## The Sussex Star

November 3, 2017

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### **Principal's Message**



As a reminder, Report Cards will be sent home with students on Wednesday, November 8th.

Congratulations to the NJHS and all of the participants in this year's talent show.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

11/7 & 11/8 -Boy's Basketball Tryouts

11/8-Report Cards Go Home

11/13-Picture Retakes

11/13-11/14-Girl's Basketball Tryouts

11/16-8th Grade Tours @ HPRHS

**11/17**-Early Dismissal P/T Conferences (afternoon)

**11/20**-Early Dismissal P/T Conferences (afternoon)

**11/21**-Early Dismissal P/T Conferences (evening)

11/22-Early Dismissal

### Builder's Club

Builder's Club began on Tuesday, October 3rd. Students interested in joining Builder's Club should see Ms. Birnbaum.

### Parent/Teacher Conferences



Letters for Parent/Teacher conferences were sent home with students on Wednesday, November 1st. If you wish to schedule a Parent/Teacher conference, please return the bottom portion of the form by Wednesday, November 8th.

### 8th Grade Tours

Permission slips went home on Thursday, 10/19, with all 8th grade students. The permission slips enable 8th grade students to attend the 8th grade tours at High Point Regional High School on Thursday, November 16th. Students should have returned their permission slips to the main office by Thursday, November 2nd.

### **PTO**

Please consider joining our District Parent Teacher Organization. It is an extremely active organization that has had a profoundly positive impact on our district.

### PICTURE RETAKES



Sussex Middle School picture retakes will take place on Monday, November 13th.

### Girl's and Boy's Basketball



Tryouts for Girl's and Boy's basketball begin in November and are as follows: Boys Tryouts-November 7th and 8th from 3:35 p.m. until 5:05 p.m. Please note the date change. Girls Tryouts-November 13th and 14th from 3:35 p.m. until 5:05 p.m.

### **Bowling Club**



Bowling Club began on Thursday, September 28th. Students interested in joining Bowling Club should see Mrs. Trovillion or Mrs. Winfield.

#### Band



Music is in the air at the Sussex Middle School! Band and lessons have begun for the 2017-2018 school year. Does your child want to be part of the excitement of learning to play a band instrument? It's not too late! No prior experience necessary! Please have your 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student see Mrs. Kallimanis for more information or contact her at <a href="mailto:ikallimanis@swregional.org">ikallimanis@swregional.org</a>.



The Parent Portal is a tool in our Realtime Student Management system that allows parents to have access to their child's grades. Please take a moment to visit our website at www.swregional.org and log on to the Parent Portal. There you can review all required documents, answer questions included in the portal and verify that your contact information is up to date. This information should have been completed in the Parent Portal by Friday, September 22nd.

#### Nurse's Corner

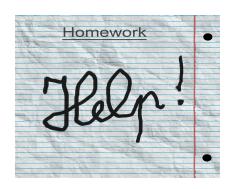


Students who are interested in participating in extracurricular sports must have a physical submitted to the school nurse prior to tryouts.

# Support

Our Grandparent's Support Group will be meeting on November 17th and December 15th from 10:30 a.m. until noon at Sussex Middle School.

### Homework Club



Homework Club began on Tuesday, September 26th. Permission slips for Homework Club were sent home with students last week. Homework Club will run on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. This is a great chance for students to complete their work in the building away from distractions that may occur at home. This time will be monitored by our teachers which will allow students to have an opportunity to get help and instruction during this time.

### Forms, Forms, Forms...

On Thursday, September 7th, students were given three forms to take home. Please complete the yellow student information form, the blue health information form and the white free and reduced lunch form (if it applies) and return these forms to the SMS main office These forms were due on Friday, September 22nd.

### **Community Events**

Free Parent Workshop
Open to All Parents in Sussex County

Monday, November 6th at 7:00pm Ogdensburg School Library 100 Main Street Ogdensburg, NJ

Turning Porcelain into Steel
Helping children deal with stress by
building resiliency

About the workshop: During this workshop you will learn strategies to help your child become more resilient, bounce back from challenges and fulfill their potential for greatness.

About the presenter: Bernie Ivin is a
Licensed Clinical Social Worker and
Certified Cognitive Behavioral Therapist.
He is the founder, program director, and
clinician at Strength for Change. He has
authored and self-published a book titled
A Parent's Handbook: The Essential

Guide To Obtaining Counseling Services

For Your Child and a multi-media program titled The 1-2-3 Succeed Program:

Helping The Capable, But Disorganized & Unmotivated Student.

Please contact Leanne Paolazzi with any questions at LPAOLAZZI@OBBOE.ORG.