

# Stillwater School Newsletter

December 3, 2021

## Important Dates and Reminders:

Board of Education Meeting: 12/13 & 1/3 at 7 pm. Check the school website, under the Board Office Tab and Stillwater School Announcements, for more information.



Stillwater School  
**HOLIDAY**  
Spirit  
**WEEK**

Student Council



**20**  
DEC  
**Crazy Hat Day**  
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE HAT OR HEAD WEAR  
(SANTA HAT, REINDEER ANTLERS, WINTER HAT)

**Holiday Wear**  
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE HOLIDAY OR CHRISTMAS WEAR.

**21**  
DEC

**22**  
DEC  
**Holiday Movie Day**  
DRESS UP LIKE A CHARACTER FROM YOUR FAVORITE  
DECEMBER HOLIDAY MOVIE.

**Pajama Day!!!**  
TWO DAYS TILL CHRISTMAS!  
WEAR YOUR MOST COMFORTABLE PJS!

**23**  
DEC

Made with PosterMyWall.com

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

## **Breakfast and Lunch Menus:**

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

## **Preschool News:**

Preschool students are wrapping up the Tree Study and are ready to begin investigating our next study about Lights! Our first focus question in the study is, "What kind of lights are around us?" We will be investigating natural vs. artificial light, shadows, whether objects are translucent, transparent, or opaque, and what it means to reflect or refract light! You might want to have some flashlights on hand to continue these investigations at home! The Light Study is perfectly timed with the Holiday Season. Be sure you take your little learner to discover all holiday lights in the Stillwater community!

## **Preschool Gross Motor Class News:**

Phew! We have been moving so much in our Preschool Gross Motor class. The students have been practicing all their movement skills these past couple of months. They are running, hopping, skipping, galloping, marching, and learning how to move in an open space. Our classes are full of games, actions, and dancing. The preschoolers enjoy playing outside as much as possible, so please pack warm coats, hats, and mittens.

## **Second Grade News:**

What an exciting few weeks we have had in Second Grade! Students have been working hard in both Reading and Writing over the last several weeks and it was time to celebrate their accomplishments! Children became non-fiction experts in Reading and shared their gift of knowledge with others by creating and presenting an Expert Museum! The students did such a wonderful job reading several books on one topic and putting together the information they learned to "grow knowledge!" In Writing, Second Graders have become accomplished narrative writers and chose one small moment story to publish and share with others. We couldn't be more proud of our accomplishments!



## **Fourth Grade News:**

Students have been exploring the science of weathering and erosion to understand how Earth's surface changes. Students learned about different types of rock by taking a crayon through the rock cycle. Along the journey, the "rock" experienced many natural forces such as wind and water that caused the crayon rock to change significantly. We will continue our exploration of weathering and erosion through several hands-on activities in the upcoming weeks.

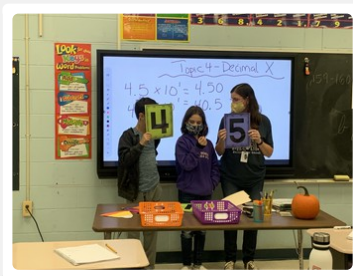
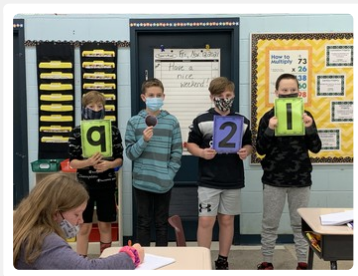
## Music News:

Music News: Happy Holidays! This year's Winter Concert will be taking place on Thursday, December 9th (snow date: Tuesday, December 14th). To help with keeping students and families healthy, the schedule will look different this year, but allow for in-person performances! The second grade will be singing at 1:30 and the fourth grade will perform at 2:10. Sixth grade, Advanced Band and Select Choir will perform in the evening beginning at 7:00 pm. Guests are limited to two adults and siblings for each student performing. Concerts will also be recorded for families and friends to watch at a later date. All performances will take place in the Stillwater gym. An additional notice with information has been sent home with students involved. A form for recording permission has also been sent home with students. Please return this form if you do not wish for your child to be recorded. We hope to see you there to start off the holiday season!

