

Stillwater School Newsletter

February 11, 2022

Important Dates and Reminders:

Board of Education Meeting: 2/14 and 2/28 at 7 pm. Check the school website, under the Board Office Tab and Stillwater School Announcements, for more information.

2021-22 Yearbooks are on Sale:

IT'S A GREAT TIME
TO REMEMBER THE TIMES

From the first time they crack it open to decades later, when they read their friends' hand-written messages for the hundredth time – there's nothing in the world quite like a yearbook. Order today! Click on below link to order your Yearbook:

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/>

Student Council News:

Student Council has 2 fun events coming up! The first is the 100th Day Collection that we do each year and the other will be a canned food collection for "Souper" Bowl. Check out the below 2 flyers for more information:



Student Council 100 Day of School Parent Letter 2022.pdf

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Student Council SOUPer BOWL.pdf

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Preschool News:

The preschool classes enjoyed their study of SNOW. The children were so excited when it finally snowed, and they were able to experience the fun activities they were reading and singing about. During their study, the children worked on identifying story characters, setting, story problems and solutions. Story pictures were used to sequence the events of the stories read. Snowmen activities involved counting and number and shape recognition. The children had to identify numbers and add the corresponding number of buttons to their snowman. The children also had to identify and count shapes hidden in snowmen pictures. New vocabulary words were introduced such as: snow, melt, ice, hail, icicle, hibernate, migrate, sledding, precipitation, thermometer, snowflake, snowman, hot cocoa, mittens, scarfs, skates, boots, and coats. Creative snowmen were made using a variety of materials. Some of the materials used were Play-doh, paper plates, paint, Styrofoam and wooden beads. The children even transformed themselves into snowmen using dress-up clothes. When the snow was not available outside, the children created their own snow by experimenting with a product called "InstaSnow". The fake snow was used as a sensory center. A great culminating activity for our Snow Study was having a SNOW DAY in school where they played outside in the snow during their school day. Fun was had by all!

The children learned about Dr. Martin Luther King. Class activities helped the students to understand that we are all equal, we are all different and we need to celebrate our differences.

The children made predictions as to whether Punxsutawney Phil would see his shadow or not on Groundhog Day. They were thrilled with Phil's prediction of 6 more weeks of winter in the hopes there would be more snow to play in this winter!





First Grade News:

It's Groundhog's Day! The students in first grade learned how a groundhog's shadow can tell us if we will have six more weeks of winter or an early spring. They completed a Groundhog Glyph. The colorful groundhogs were created based on the child's birthday, favorite season, and snack.



Third Grade News:

In third-grade reading, we started our Character Study unit. In this unit, students are getting to know their characters. We will learn about their traits, feelings, changes, motivations, and challenges. Students will read multiple books throughout the unit and meet many characters. Students were able to visit the library and brought home a book. Third graders are always encouraged to read daily to build fluency and comprehension.

In writing, we are working on writing opinions that are supported by reasons and examples. We started the unit by reading, [I Wanna Iguana](#) by Karen Kaufman Orloff. We discussed what pet would be the best to have and why. Students went on an opinion scavenger hunt around the classroom and wrote their likes, favorites, and dislikes on posters. We have had many conversations about our opinions on topics. We are learning multiple strategies to create well-developed and strong opinions supported by reasons and examples. The classes will be working towards their goal for opinion

writing, which will be to type three to five well-developed paragraphs on a given opinion writing prompt.

Keep up the hard work third graders... we are proud of you!



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 maureen.riva@stillwaterschool.net or meghan.radimer@stillwaterschool.net!

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.



Dental Health Month.pdf

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Community Section - The following are NOT school sponsored events:

PTA Information:



Valentine's Bingo - PTA.pdf

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PTA Valentines for Sale!

The sale will be during lunch periods 2/14 - 2/16 for \$1.00 each.

Not a school-sponsored event.



The Stillwater PTA needs your help showing our students some love during the Valentine's Sale running 2/14, 2/15 and 2/16. Not a school sponsored event!

extra sweet!



The Daddy Daughter Dance planned for February will be rescheduled for the spring.



PTA Board Vacancies 22-23.pdf

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2021.2022 Tricky Tray Donation Letter.pdf

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Spirit Wear:

Below is the shopping link:

<https://twentyfourink.com/collections/stillwater-school?ref=1fxdrro0wui>

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SPIRIT WEAR 2021-2022

online ordering

ITEMS AVAILABLE
T-SHIRTS
HOODED SWEATSHIRTS
WATER BOTTLES
BAGS AND MORE

GO TO:
[TWENTYFOURINK.COM/COLLECTIONS/STILLWATER-SCHOOL](https://twentyfourink.com/collections/stillwater-school)

Stillwater PTA

Please check this section of the newsletter weekly for PTA news, updates and special events*

You can also visit our websites at <https://stillwatertwp.memberhub.com>

Like us on Facebook: "Stillwater Twp. PTA"

2021-2022 PTA Executive Board Officers

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Community Information:




Calling all Parents!!!

