You can use it right on a computer or download the Sora app to a phone or tablet. Contact either Jackie Corleto, elementary school librarian or Michelle Babbie, high school librarian to learn how to get your student connected.

GINGERBREAD

Did anyone hear the sound of bells this past December? The whispers of elves? The shouts of glee from Ms. Connor's first grade class? If you did, you were hearing us enjoying the holiday spirit. The support of our families is a big part of the success of students in first grade. We had the help of many families in our class to end the year on a sweet note. We celebrated a themed Gingerbread Day! Our class did a directed painting of a gingerbread person on canvas. We crafted our own gingerbread houses and ate them along with yummy fruit and juice. We played gingerbread bingo and each winner was awarded with a prize. We even crafted a gingerbread sticker ornament. This was all thanks to the planning and generosity of our holiday room parents. Thank you to all of the families in our class for past, present and future assistance with celebrations, special days, homework and the daily organizing that goes into each day of school. Happy New Year!



Fall Phys. Ed. Fun!



In the fall, students in Mrs. Kidder's and Mr. Smith's physical education classes got together to participate in some epic fall-themed activities.

Activities:

- Pumpkin Push: Students tried to push the giant pumpkin ball past a certain point, which helps improve muscular endurance and muscular strength.
- Tug-of-War: Classes competed to try to pull their opponents past a target spot.
- Clean Our Attic: Students throw the equipment from their side of the gym to the other, helping to focus on throwing mechanics.

The students had a great time and will remember these classes forever. Before winter break, we got together again and had students participate in winter-themed stations. Students worked on hand-eye coordination, practiced winter activities, worked cooperatively together and had a lot of fun. As always, PE is the place to be!

Field TRIP

Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Feldman's kindergarten classes recently visited the Stanley Theatre to see a performance of "Pete the Cat's Big Hollywood Adventure." Students went on a musical adventure with Pete the Cat and his friends, which featured several fun-filled Pete the Cat books.

Attending a theatrical performance enriches students' lives by providing opportunities to experience the arts and serves as a way to integrate the arts throughout the Next Generation Learning Standards. This was made possible by a grant through the OHM BOCES Arts-in-Education and our Sauquoit PTO -- thank you!



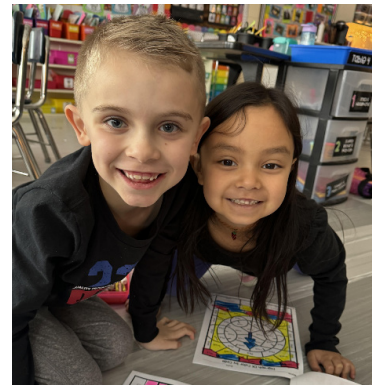
The Science of Reading

By now, you've likely heard about the science of reading. In short, it is scientifically-based research that informs us about how our brain learns to read and write. There is a specific progression to this development, as our brains were not wired to read in the way that they were to speak. In our elementary classrooms, teachers continue to learn, explore current research and study our own student data to find the most effective ways to teach each reader.

Our teachers have had the privilege of working closely with The Reading League and Consultant Kelli Johnson to learn how to best instruct our students. Although Kelli will tell you that "you can learn to read with a stick in the sand," because it does simply require systematic phonics instruction, we love to put our own fun spin on it for our primary students.

Here, we can be seen working hard at decoding our weekly phonics skill, but doing so with hands-on activities and game-based learning. Thank you for supporting our first grade students at home with their nightly reading, spelling and phonics word lists!

- The First Grade Team



health

IN THE MIDDLE SCHOOL

We're starting the new year off right! Miss Kuhn has begun pushing into the fifth grade classes to promote wellness through the integration of ten health content strands: personal hygiene, substance abuse, violence prevention, injury and personal safety, fitness and nutrition, disease and illness prevention, body systems, growth and development, illness and disease prevention, and consumer and environmental health.

physical education

in the middle school

The middle school PE department recently held a volleyball tournament for the seventh and eighth graders to compete in during their class times. This tournament promoted good sportsmanship and teamwork, while teaching the skills of volleyball.