## Fifth Grade News:

During the Writing Workshop, students have been learning all the components of an Opinion Essay. Together through shared writing, classes drafted an essay on a topic they voted for: Christmas is the best holiday. Fifth graders are learning that an opinion essay has a strong claim in the introduction, three reasons to support their claim for the body paragraphs, and a concluding paragraph to summarize the essay. Next, they will be composing an essay independently on a topic of their choice!

In math, we have been working on the multiplication of decimals to hundredths using the standard algorithm. Students have learned to use patterns to place the decimal point when a decimal is multiplied by a power of 10. They will apply this understanding of place value to estimate decimal products to check their work. Keep practicing multiplication facts to improve fact fluency and accuracy when multiplying numbers with decimals.



## Sixth Grade Yearbook News:

One of our Stillwater Yearbook traditions is to have each 6th-grade student write a small biography for the yearbook. The 6th-grade students will have their current school picture, a baby photo and a biography in the yearbook. The students will be receiving a biography form to fill out in school in the next few weeks. Please remind them to complete it once it is received. 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](mailto:maureen.riva@stillwaterschool.net) or [meghan.radimer@stillwaterschool.net](mailto:meghan.radimer@stillwaterschool.net)!

## **Nurse News:**

Vaccines are now available for children ages 5-11  
Please see the attached link to find a location near you!  
[NJ Vaccine Appointment Finder](#)

December Fun Facts:

The December flower is narcissus.  
The December birthstone is turquoise, which means prosperity.  
The first day of Winter is December 21st.  
The astrological signs are Sagittarius and Capricorn.  
At the North Pole the sun does NOT rise in December!

### **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](mailto:colleen.hurley@stillwaterschool.net)

**Community Section - The following are NOT school sponsored events:**

## **Stillwater PTA INFORMATION:**



## Stillwater PTA Holiday Vendor Fair:

Vendor Fair is being held on December 4th, 2021 from 10 am to 3:30 pm at: Stillwater Township School 904 Stillwater Road Stillwater, NJ 07875.

Questions: reach out to either Kami Pogue [kamipogue@gmail.com](mailto:kamipogue@gmail.com) or Gina Capano [ginacapano1126@gmail.com](mailto:ginacapano1126@gmail.com)

"Not a School Sponsored Event"



HOLIDAY SHOP.pdf

Annual Holiday Shop December 14-16th. Click on the PDF for more information.



Download

370.1 KB



PTA Family Fun Night Dec.docx

December 16th, 6 pm - 8 pm. Click on the document for more information.



Download

120.0 KB

## Sixth Grade Class Fundraiser:

**SHOP FRESH ROASTED COFFEE & GOURMET SNACKS**

30% of your purchase will support the Sixth Grade Class of 2022.

Dear Parents and Families:

The 6th Grade Class is ready to kick off our 1st Big School Wide Fundraiser of the year! We request that each student participate in the fundraiser and ask families to help with the our campaign. Please sell to friends, family and people at your work. Historically, fundraisers have raised a lot of money for the 6th grade end of year party celebration, and we are very excited to fundraise this with all of you and have your support!

The fundraiser we are hosting will be:



We will be selling items from Coffee, Tea, Yummy Hot Chocolate as well as some syrups, honey sticks etc.

There is a form attached here that will have an order form on the back and show you all the great options to purchase and sell. Below is a link you can send out to friends and family near or far who would want to purchase as well to help support us!

<https://www.drivencoffeefundraising.com/ref/stillwater-class-of-2022/>

There is also an amazing feature with us selling this product for all orders that are **NOT** online sales, we were able to create our own logo to put on each bag of tea and coffee! So get your **EXCLUSIVE** bag today! Check it out:



**Also there is more, The Student that sells the most will win a prize! The homeroom that sells the most will win an ice cream party!**




All monies collected should be sent by Venmo, Cash, or by check made payable to 6th Grade Recognition Fund. Checks should be back packed to school to attention: Mrs Steffens Homeroom: Dexton Morgan/Christine Casper no later than Friday November 8th. The QR code above will lead you to our Linktree Page

We appreciate your help in making this fundraiser a success.

**Thank you! 6th Grade Recognition Fund Committee**

THIS IS NOT A SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT!



