

# Stillwater School Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

## IMPORTANT DATES AND REMINDERS:

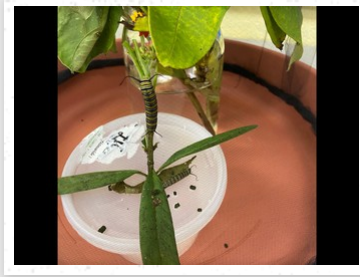
**Board of Education Meeting:** September 27 & October 12 at 7 pm. Check the school website, under Stillwater School Announcements, for more information.

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS:

The kindergarten classes are getting settled into the new school year! We have been establishing classroom routines and spending a lot of time becoming familiar with the Chromebooks. They know how to log in and find their Google classrooms. They also know how to go to useful websites like RAZ-Kids, Starfall and ABCya. The children also began sharing what makes their families and friends so special and they have completed some projects that show how unique and special they are. This week the kindergarten classes began learning about colors and the four seasons. The kindergarten teachers enjoyed seeing you at Back to School Night and wish everyone a wonderful school year!

## FIRST GRADE NEWS:

First grade is becoming familiar with classroom routines. We really enjoy seeing our friends and being back in school. Right now the students are enjoying our unit on butterflies and are observing the life cycle of the butterfly in our school garden. We recently found caterpillars in the garden and are looking forward to observing them change into butterflies!



## SECOND GRADE NEWS:

Second-grade readers are beginning to grow like beanstalks. Previewing a book, deciding HOW a book wants to be read, and scooping words into phrases are some of the strategies they have been working on to improve their skills. Ask a Second Grader what reading stamina means. They will be excited to tell you that each day they are reading for a longer period of time, even when their minds and bodies want to stop! We can't wait to see how much they grow as readers this year! The sky's the limit!

## FIFTH GRADE NEWS:

Fifth graders are working on their first writing unit developing Personal Narratives. These are stories about true events that really happened. We have started generating seed ideas and will be working to stretch them into stories with a beginning, middle and end. We are sharing memories, creating story maps, and making lists to get our ideas flowing. Students will work through the writing process and eventually publish a piece of writing of their choice!

During Math Workshop, students are beginning unit one with understanding patterns with exponents and powers of 10. They have learned that the exponent is the number that tells us how many times a base number is used as a factor. They will also begin working with decimals to thousandths. They will use their understanding of place value to read and write decimals using words, standard form, and expanded form with fractions. Lastly, they will compare and round decimals using the place value system.

We are having a great time learning and growing in the 5th Grade!


# GREEN THUMBS WANTED!

## Stillwater Schoolyard After-School Garden Club

Students in 6th grade are invited to sign up for an after-school garden club that will meet throughout the fall season! If you are interested in joining others to help make our growing season in our garden space a success, then the Garden Club is the right place for you! Click on the attachment for more information and the sign-up form!



Garden Club Sign Up Form.pdf

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## NEWS FROM SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER:

I am happy to report that the 2021-2022 School Year is off to a great start! I believe in building a strong partnership between home and school to develop your child's strengths and to assist them with any challenges they may have. As the school social worker, I am here to support all students' social, emotional, and academic development. If you feel your child is struggling, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. We will work together to ensure that your child is supported. Please feel free to reach out to me via email at [jeanne.smetana@stillwaterschool.net](mailto:jeanne.smetana@stillwaterschool.net) or through the CST office at 973-383-3998.

Through the support of Stillwater's Core Team and our partnership with the Center For Prevention and Counseling, we will be kicking off **Week of Respect** October 4th - 8th with a year-long campaign "**Together We Can Make A Difference.**" Throughout the Week of Respect, Stillwater Students will be encouraged to emphasize ways in which we respect others and our community. All students and staff will be showing our respectful school spirit by participating in themed spirit days. Our very first service project **Helping Manville** has been a huge success thanks to Mrs. Bird. Our school has collected donations to assist the community of Manville to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Ida.

We are also very excited to announce that all of our 6th-grade students will participate in a virtual Positive School Climate Summit. The Summit makes a positive and lasting difference as students learn leadership skills and techniques to make their school safe and inclusive.

## BUS SAFETY!

It is important for all children to follow safe bus stop procedures.

Please ensure that your child(ren)...

- are waiting 5 to 10 feet away from the road.
- do not approach the school bus until it has stopped completely and the door is open
- are well-behaved and alert while waiting

When on the bus...

- Wear your mask
- Sit in your assigned seat
- Keep your hands to yourself
- Open your window..Remember to put it back up when you leave the bus!
- It is also important that all children are displaying their best behavior on the school bus.  
We do not want our drivers to be distracted! School Rules = Bus Rules

### **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)

## **CLUBS ARE BACK!**


Good News...Clubs are back this school year! Miss Radimer and Mrs. Riva will be holding several clubs throughout the school year for students both before and afterschool! The clubs this fall will be: Fall Morning Fitness (Grades K-3), Fall Morning Fitness (Grades 4-6) and The Let's B-Social Club (Grades K-2). Be on the lookout for permission slips to come home in the next two weeks!

