Stillwater School Newsletter

January 21, 2022

Important Dates and Reminders:

Board of Education Meeting: 1/24 at 7 pm. Check the school website, under the Board Office Tab and Stillwater School Announcements, for more information.

2022 Yearbook goes on Sale this Sunday! Click on this YEARBOOK link to purchase online beginning 1/23/22. Cost is \$22.00.

Breakfast and Lunch Menus:

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

First Grade News:

First grade has been hard at work in writing workshop. The students have been working on writing small moment stories from their lives. They have been excited to write and share stories about all of the exciting things that they have done. The students are learning how to bring their stories to life by making their characters move in both their pictures and words. We are looking forward to celebrating all of their hard work at the end of this unit with a writing celebration!

Fourth Grade English Language Arts and Social Studies:

This winter, fourth-grade students are working hard to develop essays. We have been reading nonfiction articles and analyzing the text in our writing. In Social Studies, students have been digging into interesting New Jersey history and discovering amazing events from long ago.

Fifth Grade News:

Fifth graders are enthusiastically learning about the colonization of America in Social Studies. Colonial America was a time in history that provided many new and exciting opportunities for many people. While students are learning facts related to this time in history, they are also strengthening their literacy skills. We began our unit by reading the novel, <u>Blood on the River</u> by Eliza Carbone. Students were able to learn the history of Jamestown through characters that they connected with. From there they learned about the thirteen colonies and the regions that the colonies were located in. Students used an interactive website to test their knowledge on the location of each colony and our quickest time achieved was 16 seconds! We then delved deeper into Colonial America and learned about the daily lives of the colonists. This week, students began a new project where they are tasked with advertising a colony to prospective settlers from England. People settled in specific colonies for a variety of reasons including different job opportunities, climate, geography, and freedom of religion. It is up to the students to highlight these reasons in a billboard that will entice new settlers.

Sixth Grade News:

In 6th-grade Ancient Civilizations classes they are currently studying Ancient Egypt! Students were given a choice on a research project to culminate all of their learning. Students are diving in deeper to find out how mummies are made, why Egyptians began making mummies and their spiritual beliefs of the afterlife, specific biographies on a pharaoh of choice, the mummy's curse, and many more! The students will present their findings in small groups with their different topics when they are completed. Students are each designing their own death mask sarcophagus to put their writing within. They are coming out very well so far! Combining artistic creativity and research makes this a great activity that has been a popular one for 6th graders here for many years!

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:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:mailto: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

Nurse News:

COVID VACCINE UPDATE.... Please be sure to send in your child's vaccine record after the 2 nd dose is completed. This will help us during contact tracing. Thank you. If you are looking for vaccination locations, please refer here:

COVID vaccine finder: https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/finder

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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

colleen.hurley@stillwaterschool.net

Community Section - The following are NOT school sponsored events:

PTA Information:

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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Community Information:



DISTRICT FD VOLUNTEERS.pdf

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





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Tis' The Season to Clean Closets!

Donate to The Kittatinny Players' Annual Clothing Drive!



Items Accepted:

Men's Clothing
Women's Clothing
Kid's Clothing
Bedding (Comforters, Sheets, Blankets)
Towels
Pillows
Stuffed Animals
Belts, Handbags
Shoes (must be bagged separately)
Bicycles

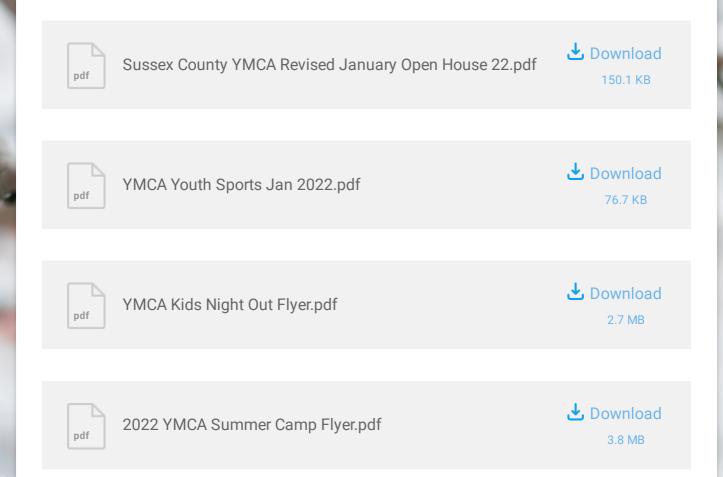
Monies raised from this Clothing Drive will support the Kittatinny Players, and all clothing/items will be donated to needy families in NJ by the organization collecting them.

Win-Win!

Items may be dropped off at the KRHS Auditorium from
January 3rd - January 22nd, 2022

Mondays-Fridays from 2:30-5:30pm & Saturdays from 8-11am
(Deadline is 9am Sharp on 1/22/22!)

Sussex County YMCA:



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



Shawnee Mountain NEW 4th Grade Snow Pass program for this winter!

Click on the below link for more information:

https://www.shawneemt.com/tickets-rentals/4th-grade-snow-pass/