<p><b>CRAFT COFFEES, BEVERAGES &amp; SNACKS</b> <b>\$16.00</b></p> <p><i>Coffees roasted fresh to order in small batches to assure you get the best cup of coffee. Coffee arrives in 12oz reusable bags.</i></p>	<p><b>Ground House Blend</b> <i>Brazilian, Mexican, and Colombian</i></p>  <p><b>Light Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>Our signature blend is a bold powerhouse that is sure to delight even the most refined palate.</p>	<p><b>Scandinavian Blend</b> <i>Brazilian and Mexican</i></p>  <p><b>Medium Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>A well balanced blend of Mexican and Brazilian beans for a warm, earthy, and smoky cup. Available ground or whole bean.</p>		
<p><b>Ground French Roast</b> <i>Mexican</i></p>  <p><b>Dark Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>This timeless French Roast has been a staple coffee for years. Dark roasted to perfection.</p>	<p><b>Ground Highlander Grogg</b> <i>Brazilian</i></p>  <p><b>Medium Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>A mix of butterscotch, cream, caramel, and vanilla flavors that will bring out the highlander in you!</p>	<p><b>Ground Vanilla Hazelnut</b> <i>Brazilian</i></p>  <p><b>Light Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>A creamy and oh so satisfying combination of roasted hazelnut and vanilla flavors.</p>	<p><b>Ground Chocolate Turtle</b> <i>Brazilian</i></p>  <p><b>Medium Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>A rich combination of chocolate, caramel, pecan, and vanilla flavors added to our finest Brazilian beans.</p>	
<p><b>Prairie Passion Tea</b> <i>Loose Leaf Tea - No Sachets Included</i></p>  <p><b>3 oz. Bag</b></p> <p>A delicious blend of black tea and green tea with papaya, passion fruit, rose hip peels, and sunflower.</p>	<p><b>Driven Hot Cocoa Mix</b></p>  <p><b>12 oz. Bag</b></p> <p>Cocoa blend with just the right amount of sugar, real vanilla, and real chocolate for a rich treat.</p>	<p><b>Breakfast Blend K-Cups</b> <i>Brazilian and Mexican</i></p>  <p><b>Light Roast</b> &gt;&gt;&gt;</p> <p>Our classic breakfast blend, now with the convenience of recyclable K-Cups. 12K-Cups per box.</p>	<p><b>Driven Craft Syrups</b></p>  <p><b>3-4 oz Bottles</b></p> <p>Our handcrafted vanilla, chocolate, and caramel syrups are the perfect addition to any beverage.</p>	
<p><b>Hokey Pokey Gourmet Mix</b></p>  <p><b>12 oz. Bag</b></p> <p>Gourmet caramel corn with cashews, almonds, and pecans. A snack that is second to none.</p>	<p><b>Caramel Apple Corn</b></p>  <p><b>12 oz. Bag</b></p> <p>Gourmet caramel corn with bits of apple and cinnamon give this treat the perfect flavor.</p>	<p><b>HONEY STICKS</b> <b>\$12.00</b></p> <p><i>We've partnered with a local apriary to provide exceptional honey products.</i></p>	<p><b>Wildflower Honey Sticks</b></p>  <p><b>16 Straws</b></p> <p>Delicate wildflower honey packaged in easy to use straws. A great healthy snack or addition to any beverage.</p>	<p><b>Assorted Honey Sticks</b></p>  <p><b>16 Straws</b></p> <p>Blue Raspberry, Peach, Pink Lemonade, and Sour Green Apple flavored honey sticks are a perfect zero-fat snack.</p>

## Spirit Wear:

Below is the shopping link:

<https://twentyfourink.com/collections/stillwater-school?ref=1fxdrto0wui>

# STILLWATER SCHOOL

## 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

President- Amanda Gilmore- [stillwaterptapresident@gmail.com](mailto:stillwaterptapresident@gmail.com)

Vice President - Matt Bello- [stillwatertwpppta@gmail.com](mailto:stillwatertwpppta@gmail.com)

Treasurer - Kami Britt-Pogue- [treasurerstillwaterpta@gmail.com](mailto:treasurerstillwaterpta@gmail.com)

Secretary- Christine Bello- [stillwatertwpppta@gmail.com](mailto:stillwatertwpppta@gmail.com)





## Tree Lighting.pdf

Fairview Lake YMCA Tree Lighting 12/3 from 6 - 8 pm. Free event.  
Click on PDF for more information.

