Stillwater School Newsletter

September 17, 2021

Important Dates and Reminders:

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

Picture Day: September 24

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

Stillwater School will be collecting donations to help the community of Manville recover from the devastating aftermath of Hurricane Ida.

Items to Donate:

- -Food items that do not need to be heated
- -Water
- -Cleaning supplies (bleach, buckets, mops, cleaning gloves, disinfectant wipes, laundry detergent, sponges, etc.)
- -Toiletries (shampoo & conditioner, body wash, toilet paper, deodorant, razors, lotion, hair supplies, etc.)
- -Gift cards to Lowes, Home Depot, or Walmart

Bins will be located at the end of the hallway outside of Mrs. Pagano's classroom and the School Security Officer's Office. Gift Card Donations should be given directly to your homeroom teacher.

Our Donation Drive will run from Wednesday, September 15- Friday, September 24.

Fourth Grade - Language Arts News:

The fourth graders are off to a busy start this school year! We have already begun sharing books together, exploring new resources, developing mindfulness in our reading practice, and growing in our independent reading behavior. This month we will continue to explore new authors together and begin to build on our writing skills as we develop short answer responses to what we have read. It is sure to be a fun school year full of growth and great achievement!

Fifth Grade News:

Fifth graders are off to an exciting start to their school year. Their enthusiasm for learning has shone in their attitudes and work. This year we kicked off the year with our reading unit, "Getting to Know Ourselves as Readers." In this unit, students are learning how to self-advocate for themselves as readers so they can always get the most out of their reading, regardless of where they are. In writing, 5th graders are writing personal narratives and learning all the important elements in this type of writing. The students are loving writing about themselves and their adventures. This is going to be a great year for all students to thrive in 5th grade.

Sixth Grade News:

Sixth graders are off to a great start. It's hard to believe that this is their last year here at Stillwater Elementary. As we know all too well from years past, it is sure to fly by. We are excited to catch up with one another after a long summer break and hear about all of the wonderful things we've all been up to! Descriptive summer stories will be written in writing class in the coming weeks where we will be able to share more details with one another. In History, students are learning about the first civilizations in our world! Once a week, we will jump into the present to focus on current events that are happening locally, nationally, and globally! Here's to a great kick-off to the 6th-grade year ahead!

Let's Recycle!

Our cafeteria has been transformed this year - to help our students recycle! Stillwater School was awarded a \$10,000 grant through Sustainable Jersey for Schools and PSE&G to support our new recycling program in the cafeteria and our classrooms. The grant supports a student group, *The Cafeteria Connection*, which is made of students in Grades 4 & 6 who have volunteered to lead our recycling challenge! These students are committed to helping others make a difference by learning how to recycle materials properly. They will be responsible for assisting in the cafeteria during lunches and meeting once per month to plan school wide recycling events throughout the year! The advisors for the student group are Mrs. Makarevich and Mrs. Mahedy. We are looking forward to kicking off our new school year with a brighter future as we work together to reduce waste and recycle successfully!













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



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:

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.



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 11 AM - 1 PM

Flu Shots from Walgreens

Representatives from SNAP

Registered Dietician from Shop Rite

Winter Coats & Gear for Those in Need

Medical and Dental Resources from Zufall Health

Breast Health Resources from Public Health Nursing

Information on Housing Programs and Utility Assistance

FAMILY PROMISE OF SUSSEX COUNTY
19 CHURCH STREET, NEWTON, NJ 07860
973.579.1180 | WWW.FAMILYPROMISESUSSEX.ORG

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 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.





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 https://stillwatertwp.memberhub.com

Like us on Facebook: "Stillwater Twp. PTA"

2021-2022 PTA Executive Board Officers

President- Amanda Gilmore- stillwaterptapresident@gmail.com

Vice President - Matt Bello-stillwatertwppta@gmail.com

Treasurer - Kami Britt-Pogue- <u>treasurerstillwaterpta@gmail.com</u>

Secretary- Christine Bello- stillwatertwppta@gmail.com