

OSTRANDER NEWS



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Ostrander Families,

Happy New Year and welcome back! I hope that you had a restful and enjoyable holiday break. As we begin the new year, I look forward to a positive and productive month ahead. January is a time for new beginnings, and I am excited to see our students continue to learn and grow.

As a reminder, the second quarter ends on January 24, 2025, and report cards will be sent home soon after. If you have concerns about your child's progress, I encourage you to reach out to your child's teacher.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy new year!

Mrs. Alyssa Greany
Principal

Kindergarten Registration

Your child is eligible to enter Kindergarten in the 2025-2026 school year if he/she is turning five (5) on or before December 1, 2025. Registration will take place January 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 at District Office located at 1500 Route 208. Registration hours are 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm.

D.A.R.E Program

Town of Shawangunk Police Chief Gerald Marlatt is with us this school year to guide our fifth-grade students through the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program. They will begin to meet in January and plan to meet for a total of ten (10) sessions. A celebration will be held at the conclusion of the program.

Lost and Found

We are overflowing with lost and found items. Please encourage your child to look for missing items. Unclaimed items will be donated at the end of the month.

After-School Program

The second semester of the K-6 academic after-school program is scheduled to begin February 24. Invitations will be sent home to select students in the coming weeks.

District Spelling Bee

Congratulations to the following students who qualify to participate in the District Spelling Bee at John G. Borden Middle School on January 14:

- Elisif DuBois, grade 5
- Lucas Ferruzola, grade 5
- Adalyn MacEntee, grade 5
- Robin Monson, grade 6
- Michael Quick, grade 6
- Kyp Yingling, grade 6

Digital Backpack

Ostrander's Digital Backpack contains informational flyers for school sponsored events as well as other community happenings.

Go To:

<https://www.wallkillcsd.k12.ny.us/schools/ostrander-elementary-school/oes-digital-backpack>



Parent Engagement Night

Please join us for a screening of the short film *Screenagers: Elementary School Edition* at 6:00 p.m. on January 21, 2025. This event will take place in the auditorium at the Wallkill Senior High School. A flyer will be sent home soon.

Upcoming Events

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| 1/2 | Schools Reopen |
| 1/11 | All-County Instrumental Auditions |
| 1/15 | Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ PES |
| 1/16 | District Band Play-a-Thon Grades 6-12 6:30 p.m. |
| 1/20 | Schools Closed for Holiday |
| 1/21 | Elementary Parent Engagement Night 6:00 p.m. @ WSHS |
| 1/22 | PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/24 | End of 2 nd Quarter |
| 1/24-25 | All-County Chorus |
| 1/28 | Elementary Honors Band/Orchestra & Middle School Band Concert 7:00 p.m. @ WSHS |
| 1/29 | Schools Closed for Holiday |

OSTRANDER ELEMENTARY IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

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| 895-7225 | Announcement Line |
| 895-7232 | Attendance Office |
| 895-7231 | Health Office |
| 895-7229 | Health Office Fax |
| 895-7225 | Main Office |
| 895-8043 | Main Office Fax |

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