# Stillwater School Newsletter

= NOVEMBER 19, 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.

#### **BREAKFAST AND LUNCH MENUS:**

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

### **KINDERGARTEN NEWS:**

The kindergarten classes have already learned quite a lot in the first 2 months of school. In math, they have completed all of the topics that focus on the numbers 0 - 10. They can identify, count, sequence, and write the numbers to 10. In addition, they can compare groups to determine which is greater and which is less. The children have also worked hard on the letters of the alphabet and producing each letter sound correctly. They have learned 2 dozen sight words and have practiced recognizing and reading color words. Our kindergarten classes have proudly finished the launch into the Reading Workshop and Writing Workshop. Each day the students practice what they learn in the workshop mini-lessons to help them become readers and writers. The month of November has also been filled with activities centered around Native Americans and Thanksgiving. During American Education week the children made a turkey to express what they were thankful for at Stillwater School. Of course, the kindergarten teachers are thankful for their students and wish each of them and their families a happy and healthy Thanksgiving.







## **FIRST GRADE NEWS:**

First grade has been busy learning about animals. As part of our animal unit, we have adopted a turtle from the Turtle Hospital in Florida. His name is Bubble Butt. On average sea turtles live around 80 - 100 years. Many of the turtles living at the hospital are non-releasable, which means they can no longer survive in the wild. The number one reason a sea turtle can never be released in the wild is a condition called bubble butt syndrome. This condition prevents sea turtles from being able to dive underwater, then they are unable to get food and avoid threats. Can you guess how I got my name? Did you know that there are 7 different species of sea turtles? Stay tuned for more updates on Bubble Butt in the coming weeks.



### 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 <a href="mailto:

## **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 will be sent home with students involved. We hope to see you there to start off the holiday season!

#### **CAFETERIA CONNECTION NEWS:**

Our Cafeteria Connection students emptied our TREX plastic film recycling bins today and weighed our first week's collection. They were so excited to tally 36.6 pounds of plastic film and bags that will not be going into a landfill! Thank you to all who participated this week!







# SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER / GUIDANCE NEWS – JEANNE SMETANA:

October was a busy month at Stillwater. During the Week of Respect, students emphasized respect for others and the community. For School Violence Awareness Week, students participated in and staff participated in creating individual gingerbread people to show the power of our diversity and inclusivity. Hundreds of individual cutouts were displayed around our school banner "Together We Can Make a Difference" in the cafeteria. Respect for others continued with anti-bullying lessons in classrooms and learning ways to be an upstander. All 6th-grade students participated in the Center For Prevention and Counseling's Annual Summit virtually. Through keynote presentations, messages from high school students, and skits our students were empowered to better understand the message "Together We Can Make A Difference." Summit Student Leaders have begun to work on our school Action Plan to make a positive and lasting difference to Stillwater School. Core Team has assisted with our service project for Benny's Bodega. The class that collects the most items for Benny's Bodega will be rewarded with an ice cream party.

#### **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

#### 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:

# STILLWATER PTA INFORMATION:

#### STILLWATER PTA HOLIDAY VENDOR FAIR:

Calling all crafters and direct sales representatives: The Stillwater PTA Holiday Vendor Fair wants you! This year's 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.

Spaces are still available for 25.00 each, 6' tables are available to rent for an additional 10.00. To sign up, reach out to either Kami Pogue <a href="mailto:kamipogue@gmail.com">kamipogue@gmail.com</a> or Gina Capano <a href="mailto:qinacapano1126@gmail.com">qinacapano1126@gmail.com</a>

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## SIXTH GRADE CLASS FUNDRAISER:

#### SHOP FRESH ROASTED COFFEE & GOURMET SNACKS

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

https://www.drivencoffeefundraising.com/ref/stillwater-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 self 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!



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:





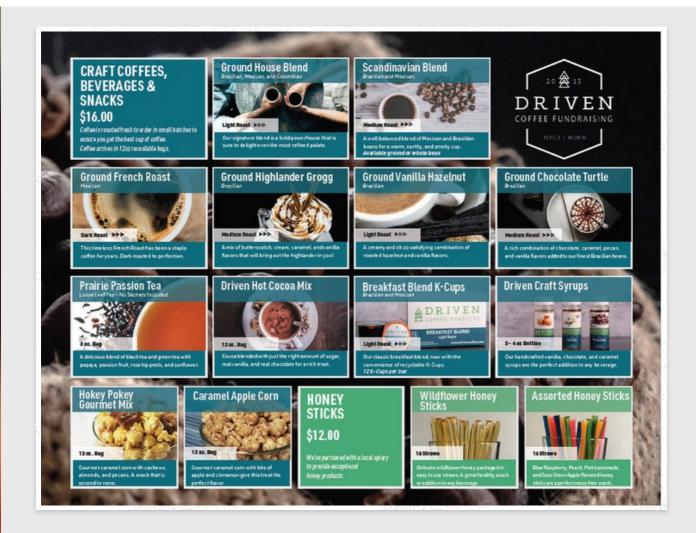
Also there is more, The Student that sells the most will win a prize!! The homeroom that sells the most will win an ice cream party!

All monies collected should be sent by Venmo, Cash, or by check made payable to 6<sup>th</sup> 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 Linktr.ee Page

We appreciate your help in making this fundraiser a success.

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

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## **SPIRIT WEAR:**

Below is the shopping link:

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



#### Stillwater PTA

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

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

Like us on Facebook: "Stillwater Twp. PTA" 2021-2022 PTA Executive Board Officers

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#### Stillwater Area Volunteer Fire Company

November 3 at 8:42 AM · §

It is getting close to that time of year again that we will be doing our FREE Thanksgiving meal program again. All you have to do is contact us and give us your address, phone number, and how many meals you are requesting to be delivered to your home and we will do all the cooking and deliver! We will be cooking and delivering on Wednesday November 24th in the evening. You can Private Message us on Facebook, leave a message on our answering machine at 973-383-1329 or email us at stillwaterfire@yahoo.com with the above requested information and we will put your address on our list with the number of meals requested. Please spread the word to our residents who may not be on facebook or the internet. Thank you for continuing to support us and help us give back to our residents!

Chief Steven Sugar

# 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/



#### KPBC Poinsettia Sale 2021-2022.pdf

Gorgeous Blooms to add that holiday touch to your home! Poinsettias make the perfect gift for Holiday gatherings!





#### Breakfast With Santa 2021.pdf

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



# 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.

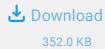


#### Santa and Drive Thru Christmas Lights flyer for schools.pdf





Dinner with Santa and Drive Thru Lights Order Form.pdf





Letter to Santa for jpg.pdf



# 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. She below flyer for more information:



Girl Scouts Membership.pdf



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

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