



## MATAWAN-ABERDEEN CONNECTIONS

### CLIFFWOOD NEWSLETTER

December 1, 2024

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#### Message from Mrs. Cherence

Dear Cliffwood School Community,

We hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving, surrounded by family, friends, and all the things that bring joy to your heart. At Cliffwood, our students celebrated the holiday by sharing what they are thankful and grateful for. They also had a blast creating colorful balloons and marching the halls, spreading festive cheer for all to enjoy!

As we move into this week, we want to remind everyone that Parent-Teacher Conferences are taking place. If you haven't yet signed up for a time, please do so as soon as possible, or feel free to reach out directly to your child's teacher. These conferences are a valuable opportunity to strengthen the partnership between home and school, and we encourage all families to take part.

**Please note, we will have Early Dismissal this Tuesday, 12/3, and Wednesday, 12/4, for Parent-Teacher Conferences. Dismissal will be at 1:20 PM, so please plan accordingly.**

During Parent-Teacher Conferences, we will have the Lost and Found items on display. Please make sure to check it out, as we have a growing pile of lost items that are waiting to be claimed! In addition, we have our Holiday Shopping event this week, and the PTO is looking for volunteers to help the children shop. If you're able to lend a hand, please consider signing up for a slot. It's a wonderful way to support our students and bring some holiday cheer to their shopping experience. Finally, don't miss the **Aberdeen Christmas Tree Lighting** event this Thursday to kick off the holiday season! We invite all our Cliffwood students to join in and sing holiday songs at the event. Click [here](#) if you plan to have your child sing at the Aberdeen Tree Lighting. It's sure to be a magical night that you won't want to miss!

Wishing you all a joyful start to the holiday season!