The Center for Prevention and Counseling's School Health Team is excited to invite all parents throughout the communities you serve to the 2022 Parents as Champions Training! The Center has provided this unique and engaging training to parents across Sussex, Warren, Essex, Bergen, Passaic, Morris, and Hudson county for over six years. This year, they are bringing it right to you via zoom! **This four-session** training will teach parents how a school system works and empower them to be a positive voice amongst their child's school community. Each parent who completes all four sessions will receive a **\$125 stipend** and the opportunity to apply for a **\$1,000 grant** to aid in implementing the project they create during the course. Some projects that have been successfully implemented in the past are; school gardens, outdoor classrooms, pet therapy programs, and staff wellness initiatives, to name a few. [Click here to register for this exciting opportunity today!](#)



PARENTS AS CHAMPIONS FOR HEALTHY SCHOOLS

Acquire the tools needed to make a difference in your child's school! Join us for an inspiring 4-session virtual training where PAC trainers guide participants through the process of how school districts operate, brainstorm areas for improvement amongst your school community in regards to health and wellness, and discuss best practices to be an effective parent leader!

-  **MARCH 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022**
-  **6:00-8:00 PM**
-  **VIA ZOOM**

Limited Seats

Free Training and Supplies



\$125 Stipend

will be awarded to each parent that completes all 4 sessions of the training

\$1,000 Grant Opportunity

Each team will be given the opportunity to apply for a grant of up to \$1,000 to promote a healthy school climate



[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)
OR BY CONTACTING ASHLEY CAINE: ASHLEY@CENTERFORPREVENTION.ORG



Chris Herren Community Presentation Flier.pdf

On March 16, at 7 pm, Lenape Valley will host Chris Herren, as our guest speaker. The program is free and open to anyone.

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Schoolhouse Rock Jr Flyer.pdf

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Boogie Flyer.pdf

THE GROWING STAGE – The Children’s Theatre of New Jersey

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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.

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Parent Training ARC.pdf

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Kittatinny Regional Strategic Planning Committee 2022 - Invitation Letter.pdf

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Kittatinny Youth Lacrosse Club is currently having free Sunday clinics at the Fredon Civic Center for both boys and girls. Boys K-8th grade are from 10 to 11:30 am and girls K-8th grade are from 11:30 am to 1 pm. No gear is necessary for clinics. Come try it out and see if this great sport is for your child(ren). No signup is necessary, just show up ready to have fun. If you have any questions, email us at kittatinnylax@gmail.com. Sign up for the spring season at kittatinnylax.com. Be part of the fastest-growing sport in America for the past 10 years.

KITTATINNY LACROSSE



Spring Registration is NOW!!!!

The Fastest Growing Sport in Sussex County
Kittatinny Youth Lacrosse Club would like to invite all Sussex
County Residents in grades K-8 to join our lacrosse family.

- ✓ Boys And Girls Teams Available
- ✓ Spring Registration 2022 is Now Open!!!!
- ✓ Early Bird Specials through Jan. 30th, 2022
- ✓ See special pricing for certain teams
- ✓ Sibling Discount

To find out more or to register, visit us at
www.kittatinnylax.com or search **Kittatinny Youth Lax** on
Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



This is not a school sponsored activity

KITTATINNY LACROSSE



FREE Lacrosse Clinic



Clinics are held indoors at:
Fredon Rec Center on Route 94 in Fredon, NJ

Sundays - (Thru Feb. 27, 2022)

- ✓ Boys K-8 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM
- ✓ Girls K-8 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

 **Bring a friend!**

Questions about clinic or sessions, contact
KittatinnyLax@gmail.com or our Facebook page
KittatinnyLax.



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Kittatinny Softball Flyer 2022.pdf

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Kittatinny Little League 2022 Registration Flyer.pdf

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Kittatinny Travel Baseball 2022 Flyer.pdf

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DISTRICT FD VOLUNTEERS.pdf

Volunteers needed: Junior & Regular FD members, EMT & EMR. See pdf for more information. Thank you!

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Fairview Lake YMCA Community Programs - 2022.pdf

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Fairview Lake YMCA Summer Camp Brochure.pdf

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Sussex County YMCA:

Current Program Offerings!



YMCA Kids Night Out Flyer.pdf

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2022 YMCA Summer Camp Flyer.pdf

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Girl Scout Information:

Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey, which serves girls in Bergen, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren counties, will "Press Play" with an exciting start to the 2022 Winter Season.

Winter Wonderland at Home will consist of five weeks of virtual activities. It will be a great new event for girls who are interested in joining Girl Scouts and are currently in Kindergarten through fifth grade. This program is for girls who are new and are not yet Girl Scout members and is also open to Girl Scouts who'd like to renew their membership.

Girls will focus on the foundation of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience while having lots of fun and making new friends.

They will receive a special activity box filled with lots of activities to do at each session. Boxes can be picked up at our drive-thru pickup at our Riverdale Service Center on Saturday, January 8th from 12-2pm. Click on the below PDF for more information.



Girl Scouts Winter Wonderland @ Home 2022.pdf

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