SIXTH GRADE SCIENCE CLASS GOES TO HOWE *Caverns*

On November 11, 2023, sixth grade science students participated in a field trip to Howe Caverns! They were able to experience first-hand the processes of weathering, erosion and deposition. The students were introduced to various rock formations that took thousands to millions of years to form. This experience supported both our land, water and human interactions unit, as well as the geological processes unit that followed the trip.

We would like to give a huge thank you to the PTO for funding 50% of the field trip cost. We are very grateful for your support!



SAUQUOIT VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

PEACE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS RECOGNIZED

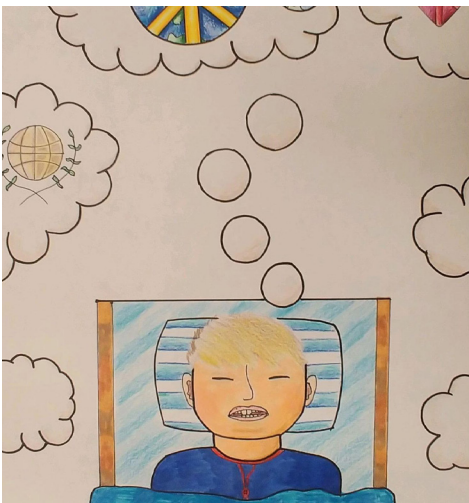
Written by Sauquoit Valley Lions Club members Constance and John Griffin

On December 14, 2023, the Sauquoit Valley Lions Club invited the winners of the annual Sauquoit Valley Middle School Lions Club's International Peace Poster Contest and their families to join them at Orchard Hall for an awards presentation and dinner. The three winners from the middle school were Josephine Polish, Mason Enjem and Juliana LoCash. The Lions have been pleased with the ongoing support for the annual contest by the Art Department. The middle school has participated in recent years with the support of art teacher Colleen Luczak.

We are pleased to be working with new art teacher Kristen Willson. The students began the project in early September, and were given the theme "Dare to Dream." The posters were submitted to the Sauquoit Valley Lions Club for a vote (Club members were not aware of whose poster they are choosing when voting). The winning entry is sent to the District level for a vote, and then moves on to the state level. The children are competing with students from all over the world and when chosen, continue up the ladder competing with other students.

The Sauquoit Valley Middle School winning poster has won the District contest two of the last three years, with Josephine narrowly missing winning second out of 74 districts. As Lions, we are proud to serve and excited that this program is giving our students, their families and other Lions a chance to work together and understand more of what the Lions Clubs do. This year's posters were displayed at the Lions Club booth during the Sauquoit Valley Fine Arts & Crafts Show in November, where we hold our yearly Lottery Tree raffle with proceeds benefiting the Golisano Children's Hospital in Syracuse. This year, we raised \$2,338 to benefit childhood cancer research and treatment.

Congratulations to all the students that participated in this year's contest. Our appreciation goes out to the Art Department and our District for continuing to work with us in addressing the needs of our community and beyond!



Middle School Honor Roll

MARKING PERIOD 1

HIGHEST HONOR LIST

GRADE 5

Brown, Erin
Busch, Mason
Cardillo, Maggie
Day, Mason
Dellea, Rachel
DelMedico, Chloe
Freitag, Sarah
Jerzak, Grace
Lupia, Charlotte
Mackey, Remington
Merrell, Charlotte
Nora, Lily
Porter, Alexis
Rapke, Teagan
Sherman, Lyvia
Simon, Samuel
Thall, Avery
Vivacqua, Caleb
Woods, Phoenix

GRADE 6

Barsuch, Logan
Boone, Elsie
Cardillo, Claire
Collins, Abigail
Dikar, Sahntee
Enjem, Mason
Gagnon, Elaina
George, Elliana
Haberek, Avery
Kidder, Violet
Merrell, Julia
Reed, Logan
Selmi, Yasmina
Sen, Stella
Vaber, Mason
Valeriano, Phoebe
Vivacqua, Connor
Yaletchko, Nicholai

GRADE 7

Barker, Kenedi
Brennan, Lillyan
Davis, Margaret
Grimes, Jacquelyn
Hoch, Nikeya
LoGalbo, Owen
Nora, Jackson
Sacco, Alexander
Stephens, Landon
Stoddard, Mason
Yearby, Kaylin