## **COMMUNITY SECTION - THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENTS:**



### **YMCA Columbus Day Vacation Camp Flyer.pdf**


Sussex County YMCA is offering a Vacation Camp at our facility in Hardyston on Columbus Day - Monday, October 11th!

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### **Fairview Lake Pig21.pdf**


Fairview Lake Pig Roast, Sunday, 10/3, 1-5 pm

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### **Kittatinny Youth Clinic.pdf**


Kittatinny Youth Lacrosse Clinic, 10/16, 4-6 pm

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### Clean Up Flyer Stillwater.docx

Stillwater Township invites residents, businesses, organizations & schools to join together for the 2021 Fall Paulins Kill Watershed CLEAN UP - 10/23

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The Cub Scout Pack 83 is focused on providing a platform for our youth to learn social skills, create adventures, and be involved with and learn how to give back to the community they live in. Stillwater Cub Scout Pack 83 is open to boys entering Grades K-5. Our final sign up and recruiting event before the year starts will be Friday September 17th at the community center from 6pm-8pm. Any questions please reach out to Robert Molinet 973-903-0637.

## STILLWATER PTA INFORMATION:

The Stillwater PTA has a lot of fun events planned for this school year. For insurance purposes, certain events such as the family fun nights, Daddy/Daughter Dance and such require at least one attendee within the family in attendance to be a PTA Member.

All of this information should have been sent home with families this week, including instructions on how to become a PTA Member.

We are here to tell you that if you or anyone you know in the community would like to be a PTA Member but are currently experiencing a hardship, please know that we are here to help!

Simply send us an email to [stillwatertwppta@gmail.com](mailto:stillwatertwppta@gmail.com) with the name of the individual you would like to have signed up within your family, and we will take care of the rest!


We want everyone to have the same opportunities and would never exclude anyone from these activities should they have a need for assistance. We understand that these times have caused many struggles and we are here to help.

A special shout out to the good samaritan who has donated 20 memberships to the people in our community, we thank you.



### Membership Drive Ice Cream.pdf

PTA 2021-2022 Membership Drive

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**Think your kids are too old to need your help at school?**

**When parents are involved ...**

Grades and test scores improve

◆

There are fewer discipline problems at home and school

◆

Kids are less likely to use tobacco, drugs or alcohol

◆

Middle school students are more likely to continue on and graduate from high school

◆

Kids are more likely to attend great colleges and universities

Stillwater Twp. School - 2021-2022 PTA Membership

Please print clearly - Thank you!

\$5 per member - Payments should be made to "Stillwater PTA" by cash or check

Member(s):

