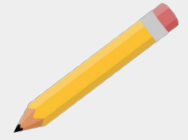


# NA Walbran Newsletter

November 2022

## Message from the Principal



Dear Members of the Oriskany CSD Community,

It's hard to believe that December is here! Quarter two is under way, and students are focused and working hard. Our building-wide social-emotional lessons (SEL) for students in grades K-6 are in full swing. The purpose of these lessons is to have students acquire and effectively apply the knowledge and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, feel and show empathy for others, make responsible decisions, and maintain positive relationships. This collaborative effort, between our two Social Workers, Brittany Weibel and Brandi Bostic, and our School Psychologist, Stephanie McLaughlin, is essential to effectively prepare our young people to succeed in school and in life.

November provided us with much for which to be thankful. First, thank you for participating in our Parent/Teacher Conferences. These collaborative meetings aim towards fostering every child's "personal best"; your input is valued and appreciated. Additionally, thank you to those of you who were able to attend our PTA's Scholastic Book Fair, and a HUGE thank you to our NA Walbran PTA for dedicating their time to work the Book Fair. Speaking of the PTA, the Holiday Shop has been scheduled for the week of Monday, 12/12-Thursday, 12/15, with evening hours on Wednesday, 12/14, from 5-7PM. We hope to see you there!

Finally, another simple joy of the season will take place on Thursday, December 15th...our Elementary Winter Concert. Be sure to come out for a festive evening of holiday fun as our students entertain us with their incredible musical talent!

In the hustle and bustle of this season, we all know the importance of remembering those that matter most - our families. On behalf of the entire NA Walbran faculty and staff, I wish you a happy, peaceful, and reflective holiday season.

Sincerely,

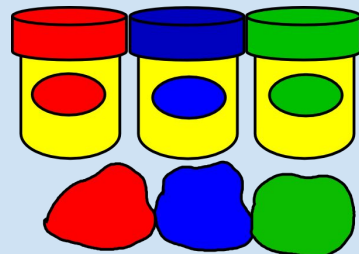
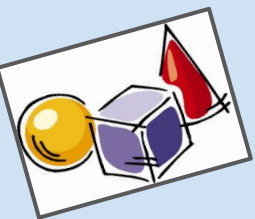
Maureen Gray, Interim Principal



# What's happening in Mrs. Graziadei's Class?

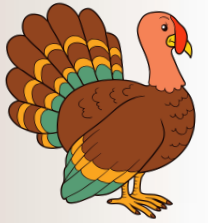


Mrs. Graziadei's PreK class has been learning their shapes. They enjoyed making 2-d shapes with straws and play dough.





# Ms. Island's 2nd Grade Class

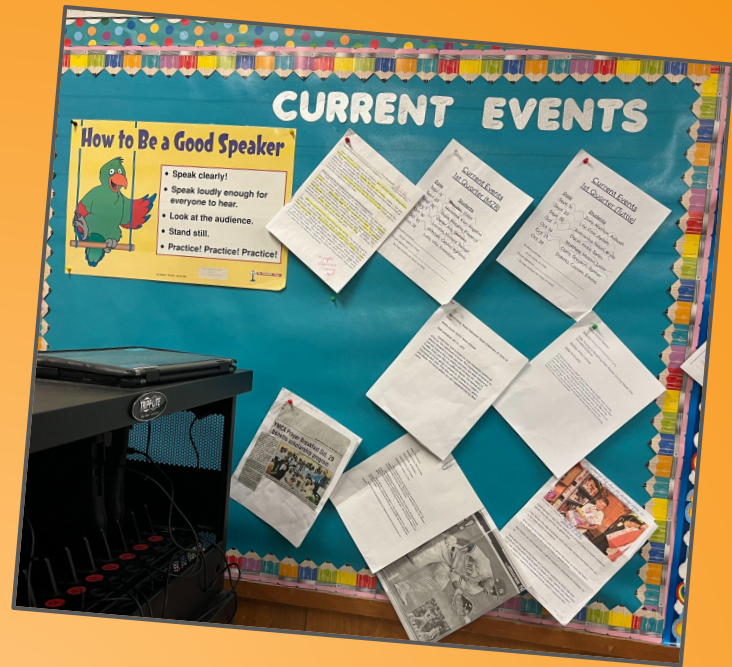
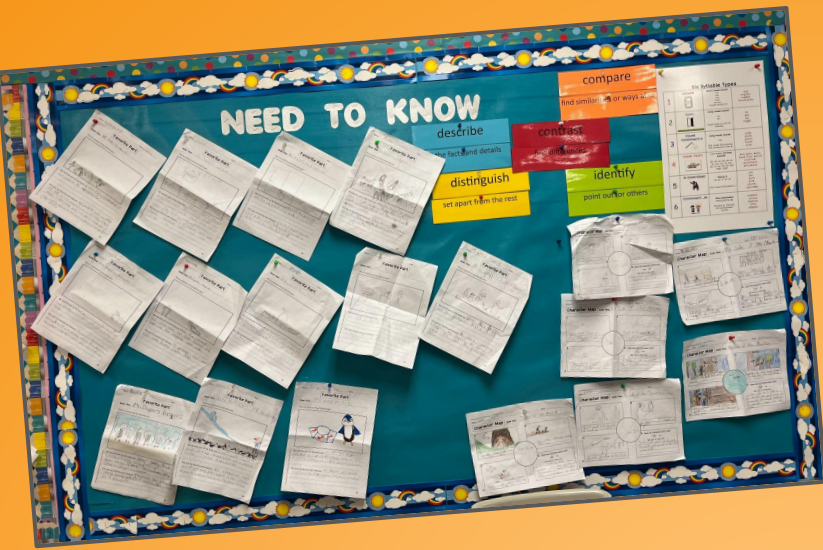


Ms. Island's 2nd grade class really liked working on Thanksgiving activities. They created fact/opinion turkeys, wrote about what they were thankful for, and enjoyed great Thanksgiving stories.