GRADE 8

Brown, Shealyn
Busch, Lauri
Chmukh, Karina
Colucci, Michael
Crompt, James
Cuthbertson, Alexa
Larsen, Colton
Lewandrowski, Dani-Raye
Madore, Jack
Nolan, Alexa
Roberson, Luke

HONOR'S LIST

GRADE 5

Davies, Ella
Davis, Andrew
Dean, Zachary
DeCarr, Abigail
DelMedico III, Michael
Eichhorn, Evelyn
Fiore, Adeleia
Foley, Kalea
Hibbard, Dalton
Hills, Brody
Hudson, Lauryn
Huyck, Olivia
Miller, Emily
Peckham, Colin
Peduri, Jacob
Polish, Katherine
Prouty, Lilly
Santiago-Becker, Ellasandria
Shaul, Jasmine
Silchuk, Samuel
Tallman, Liam
VanEtten, Olivia
Wood, Blake
Wratten, Arianna

GRADE 6

Allen, Charlotte
Baird, Lilly
Ballard, Annalise
Bliss, Nevaeh
Brindisi, Louis
Flynt, Lily
Handzel, Eden
Lee, Isaiah
Lovrencic, Logan
McAllister, Ethan
Nolan, Jacob
Palmer, Adrian
Wood, Evan

GRADE 7

Angiulli, Emma
Biamonte, Camerin
Bodendorf, Gabriel
Bradbury, James
Calenzo, Julianna
Griffiths, Olivia
Hale, James
Jalowiec, Brennan
Kimball, Haylee
Lee, Sean
Macrina, Sophia
Miller, Matson
Miller, William
Polarolo, Cameron
Potter, Courtney
Reynolds, Lilianna
Rocker, Jaxen
Tompkins, Liam
Wadsworth, Charlotte
Wolak, Makayla

GRADE 8

Beratta-Urriola, Denis
Call, Braydon
Cosens, Morgan
Curriere, Angela
DelMedico, Chase
Ekes, Oliviana
Harvey, Lia
Krupa, Daniel
Lallier, Luke
Petzke, Isabella
Prouty, Addison
Randall, Brian
Vaber, Levi
Weibel, Stella
Williamson, Liam
Wilson, Trentyn

PRINCIPAL'S LIST

GRADE 5

Dodge, Luella
Doerr, Alexis
Holmes, Alexandria
Hryb, Michael
Kachanovich, Liana
Kelly, Lilly
Lopiccolo, Mia
Loughlin, Jovonna
Malone, Maxx
Misiaszek, Alivia
Moore, Frank
Paciello, Harper
Parslow, Tristan
Reed, Sage
Sullivan, Millie
Talerico, Andre
Weeks, Amerah
Werthman, Terrence

GRADE 6

Corleto, Kelsey
DeCarr, Emma
Jones, Luke
Lallier, Lia
Marcello, Gianna
Quesnelle, Elissa-Rose
Sumner, Cecilia
Tylutki, Virginia
Weeks, Alzaina

GRADE 7

Allen, Parker
Alsante, Hannah
Aylesworth, Evan
Baker, Savannah
Bianco, Lily
Crowe, Shae
Davies, Caleb
Gehringer, Adriana
Hughes, Olivia
Juliano, Alexa
Kellmurray, Raegan
Kotary, Mila
Lopiccolo, Austin
Nattress, Bryce
Noonan, Trenton
Parslow, Landon
Quesnelle, Elijah
Rabkavets, Kseniya
Reile, Harper
Silchuk, Matthew
Wolczanski, Samuel

GRADE 8

Allen, Alexandra
Barrett, Silvanna
Benn, Hailey
Cardillo, Grace
Crompt, John
Femia, Chace
Fredericks, Addison
George, Olivia
Hartnett, Doyle
Hartnett, Lottie
Jalowiec, Jacob
Kachanovich, Anastaciya
Leao, Jiana
Luchsinger, Gaberiel
Meeker, Colin
Patrick, Luke
Pellegriano, Gianna
Sullivan, Addison
Tarasevich, Victoria

High School Honor Roll

MARKING PERIOD 1

HIGH HONOR ROLL

GRADE 9

Brennan, Allyson
Brown, Benjamin
Burton, Paige
Christensen, Raina
Curriere, Lydia
Dreidel, Kaylyn
Enjem, Mark
Freitag, Samuel
Kalil, Nora
King, Mia
Miller, Lucielle
Rabkavets, Darya
Sanders, Nicholas
Sherman, Afton
Williams, Gideon
Zegarelli, Sophia

