Stillwater School Newsletter

March 4, 2022

Important Dates and Reminders:

Board of Education Meeting: 3/21 and 3/28 at 7 pm. Check the school website, under the Board Office Tab and Stillwater School Announcements, for more information.

Spring Pictures:

Spring pictures will take place on Thursday, March 24th. All orders will be online ONLY. The link to order pictures will be provided as the date gets closer.

2021-22 Yearbooks are on Sale:

Order today! Click on below link to order your Yearbook. Orders must be placed by 3/24/22.

https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productBrowse/1124958/Stillwater-Township-Elementary-School/2022-Yearbook/20211112041525867130/CATALOG_SHOP/

Email Michelle.Gerkhardt@Stillwaterschool.net if you have any questions.

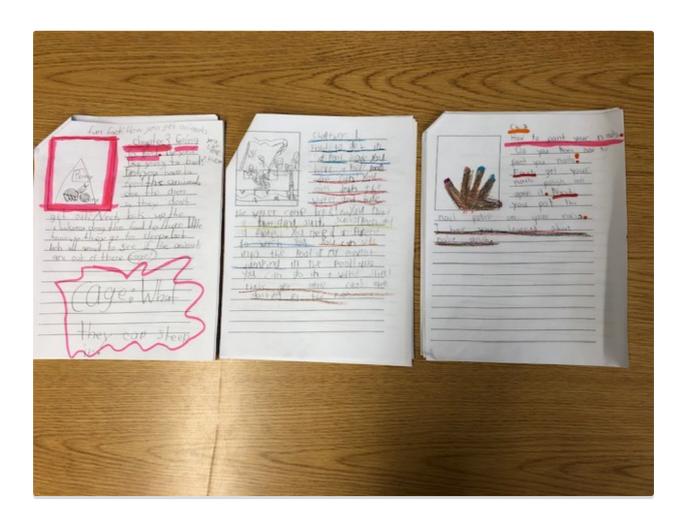
Breakfast and Lunch Menus:

https://stillwaterschool.nutrislice.com/menu/

Second Grade News:

Second grade is celebrating our young authors! Students have been writing informational books, which we call "Expert Books". Second graders are including facts and keywords to "teach" readers about a topic they already know a lot about. Students have enjoyed writing books about subjects from nail polish and toy trains to farm animals and swimming pools. This week the second graders are

taking their best Expert Book and sharing it on a Flipgrid video library. Now our students will have the opportunity to listen to a variety of Expert Books in our Second Grade Google Classroom. Congratulations to our young authors!



Third Grade Family Math News:

Third Grade Family Math began on Tuesday, March 1st. Openers included toothpick puzzles, cut a card, coin problems, tangrams and a Venn diagram. Activities enjoyed by all were "Sum What Dice" and "Double Digit" both place-value dice games. Congratulations to Lydia Prudencia. She came closest to the goldfish estimation. Congratulations!

-Miss Johnson and Mrs. Knapp

Fourth Grade Language Arts News:

Students are working on building their story writing skills! We have been practicing narratives by adding dialogue, actions, details, and exciting problems and solutions! Reading amazing stories has also been an inspiration. We have suspenseful class novels and short fiction stories that are giving us great ideas for our own writing. On top of everything, we've had a blast celebrating Love of Reading week!

Makerspace News...EDP in Action

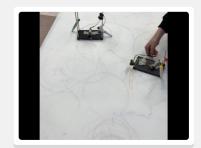
(Engineering Design Process)

Winter Olympics

5th and 6th grade students were challenged to design a ramp for an Olympic Event - the Luge. This Engineering Design Challenge consisted of designing and building a ramp to certain criteria and constraints, completely out of Legos. In addition, students were required to design and build a luge from paper that would hold their "athlete" (a marble) while it traveled down the ramp. Students enjoyed creating and testing their projects!





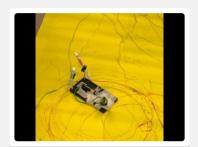


Have you ever heard of a Wigglebot? Or a Scribblebot?