Warmly,  
Mrs. Cherence, Principal



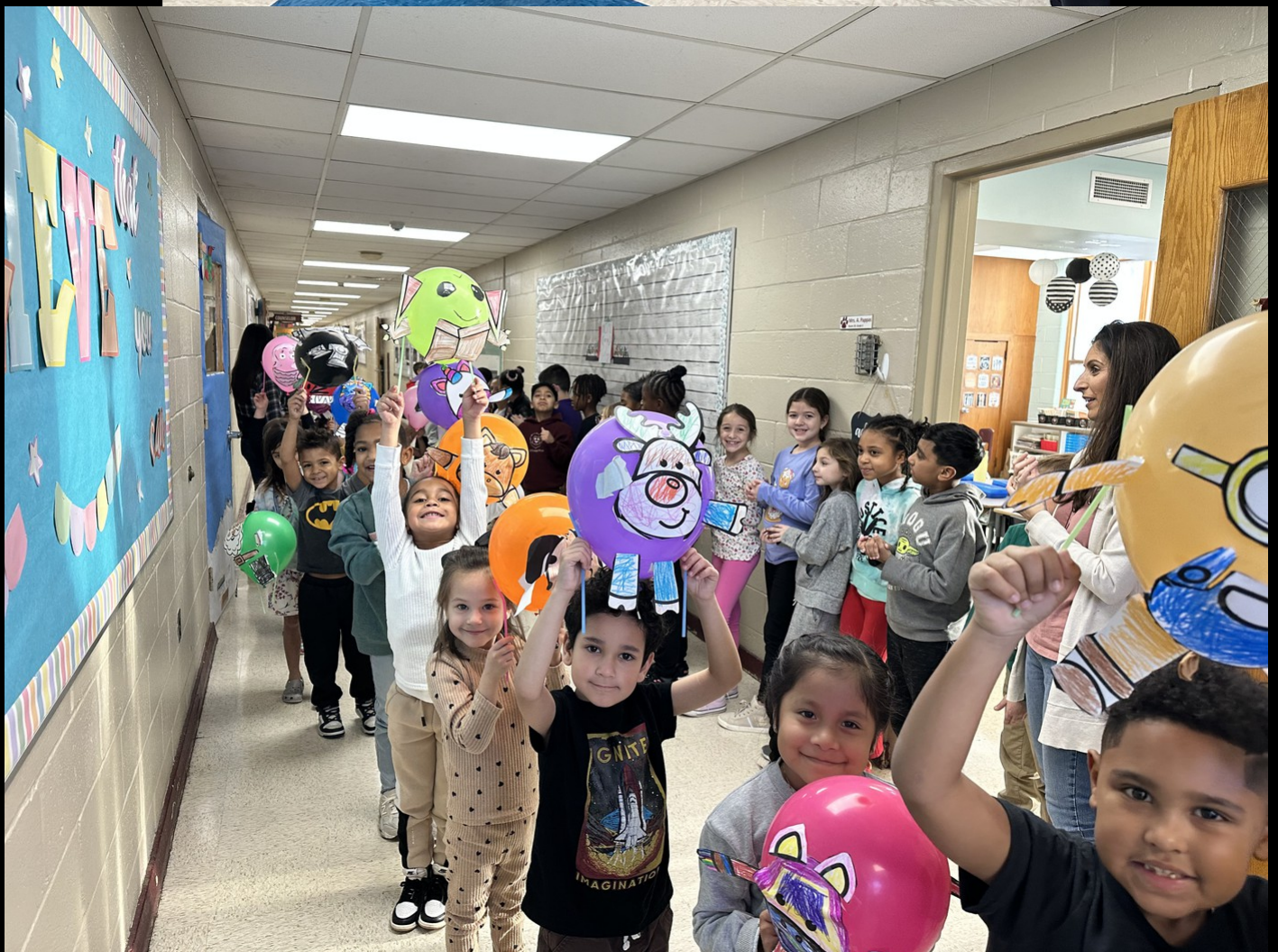
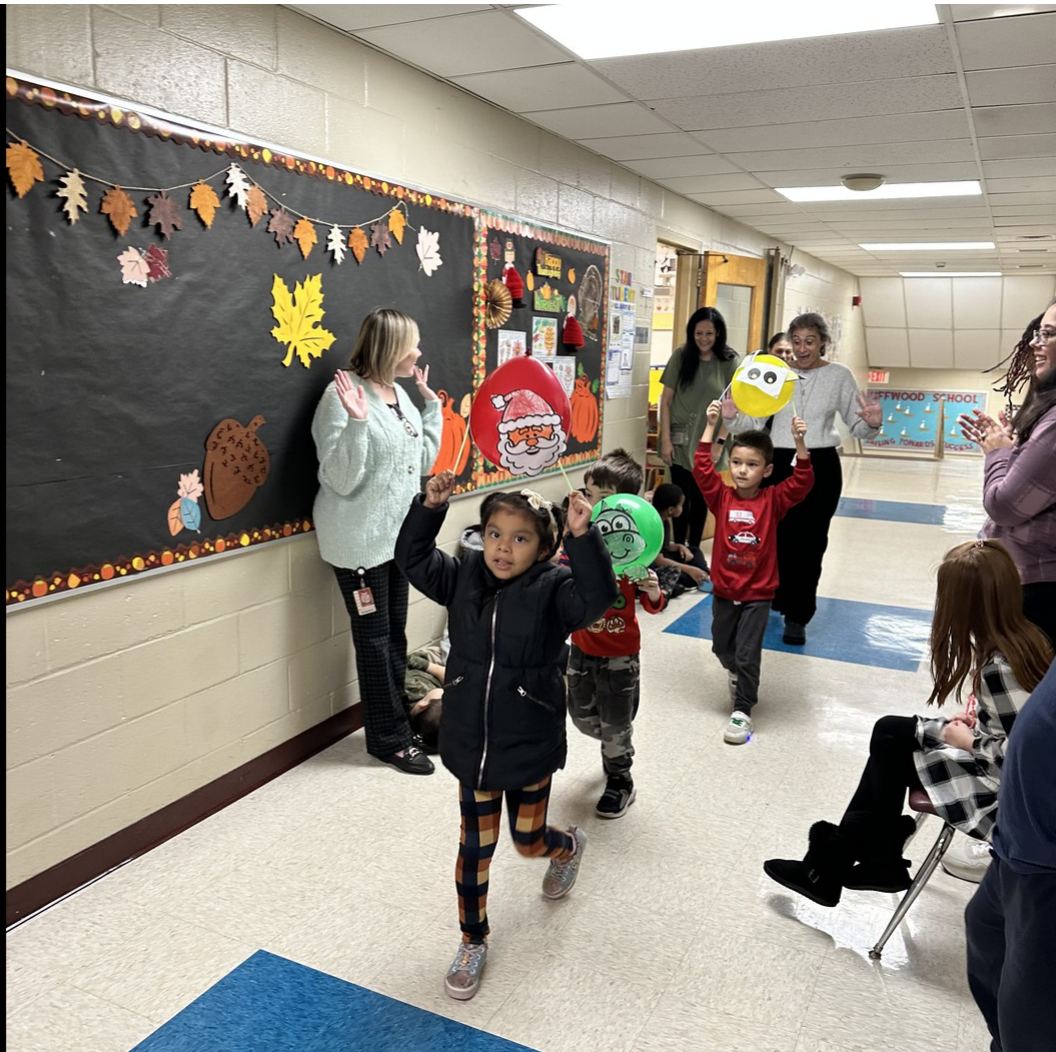
