GRADE 10

Critelli, Evan
Jouben, Jared
Krupa, Alex
Land, Makayla
Makuszk, Julia
Montrose, Makayla
Steinbacher, Sara
Weaver, Brynn
Williams, Tristyn
Yerman, Kamryn

GRADE 11

Cruikshank, Alexander
Davis, Hannah
DelMedico, Lorelai
Fiegl, Liam
Judway, Katherine
Kachanovich, Daria
Lazarek, Addison
Lyke, Aiden
Marceau, Sydney
McGarry, Aidan
Polarolo, Madison
Rabkavets, Alesia
Sallustio, Sydney
Tomasso, Sophia
Torruella, Callum
Zegarelli, Julia

GRADE 12

Canarelli, Isabella
DePerno, John
Gifford, Abby
Jouben, Jacob
Judway, Alisen
Kalil, Olivia
Latino, Zachary
Peckham, Alexander
Porter, Siena
Price, Alyssa
Roberts, Alexandria
Shepherd, Kirsten
Timian, Gia
Weaver, Alaina
Williams, Ava

HONOR ROLL

GRADE 9

Aylesworth, Hailey
Ballard, Tobias
Banks, Desiree
Carnevale, Isabella
Colosimo IV, Michael
Conklin, Emma
Cuthbertson, Jaxon
Davis, Ryann
Dikar, Jenweh
Evans-Akins, Amethyst
Giannatelli, Lily
Gifford, Madison
Grimes, Kenny
Handzel, Ellie
Karpovich, Caroleana
Kimball, Wyatt
Kolmer, Jacob
Kotary, Dominik
McGarry, Mason
Roach, Kaylie
Schultz, Isiah
Tibbitts, Gordon
Torchia, Angelo
Wadsworth, Campbell
White, Jayden
White, Parker

GRADE 10

Barker, Broc
Call, Margaret
Carbone, Enzo
Evans, Brittany
Farrell, Julia
Femia, Rocco
Fredericks, Madalyn
Johnson, Anna Belle
Jones, Jack
Lenard, Malia
Marcano, Daniel
Miller, Hannah
Mozden, Ben
Petteys, Bryce
Reile, Owen
Rocker, Rylee
Werthman, Lilianna

GRADE 11

Banas, Jacob
Beecher, Caden
Burton, Julia
Colosimo, Alexa
Colucci, Julia
Crowe, Carly
Dawes, Samantha
Decker, Jake
Dischiavo, Ella
Fancett, Emilie
Farrell, Mason
Hanna, Nathan
Herrington, Haley
Keller, Alexander
LaSalle, Olivia
Messett, Elizabeth
Morgan, Mia
Perritano, Jaelyn
Price, Joan
Regetz, Braden
Sacco, Sophia
West, Garrett
Zammiello, Sophia

GRADE 12

Brown, Allen
Evans, Mckenzie
Giuliano, Nicholas
Henck, James
Hinman, Emma
Howard, Deacon
Khatir, Krish
Larsen, Leah
Lenard, AnnaNoelle
LoGalbo, Joshua
Mozden, Joy
Nattress, Sydney
Nelson, Donovan
Patrick, Kaelin
Prichard, Alex
Silchuk, Emily
Smith, Shawn
Stoddard, Geovanni
White, Ethan

MERIT ROLL

GRADE 9

AlDujaili, Yahya
Brown, Addison
Carangelo, Maxwell
Carbone, Lucia
Carey, John
Curtis, Cassandra
Freemire, Benjamin
Hunt, Brooke
Lebert, Ava
LoGalbo, Blake
Lupino, Talia
Messett, Jackie
Mroz, Jason
Nowlan, Lucas
Perritano, Nicholas
Randazzo III, Thaddeus
Reinhardt, Genevieve
Roberts, Sylvia
Rocker, Gavin
Smith, Mairead
Strong, Jacob