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to Stillwater Twp. School

Parent  Staff Member  Community Member  Other

\*\*\*My child(ren)(s) picture is allowed in social media and print

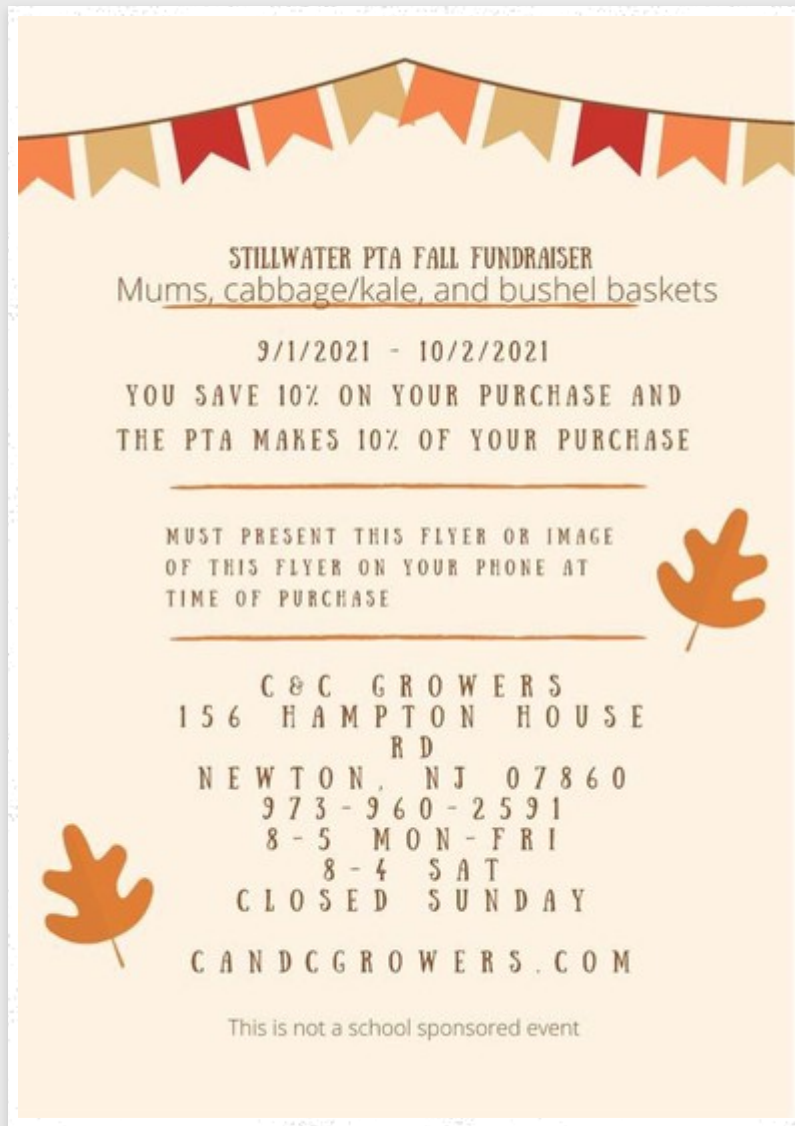
Yes  No

Thank you for supporting our annual PTA Membership Drive and making a difference in the educational experience for the children at Stillwater Twp. School!



Halloween Candy Bar Bingo.pdf  
 FRIDAY OCTOBER 15, 2021 6:00pm-8:00pm

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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 sell to friends, family and people at your work. Historically, fundraisers have raised a lot of money for the 6<sup>th</sup> 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 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 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!



**CRAFT COFFEES, BEVERAGES & SNACKS**  
\$16.00  
*Coffees roasted fresh to order in small batches to assure you get the best cup of coffee. Coffee arrives in 12oz reusable bags.*

**Ground House Blend**  
Brazilian, Mexican, and Colombian  
**Light Roast** >>>  
Our signature blend is a bold powerhouse that is sure to delight even the most refined palate.

**Scandinavian Blend**  
Brazilian and Mexican  
**Medium Roast** >>>  
A well balanced blend of Mexican and Brazilian beans for a warm, earthy, and snappy cup. Available ground or whole bean.

**2013 DRIVEN COFFEE FUNDRAISING MPLS | MINN**

**Ground French Roast**  
Mexican  
**Dark Roast** >>>  
This timeless French Roast has been a staple coffee for years. Dark roasted to perfection.

**Ground Highlander Grogg**  
Brazilian  
**Medium Roast** >>>  
A mix of butterscotch, cream, caramel, and vanilla flavors that will bring out the highlander in you!

**Ground Vanilla Hazelnut**  
Brazilian  
**Light Roast** >>>  
A creamy and oh so satisfying combination of roasted hazelnut and vanilla flavors.

**Ground Chocolate Turtle**  
Brazilian  
**Medium Roast** >>>  
A rich combination of chocolate, caramel, pecan, and vanilla flavors added to our fine of Brazilian beans.

**Prairie Passion Tea**  
Loose Leaf Tea - No Sachets Included  
**3 oz. Bag**  
A delicious blend of black tea and green tea with papaya, passion fruit, rose hip petals, and sunflower.

**Driven Hot Cocoa Mix**  
**12 oz. Bag**  
Cocoa blended with just the right amount of sugar, real vanilla, and real chocolate for a rich treat.

**Breakfast Blend K-Cups**  
Brazilian and Mexican  
**Light Roast** >>>  
Our classic breakfast blend, now with the convenience of recyclable K-Cups. 12 K-Cups per box.

**Driven Craft Syrups**  
**3 - 4 oz Bottles**  
Our handcrafted vanilla, chocolate, and caramel syrups are the perfect addition to any beverage.

**Hockey Pokey Gourmet Mix**  
**12 oz. Bag**  
Gourmet caramel corn with cashews, almonds, and pecans. A snack that is second to none.

**Caramel Apple Corn**  
**12 oz. Bag**  
Gourmet caramel corn with bits of apple and cinnamon give this treat the perfect flavor.

**HONEY STICKS**  
\$12.00  
*We've partnered with a local optery to provide exceptional honey products.*

**Wildflower Honey Sticks**  
**16 Sticks**  
Delicate wildflower honey packaged in easy to use straws. A great healthy snack or addition to any beverage.

**Assorted Honey Sticks**  
**16 Sticks**  
Blue Raspberry, Peach, Pink Lemonade, and Sour Green Apple Flavored honey sticks are a perfect mess-free snack.

## SPIRIT WEAR:

Below is the shopping link:

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

# 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"

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