



MATAWAN-ABERDEEN CONNECTIONS

CLIFFWOOD NEWSLETTER

December 30, 2024

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Message from Mrs. Cherence

Dear Cliffwood School Community,

I hope this message finds you all enjoying a wonderful winter break and making the most of the holiday season with your loved ones and friends. Wishing you all the best for a happy and healthy New Year in 2025!

We wanted to share some precious photos from a special visit from Santa, the Cliffwood fire truck, and our holiday sing-along! It was truly a magical time for our school community, and we are grateful for the joy and spirit it brought to everyone.

Two of our beloved Instructional Assistants, Mrs. Hebding and Mrs. Reynolds, will be retiring at the end of this month after many years of dedicated service. Their contributions to our school community will be deeply missed.

We are incredibly grateful for the 25 years of service both Mrs. Hebding and Mrs. Reynolds have given to the Matawan Aberdeen Community. Their kindness, compassion, and commitment to our students have made a lasting impact. They have consistently gone above and beyond to ensure every child feels supported and valued. We thank them for their unwavering dedication and will miss them dearly.

We are also excited to welcome Mrs. Wendy Ortega, who will be joining Mrs. Anderson's class as an Instructional Assistant. Mrs. Esposito, a former Kindergarten IA at Cliffwood, will be joining Mrs. Maiello's class and brings with her a wealth of experience.

Please join me in thanking Mrs. Hebding and Mrs. Reynolds for their incredible service and in welcoming Mrs. Ortega to our Cliffwood family and Mrs. Esposito to Kindergarten!

We're looking forward to welcoming our little ones back to school on Thursday, January 2nd, ready for another exciting and successful year ahead!