Aberdeen Township Presents  
Our Annual

# Christmas Tree Lighting

Thursday, December 5  
6-8:30pm

at Town Hall  
One Aberdeen Square

Clydesdale Horse Wagon rides,  
free holiday treats, character meet  
& greets, interactive inflatables,  
a Christmas story reading by  
everyone's favorite mouse, Mickey,  
fire pits & s'more making station,  
musical performance by Cliffwood  
Elementary, specialty coffee truck  
and more!!

Santa to arrive around 7pm

Save the Date! Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences 12/3 Afternoon, 12/4 Evening  
Portal is open for Conferences. Please read the [Parent/Teacher Conference Letter](#) for important information.

# Cliffwood PTO- Stay In The Know

## December- Menu


Link to the [Menu](#)

December 2024


Cliffwood ES  
Breakfast

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mini Cinnamon Crumb Loaf</li></ul>	<b>3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun</li></ul>	<b>4</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Apple Frudel</li></ul>	<b>5</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sausage, Egg &amp; Cheese on a Bagel</li></ul>	<b>6</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Confetti Pancakes</li></ul>
<b>9</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mini Banana Loaf</li></ul>	<b>10</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun</li></ul>	<b>11</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assorted BeneFIT Bar</li></ul>	<b>12</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sausage, Egg &amp; Cheese on a Bagel</li></ul>	<b>13</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mini Cinnis</li></ul>
<b>16</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mini Cornbread Loaf</li></ul>	<b>17</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun</li></ul>	<b>18</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• French Toast Bites</li></ul>	<b>19</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sausage, Egg &amp; Cheese on a Bagel</li></ul>	<b>20</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Whole Grain Donut Bites</li></ul>
<b>23</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>	<b>24</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>	<b>25</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>	<b>26</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>	<b>27</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>
<b>30</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>	<b>31</b> <div></div> <div>Holiday Break</div>			

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**QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?**  
Please call us at (973) 598-0005 to speak to one of Maschio's Registered Dietitian Nutritionists.

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Healthy meals grow  
*healthy kids!*

Swap Outs-Elementary Breakfast: Assorted Cereal Bar with Graham Crackers , Assorted Pop Tarts with Graham Crackers , Bagel with Cream Cheese

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<div>2</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chicken Tenders</li><li>Garlic Knots</li><li>Sweet Potato Waffle Fries</li></ul></div>	<div>3</div> <div><div>Brunch for Lunch</div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Fluffy French Toast Slices</li><li>Breakfast Sausage</li><li>Breakfast Potatoes</li></ul></div>	<div>4</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Chicken Teriyaki Noodle Bowl</li><li>Stir Fry Vegetables</li></ul></div>	<div>5</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Juicy Cheeseburger on a Bun</li><li>BBQ Baked Beans</li></ul></div>	<div>6</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Breaded Mini Cheese Ravioli</li><li>Freshly Prepared Caesar Salad</li></ul><div><div>JERSEY FRESH</div><div>PRODUCE</div></div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Roasted Curry Cabbage</li></ul></div>
<div>9</div> <div><div>HEATLESS Monday</div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Creamy Mac and Cheese</li><li>Mini Cornbread Loaf</li><li>Panko Crusted Green Beans</li></ul></div>	<div>10</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Meatball Parm Hero</li><li>Roasted Parmesan Broccoli</li></ul></div>	<div>11</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Beef Nacho Platter</li><li>Black Bean and Corn Salad</li></ul></div>	<div>12</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mini Turkey Corn Dog Nuggets</li><li>Emoji Fries</li></ul></div>	<div>13</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Twisted Cheesy Breadsticks with Marinara Sauce</li><li>Freshly Prepared Spring Mix Salad</li></ul></div>
<div>16</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Seasoned Chicken and Cheese Quesadilla</li><li>Cilantro-Lime Black Beans and Corn</li></ul></div>	<div>17</div> <div><div>Brunch for Lunch</div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Golden Crisp Waffles</li><li>Breakfast Sausages</li><li>Sweet Potato Waffle Fries</li></ul></div>	<div>18</div> <div><div>Holiday Meal</div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Popcorn Chicken, Whipped Mashed Potatoes, Rich Brown Gravy, Seasoned Corn</li><li>Soft Pretzel Stick</li><li>Holiday Cookie</li></ul></div>	<div>19</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Grilled Cheese Sandwich</li><li>Tomato Soup</li></ul></div>	<div>20</div> <div><div>Swap Outs Not Available on Half Days</div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Pizza Crunchers</li><li>Freshly Prepared Cucumber and Tomato Salad</li><li>OR</li><li>Muffin Bag Meal</li></ul></div>
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Swap Outs-Elementary: Muffin Bag Meal , Cereal Bag , Chicken Nuggets with Dinner Roll , Bella's Cheese Pizza