GRADE 10

Barrett, Isabella
Chmukh, Vitaliy
Folger, Michael
Hernandez, Mya
Hinman, Thomas
Latino, Jacob
Manzer, Trinity
Miner, Alexia
Newell, Maddison
Ostrosky, Ryleigh
Ryan, Gavin
Selmi, Sophia
Silchuk, Nathan
Sweet, Brenna
Wentrick, Parker
Zayas, Bailey

GRADE 11

Acquaviva, Frank
Allen, Jamie
Bradbury, Aubrey
Carnevale, Alessandro
Coughlin, Thomas
Eichhorn, Theodore
Foley, SaraAnn
Kolmer, Kobe
Maltese, Brayden
Messenger, Aaron
Messett, Lewis
Pett, Zachary
Skoler, Aubrey
Snyder, Toryn

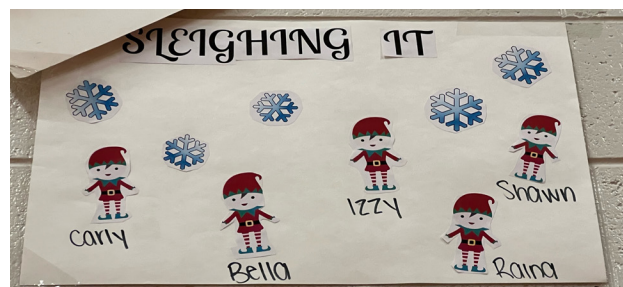
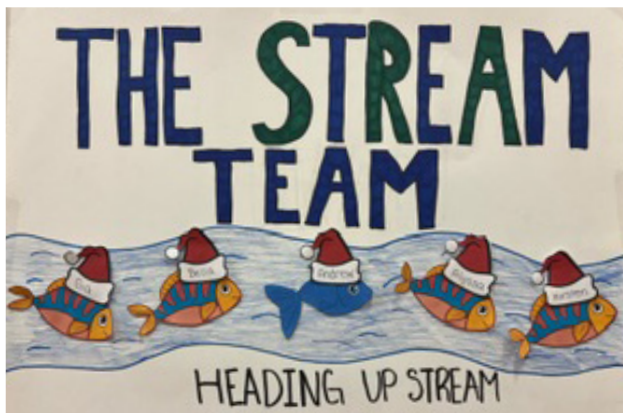
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Candy Cane TOURNAMENT OF 2023

The high school PE classes competed and participated in their annual Eclipse Ball Candy Cane Tournament. Eclipse Ball is a fun mix of volleyball, tennis and badminton. On top of mixing the sports, it is an arena style game. This means that the ball can be played off the walls and the ceiling, making it more accessible and fun for each student. Students had to draft their own teams. These teams consisted of a head coach, trainer, media publicist, assistant coach and captain. The head coach delegated these responsibilities to their teammates. Teams had to come together to come up with a team name as well. All teams were able to come up with their own creative names, and they used all team members' strengths during this event. Every team played with perseverance and sportsmanship. Not only were the students able to have a chance at winning the entire tournament, but they were also given a chance to re-enter the tournament if a loss happened. At the conclusion of the tournament, each member was given a celebratory candy cane in the spirit of this contest. Overall, each class had friendly competitions, and we can't wait for next year's tournament!

Here are some photos and examples of the artistic team posters, taken to commemorate the Candy Cane Tournament of 2023;



ROTARY JUNIORS OF THE MONTH

From left: Carol Malloy, Sydney Marceau (October), Callum Torruella (November) and Randy Wilson, President of the Sauquoit Rotary Club

SV SPORTS BOOSTERS NEWS

It is hard to believe it is already January and we are halfway through the winter sports season! Mark your calendars for the Winter Varsity Sports Awards Banquet, which will be March 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. A special thank you to all of the volunteers and school staff who spent countless hours helping the SV Sports Boosters this past fall in the concession stand and with the fall awards banquet! We cannot provide the special events, equipment, uniforms, awards, etc. to our SV student-athletes without our volunteers.