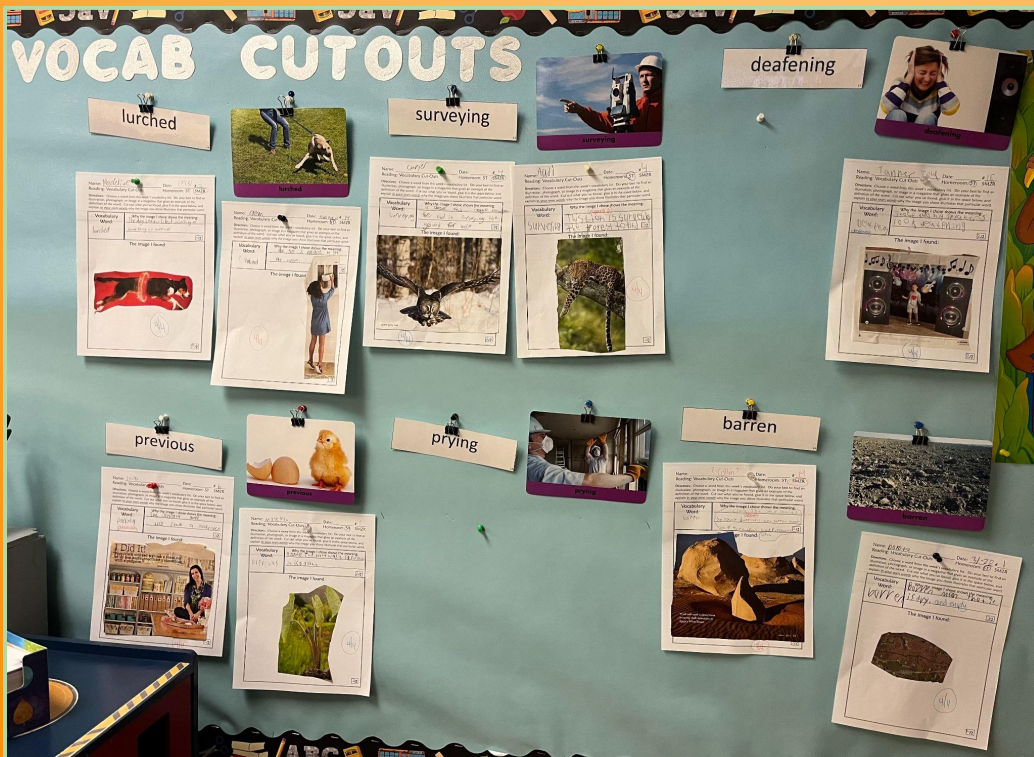
# 5th Grade...Ms. Zarnoch-Riley's Classes



Each month, all students have the option of reading an assigned chapter book and completing a book report which they can read and work on at home with families. Everyone who visits the classroom loves to see all these samples of student work!

*Awesome job, fifth graders!*

All fifth grade students help add to the work bulletin boards in Ms. Zarnoch-Riley's ELA and social studies classroom. Each week, students present current events article summaries to their classmates. They also practice their new vocabularies words by cutting photos out of magazines and explaining in writing how the images they chose represent each word.







# Intramurals



The 5th and 6th grade boys had an opportunity to sign up and participate in two separate intramural activities led by Mr. Enos.

This month's intramural activities were Indoor Soccer and Ultimate Football.





# Veterans Day Assembly

Students at NA Walbran had a very special Veterans Day assembly organized by Mrs. Marcinkowski and Mrs. Hanna. Members from different branches of the military spoke to students about their experiences. Students asked great questions and learned a lot from these heroes.



Chorus members sang a special song and 6th grade students presented a Google Slides presentation on "Why We Celebrate Veterans Day", read a poem, and displayed a flag with the images of all the branches of the military.




A special thanks to our veterans!!

# SCHOOL DELAYS

(due to inclement weather)

One hour delay: Students enter the building at 9:45; Breakfast will be served.

Two hour delay: Students enter the building at 10:45. Breakfast will NOT be served.



Notice of school being delayed (or cancelled) will be broadcast on the district website, the school messenger emergency notification (robo calls), and radio and television stations.



# REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- December 7: PTA Meeting  
Elementary library, 3:30pm
- December 15: Elementary Winter Concert  
7:00 pm, Jr/Sr HS Auditorium
- December 23: No School; Winter Recess begins

Mrs. Caruso's 1st grade class took a break from their Halloween holiday activity to pose for a picture.



Kali Kraeger took advantage of the first snowfall of the season to build a NA Walbran snowman!



Kindergarten students made some pies in art class to take home and display for the holiday.