Warmly,

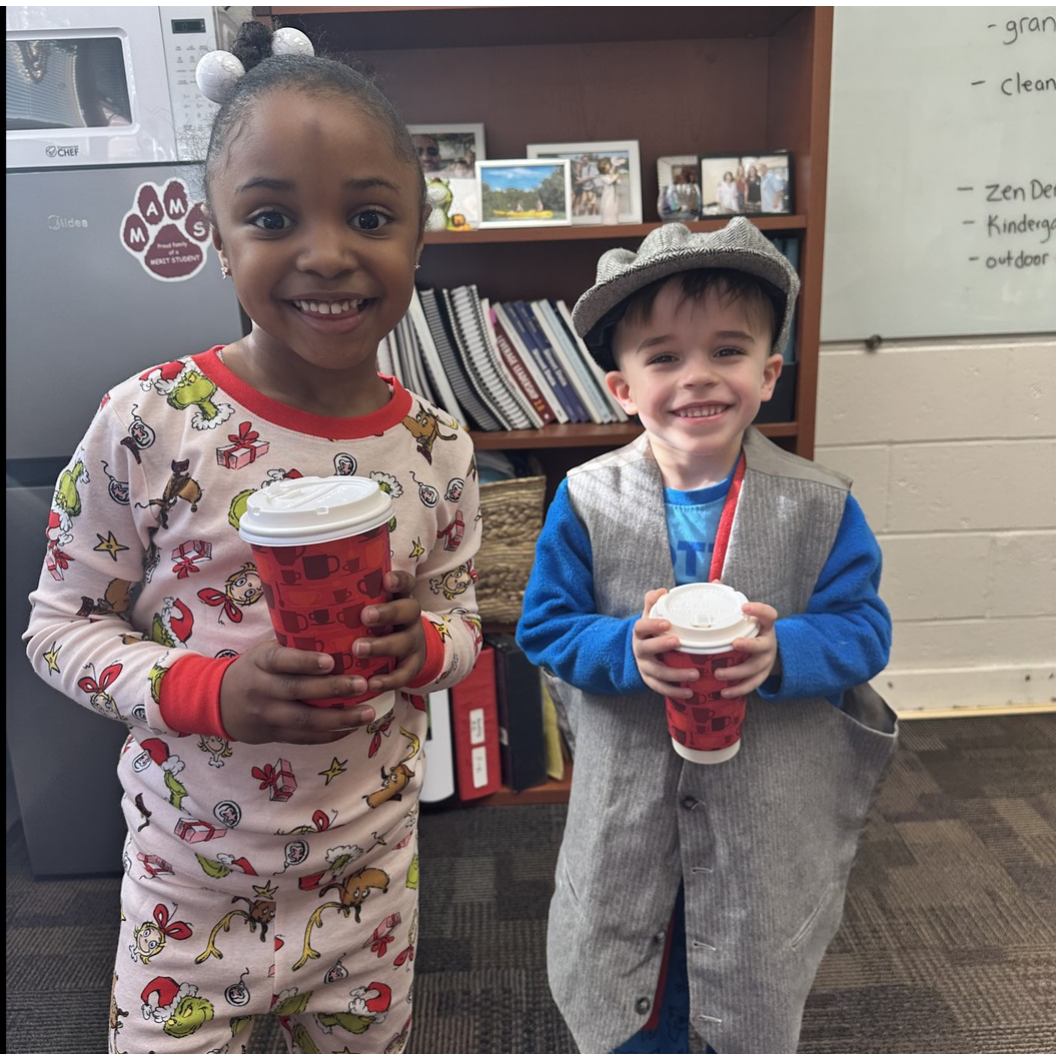
Mrs. Charence, Principal



Holiday Fun at Cliffwood School



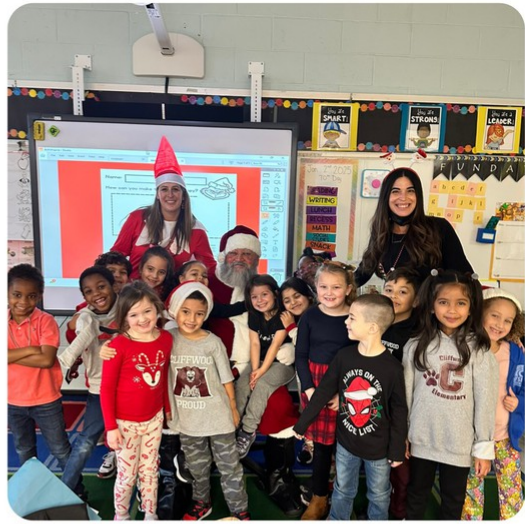






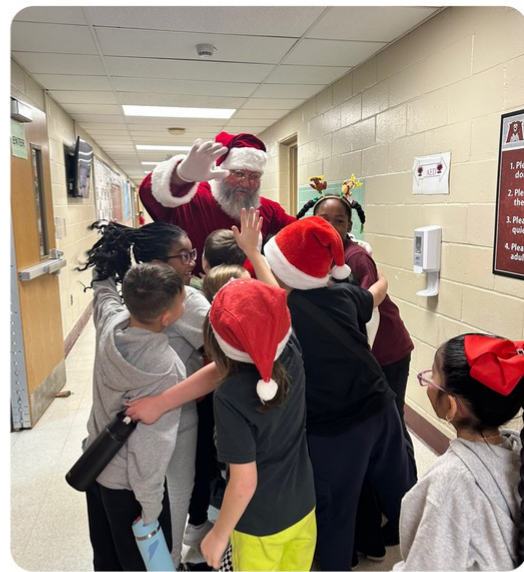


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Cliffwood PAWS Winners!



January Menu

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1	2	3
		 Holiday Break		
6	7	8	9	10
• Mini Banana Loaf	• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun	• Assorted BeneFIT Bar	• Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel	• Mini Cinnis
13	14	15	16	17
• Mini Cornbread Loaf	• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun	• French Toast Bites	• Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel	• Whole Grain Donut Bites
20	21	22	23	24
 MLK Day				
	• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun	• French Toast Sticks	• Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel	• Mini Maple Chip Waffles
27	28	29	30	31
• Mini Cinnamon Crumb Loaf	• Bacon, Egg and Cheese on a Bun	• Apple Frudel	• Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel	• Confetti Pancakes

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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
		1	2	3
		 Holiday Break	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluffy French Toast Slices • Breakfast Sausages • Breakfast Potatoes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mini Mozzarella Cheese Calzones • Sautéed Green Beans
6	7	8	9	10
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crispy Chicken Sandwich • Mashed Sweet Potatoes  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baked Sweet Potato 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grilled Cheese Sandwich • Basil Tomato Soup • Fresh Veggie Dippers 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheese Manicotti Marinara • Roasted Parmesan Broccoli 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluffy Buttermilk Pancakes • Breakfast Sausage • Crunchy Hash Browns 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NY Style Bella's Pizza • Freshly Prepared Maschio's House Salad
13	14	15	16	17
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creamy Mac and Cheese • Cornbread Poppers • Panko Crusted Green Beans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chicken Pita • Freshly Prepared Cucumber and Tomato Salad 	  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Bagel • Crunchy Hash Browns 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spaghetti and Meatballs • Garlic Bread • Freshly Prepared Caesar Salad 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HALF DAY-NO SWAP OUTS AVAILABLE • Bella's Cheese Pizza • Chicken Nuggets • Muffin Bag Meal
20	21	22	23	24
 MLK Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loaded Tot-Chos • Soft Pretzel Stick • Freshly Baked Apple Crisp 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golden Crisp Waffles • Breakfast Sausages • Emoji Fries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juicy Hamburger on a Bun OR • Juicy Cheeseburger on a Bun • Steamed Corn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twisted Cheesy Breadsticks with Marinara Sauce • Freshly Prepared Garden Salad
27	28	29	30	31
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bacon, Chicken & Cheese Quesadilla • Fresh Pepper Dippers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Italian Sampler with Breaded Ravioli, Mozzarella Sticks and Marinara Sauce • Roasted Parmesan Broccoli 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange Popcorn Chicken • Vegetable Fried Rice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mozzarella Sticks • Dinner Roll • Italian Green Beans 	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stuffed Crust Pizza • Freshly Prepared Garden Salad

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Cliffwood PTO NEWS

Join Us this Month
for Our January PTO Meeting



Who?:

Parents/grandparents, teachers,
administrators, support staff

When?:

Wednesday, January 15, 2025
5:30-6:30pm
(before star student ceremony)



Where?:

Cliffwood Elementary School Cafeteria

Find ways to get involved with Cliffwood Elementary 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

Save the Date!
Saturday, February 8, 2025



VS.



The Harlem Wizards vs. Cliffwood Elementary Staff
Game proceeds will be used to benefit our school!

The World-Famous Harlem Wizards want to invite you and the whole family to join them for a night of tricks, hoops, and alley-oops!

DATE: 02-08-2025

Please join us at Matawan High School, located at 450 Atlantic Avenue. The game begins at 06:00 PM and the doors will open at 05:00 PM. Be sure to purchase your tickets in advance.



Student -\$20
General Admission - \$25
Reserved Student - \$35
Reserved Adult - \$35
Courtside Plus Student - \$50
Courtside Plus Adult - \$50



Spread the word! More info Coming Soon!

Dates to Keep in Mind

1/2- School is Back in Session
1/15- Cliffwood PTO Meeting 5:30 PM in the Cafeteria
2/8- Harlem Wizards vs Cliffwood Staff



CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITIES



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