Speaking of volunteers, many members of the current SV Sports Boosters Board will be stepping down this spring, leaving the following positions to be filled: president, vice president, treasurer, concession coordinator, fundraising coordinator and trustees. The mission of the Sauquoit Valley Sports Boosters is to promote and foster the development of physical education and sports programs at Sauquoit Valley Central School and the Board is needed to oversee and carry out this important mission! The current Board takes great pride in the things they have been able to accomplish and would love to see the organization continue, and more importantly for the folks who love to eat at games, for concessions to stay open! Nominations for the positions are due during the April 7 meeting, followed by elections at the May 19 meeting and the new Board will be seated June 9. If you would like to hear more about these positions or to simply get general information about the SV Sports Boosters organization, please send us an email at svsportsboosters@gmail.com. If we can't get new Board members, the organization will be dissolved, so please consider stepping up and helping. It is a great way to support our student-athletes and meet new people!

Although it is in June, planning for the Post Prom Party on June 8 continues; the gifts have been purchased and final details for the event are in the works. Parents who would like to help with this fun event, please reach out!



FIELD HOCKEY

This year, Sauquoit Valley girls field hockey team received the Sportsmanship Award. This award is given to a team that shows respect to each other, other teams and officials. This is voted on by representatives of schools and officials.



SOCCER

The girls soccer team reached the state's final four.

CROSS COUNTRY

Alex Keller was recognized for competing in the state cross country meet and placing 33rd.

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HOURS

WEDNESDAYS: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

MONDAYS: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

If your family is in need of help or if you have any questions,
please call 315.839.5303, leave a message and we'll get right back to you.

Follow us on Facebook: Sauquoit Valley Friends & Neighbors



Garden Club



The Sauquoit Valley Garden Club welcomes new members. If you are interested in gardening, floral design, conservation and hands-on activities, consider joining. For more information or to join, please contact Marge Mortis at 315.520.4548 or margem173@yahoo.com.



Clayville Library

SERVING THE GREATER SAUQUOIT VALLEY

2265 Oneida St. Clayville, NY 13322 | 315.839.5893 | 315.839.5070 (fax)

Public Computers - Reference Materials - Current Best Sellers - Magazines - Current Release DVDs & Blu-Rays - Games - Puzzles - Legos - Copy & Fax Services - Wi-Fi Access - After-School Hours - Reading Nook

You can request items from the Clayville Library's shelves or from elsewhere in the MidYork system by accessing www.midYork.org or calling the library at 315.839.5893.

A Notary Public is available by appointment. Call the library to set up a time.

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesday & Friday

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday

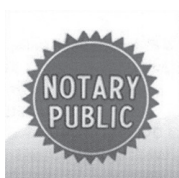
3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

- Join in our **"Kid's Choice" Story Hour at 5 p.m. every Thursday.** Enjoy a story of your child's choosing and then a craft to accompany the story! Lots of fun and "action" for your preschooler!
- **Legos in the Library** is every Saturday from noon-2 p.m. Bring a friend & let your imaginations loose!
- **Take & Make** craft kits are available to children throughout the month.
- **Our Book Club** meets the last Tuesday of the month. Join us for a good read and good company.
- **The Upstate Mammography Van** returns to the Clayville Library on Apr. 17 from 10 a.m.– 4 p.m. Call 315.464.2582 to schedule an appointment. Appointments can also be requested online at <http://www.upstate.edu/mobile-mammography/>.
- Sign up for the **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge** at the Clayville Library:
 - » This FREE program encourages you to read 1,000 books with your child before he or she enters school - a goal experts say children need to help them learn to read for themselves. One of the best ways to encourage learning is to spend time sharing books every day. This program is available to all families with children between the ages of birth and five years.
- **The Clayville Library Association in conjunction with Sauquoit Valley Friends & Neighbors'** tutoring program for students in grades second through eighth continues. If you have a student who needs extra assistance with math or reading skills, contact the Clayville Library for more information.
- **The Ludlow Community Room** is available for parties, meetings and events and is "free" to the residents of the Town of Paris. Call the library to reserve the community room for your meeting or event. Our Barrett Nature Gazebo is also available for outdoor use and is equipped with Wi-Fi availability.
- The **2024 Museum Passes** for The Wild Center, Onondaga County Parks, NYS Parks, Fort Rickey Discovery Zoo, Munson, the MOST Museum in Syracuse and the Utica Zoo are again available for you to check out and enjoy with your family.

A heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped make the Clayville Library Association's 2023 Annual Fund Drive a success. The Board of Trustees and staff of the Clayville Library Association are grateful to our patrons, neighbors and friends





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