Download

339.8 KB



 Stillwater Township  
**Tree Lighting Ceremony**  
**Fri., December 10th • 6 to 8 PM**  
**COMMUNITY CENTER**  
*(Stillwater Fire House 2 • Swartswood)*

**DECORATE THE TREE • WRITE TO SANTA**  
**HOT CHOCOLATE • COFFEE**  
**TREATS**  
**WEAR YOUR UGLY SWEATER**  
**OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

[www.stillwatertownshipnj.com](http://www.stillwatertownshipnj.com)  
PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING

### Stillwater Recreation Gift Wrap Event

Bring your packages, paper and tape and we will wrap your gifts for you for FREE!

Drop off or wait

**Date:** 12/11/21

**Time:** 10:00 – 3:00pm

**Location:** Township Community Center  
931 Swartswood Rd. Newton NJ 07860

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



## Volunteers Needed!

The Recreation Commission is looking for township volunteers to volunteer some time to assist in a gift-wrapping event at the township community center.

Date: 12/11/21

Location: Stillwater Community Center

Time: 10:00-3:00pm

Please contact Tim Reilly with availability of times to volunteer. Any assistance is appreciated.

Email: [treilly@pcti.tec.nj.us](mailto:treilly@pcti.tec.nj.us)

Cell: 201-450-7666

MERRY  
CHRISTMAS



## 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/>



Breakfast With Santa 2021.pdf

Stillwater Volunteer Fire Department-Breakfast with Santa 12/12, 8 am - 11 am. Click on pdf for more information.

 Download

156.1 KB

## Camp Auxilium 2021 Dinner with Santa event and Drive Thru Christmas Lights!

Below is the flyer and ticket order form in PDF format. Also attached is a copy of the letter to Santa format; this includes a place for an email address so Santa can respond to each child.

The dinner will be Thursday, December 9th from 6 – 8 PM. Santa will be here to take pictures with the children, everyone can enjoy a delicious Italian dinner, mail their letters to Santa and can pre-view the Drive-Thru Christmas Lights. Open to the public between 6 – 9 PM, Friday, December 10 – Sunday, December 12th.



Santa and Drive Thru Christmas Lights flyer for schools.pdf

[Download](#)  
647.4 KB



Dinner with Santa and Drive Thru Lights Order Form.pdf

[Download](#)  
352.0 KB



Letter to Santa for jpg.pdf

[Download](#)  
282.2 KB

## Girls Scouts of Northern New Jersey Information:

Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey, which serves girls in Bergen, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren counties, is kicking off the Fall season with an exciting new event for girls who are interested in joining Girl Scouts and are currently in kindergarten through 3rd grade. This Girl Scouts Fall Fun Days will be 4 weeks of virtual activities. They will focus on the foundation of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience while having lots of fun and making new friends. This program is for girls who are new and are not yet Girl Scouts. Girls will receive a kit filled with lots of activities to do at each session. Activity Kits can be picked up by families while spending an afternoon at our camp at Lake Rickabear in Kinnelon. See below flyer for more information:



Girl Scouts Membership.pdf

[Download](#)  
537.7 KB

The Stillwater-Fredon Wrestling Program is looking for people to take over and lead the new generation of future wrestlers. Please advise if you have interest in running the program. The program comes complete with new mats, uniforms, and a tremendous history of successful wrestlers. If you have interest, there will be assistance for a safe and positive program transition. Board positions, coaches, and parent volunteers are all needed and welcome. Please also reach out if your child will be interested in wrestling this year. With your help and leadership, we hope this program can continue to serve our youth and provide a solid foundation for Kittatinny High School Wrestling. Rene and Steve Dalling have given 13 years to this program and have children at the high school level. Please contact Rene Dalling Via email or cell- (973)-903-4975 or [rene.dalling@gmail.com](mailto:rene.dalling@gmail.com)

*\*This is NOT a School Sponsored Event*

Oh, the weather outside is frightful...

# Coat Drive



is collecting **NEW** winter coats for men and women experiencing a housing crisis.

**TO PARTICIPATE:**

Purchase a man's or woman's coat in size L, XL, or XXL from your favorite online retailer and have it shipped to our office at:

19 Church Street  
Newton, NJ 07860



But coats are so delightful!