*Just ask a 4th grader - they can tell you all about them!

These creative projects require students to assemble a variety of parts into a working "Wigglebot" - a robot that can wiggle. Once this is accomplished, students add markers to their bot and see if it can scribble! The most difficult part is that there are essentially no directions - students basically figure out on their own how to connect a motor to stationary parts to make them move. Check out these photos!







Lu Club News:

Stillwater Township School has started a Lu Club this year for grades 5 and 6 to learn more about our interactive projector and come up with apps for it. Recently the students got to meet with Denisse from Lu and were given a tour of the warehouse where they build the Lu systems. We learned it takes them 5 hours to build one and that the company is 5 years old and they have 23 employees right now. The students in the club enjoyed talking with her and asking her questions about the company and the system. This week the students get to tour the Lu gym where they try out all the new apps and games to see if they will work. They even got to see the 1,000th system that they built!! The students have already come up with some neat new apps that they will continue to work on for the next few weeks! Mrs. Earley and Mr. Tiberi

Music News:

March is music in our school's month! For many years, we have been lucky enough to celebrate music by putting on an All-District Honors Concert at Kittatinny. While we haven't been able to take trips over the last few years, I'm excited to share that we will be participating in this event once again! Students in grades five and six have auditioned for select choir and signed up for advanced band back in September. These students will be traveling to Kittatinny this month to prepare for a concert including students from all four sending districts and junior high-level musicians. This opportunity challenges students to work on difficult music, gives them a chance to make new friends and learn from other music teachers in our area. Fifth and sixth graders have begun preparing at Stillwater and will be attending three rehearsals in the next two weeks. Everything then comes together for a large musical performance. This year's concert will be on Monday, March 14th. While tickets and audience capacity are still unknown, whoever gets to attend this concert will be pleased with the efforts and great music these students will provide. We are looking forward to the upcoming trips and are happy to be celebrating our love for music.

Sixth Grade Yearbook News:

The 6th-grade students have all received a biography form to fill out via Google Docs. Many students have already turned them in! Please remind your child to complete it ASAP and share it with Mrs. Riva. We are also asking all 6th-grade students to submit a baby photo for the yearbook. The picture can be brought in and given to Miss Radimer or Mrs. Riva. An adult can also email the picture to <a href="mailto:mai

Parents- If your child has lost a jacket, please have them check the lost and found by the stage in the cafeteria.

Volunteers Needed!

The Cafeteria Connections Club is in need of a few parent volunteers who would be willing to take recyclable bags/plastic from our Trex Plastic Recycling initiative to Newton. While we collect the plastic bags here, they need to be taken to Weis Markets in Newton to be recycled. All that would be required is that 1-2 times per week the plastic bags are picked up at school and brought to the Newton store. They can be loaded into a shopping cart and taken to our contact inside the store. If you are interested in helping, please contact Elaine Makarevich elaine.makarevich@stillwaterschool.net or Janet Mahedy janet.mahedy@stillwaterschool.net.

Nurse News:

SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL NURSES NEEDED

Must be a licensed RN with Substitute Nurse Certification.

Please contact Colleen Hurley for more details. 973-383-6171 ex: 216

<u>colleen.hurley@stillwaterschool.net</u>

Community Section - The following are NOT school sponsored events:

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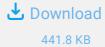


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Spirit Wear:

Below is the shopping link:

https://twentyfourink.com/collections/stillwater-school?ref=1fxdrrto0wui

STILLWATER SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR 2021-2022

online ordering



Stillwater PTA

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2021-2022 PTA Executive Board Officers

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Secretary- Christine Bello- stillwatertwppta@gmail.com

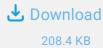
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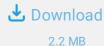
9 to 5 The Musical - March 3rd - March 5th, 2022





2022 Grow Garden State Flyer.pdf

The garden challenge is a way for individuals, families, and groups to grow food, share tips and ideas, and support gardening in our state.





Kittatinny Regional Strategic Planning Committee 2022 - Invitation Letter.pdf





Kittatinny Softball Flyer 2022.pdf

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