

— November 2024 —

Plattekill Panther Press

Principal Monica Hasbrouck



CUBBY CORNER

- 11/7 - County Wide Emergency Drills—Early Release (15 minutes)
- 11/11 - No School for Veteran's Day
- 11/12 - PTA Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- 11/20 - Special BOE Goals Meeting @ PES @ 6:00 p.m.
- 11/20 - BOE Meeting @ PES @ 7:00 p.m.
- 11/22–11/25 - Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/26 - Parent/Teacher Conferences/Early Release @ 11:00 a.m.
- 11/27 - School Closed for Superintendent's Conference Day
- 11/28 - 11/29 - School Closed for Thanksgiving

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

We are approaching the end of the first marking period. Five week notices have already gone home. If, at any time, you have any questions please reach out to your child's teacher. You do not have to wait for a parent teacher conference. That being said, Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. through 3:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. through 8:15 p.m. Please contact the main office at 895-7250 if you have not scheduled your conference time.

This is the time of year for giving to those in need. We will be requesting food from each grade level to create Holiday boxes for families in need. Please consider donating if you have the means to do so. In December we will be running a Toy Drive. These toys will be donated to our families in need. If you are a family in need, please reach out to our Health Office and speak to Mrs. Medina. You should have a free and reduced food application on file with us. Those were due by 10/17/24; but we will still accept them. The district is participating in the lunch grant; however, if you are eligible these forms need to be submitted. Call the school at 845-895-7250 if you misplaced your form.

Please take the Thanksgiving weekend to remember what is most important. Enjoy your time with your family.

~Mrs. Hasbrouck

Early Dismissal Plan

In the event of a significant change in dismissal time due to weather or an unexpected problem, students/families will be notified via:

- **School Messenger** (To subscribe to text message alerts, text "Y" to 67587 from the cell phone that is on file with our school.)
- **Parent notification calling system** (Please make sure your emergency information is up to date with the main office.)
- **Website notifications**

The District has allocated eight emergency days as part of the 2024-2025 school calendar. Should the district exceed the number of emergency days allocated, we will pivot to remote instruction rather than close school for the day. Please note, we may also choose to use remote learning if one of our buildings must close due to unforeseen circumstances. We ask that all parent/guardians fill out the personal/device survey: [Personal Device Survey](#)

PBIS - Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

October was a very busy month at Plattekill. At the beginning of the month, we had our Fire Prevention Day. Students were taught about fire prevention with special thanks to the Plattekill Fire Department and Modena Fire & Rescue.

We had a week of School Spirit Activities including wearing red, tie-dye, crazy socks, hats and ended with Spirit wear.

This year Red Ribbon Week was held from October 21st through the 25th.

It is a week in which we incorporate Drug and Bullying Prevention. Students received bully free bracelets for Red Ribbon Week and attended



PTA News

Congrats to PTA member, Stephanie Gliedman for winning the family four pack of super bracelets donated by Minard's Family Farm! We are happy to report that after Fall Fest, our membership has grown to 229 PTA members. Our next PTA meeting will be Tuesday, November 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. We hope to see everyone there.

Fall Festival Recap: We had over 700 people attend our Fall Festival this year! Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA's effort to make this Fall Festival the best one yet.

Our "Nothing to Sell" fundraiser has concluded. Thank you to all those who participated in this fundraiser again this year. We hope our participants enjoy their prizes!

Scholastic Book Fair: Our fall book fair will be held 11/22, 11/25 & 11/26. Information will be sent home. We are looking for volunteers to work the book fair to help with set up and clean up. Please email plattekillpta@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or scan the volunteer QR code below.

Poinsettia Sale: We are thrilled to announce that we will be selling 6.5" potted poinsettias from Wallkill View Farms again this year. They are \$10 each and pick up will be the week of 12/2. Order forms will be sent home soon.

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Volunteer Interest Form