## **Holiday Shop from Kids' Kastle**

*Dates: Thursday, December 5th & Friday, December 6th*

Classes sign-up for a designated day and time to shop  
with the help of parent volunteers

During Conferences on 12/3 & 12/4, we will open the  
holiday shop to parents who would like to “preview” the  
shop or to create a wish-list

During conferences, the PTO will also have a bake sale  
table and spirit wear table to anyone interested



Time	Thursday, December 5	Friday, December 6
	Teacher(s)	Teacher(s)
9:30 to 9:50		
9:50 to 10:10	Gomez	Oczkowski
10:15 to 10:35	Maiello	Falciglia
10:35 to 10:55	L. Pappas	Gilbert
11:00 to 11:20	Anderson	
11:20 to 11:40	Santos	
11:45 to 12:05	Schultz	
12:05 to 12:25		
12:30 to 12:50	Petruccio	
12:50 to 1:10		Saviano
1:15 to 1:35	Walker	Giannone
1:35 to 1:55	Groark	Preiser/Coakley
2:00 to 2:20	Whelan	Royston/Werner

2:20 to 2:40		A. Pappas
2:45-3:05		
3:05-3:30	Somohano	





Cliffwood Elementary PTO presents our annual

# Winter Party

**Cliffwood Elementary School Cafeteria**

**Friday, December 13th from 6-8 pm**

Free Arts & Crafts (for children 3rd grade  
and under)

Music/Dancing/Games

Photos with a Special Guest!

Basket Raffle & Prizes

(Desserts, snacks, and beverages available for  
sale the night of event)



Please complete form below (only one form per family) & return to your  
child's teacher by December 7th with payment (cash, check, or Venmo)

Email [cliffwoodpto422@gmail.com](mailto:cliffwoodpto422@gmail.com) with any questions or concerns

Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # or email:  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I can donate

\_\_\_\_ I can volunteer

\*Payment type:  
Cash \_\_\_\_  
Check \_\_\_\_  
(payable to Cliffwood  
School PTO)  
Venmo \_\_\_\_

## Join Us this Month for Our December PTO Meeting

**Who?:**

Parents/grandparents, teachers, administrators, support staff

**When?:**

Wednesday, December 18, 2024  
5:30-6:30pm

**Where?:**

Cliffwood Elementary School Cafeteria

Find ways to get involved with your child's school! There are many opportunities to volunteer and we are always welcome to hear your concerns, questions, ideas, and feedback.

We are looking for volunteers to help with our events in the New Year!

You do not need to be a member to attend meetings!

Email questions to [cliffwoodpto422@gmail.com](mailto:cliffwoodpto422@gmail.com)



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## Dates to Keep in Mind

12/3-Parent/Teacher Afternoon Conferences & Students Dismiss at 1:20 PM

12/4- Parent/Teacher Evening Conferences & Students Dismiss at 1:20 PM

12/5- Aberdeen Christmas Tree Lighting

12/5 & 12/6- Holiday Shopping

12/13- Cliffwood PTO Winter Festival

12/17- Picture Make-up Day

12/18- Cliffwood PTO Meeting 6PM



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## CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITIES







# Matawan-Aberdeen Regional

School District

