# — December 2024 —

# **Plattekill Panther Press**

Principal Monica Hasbrouck



## **CUBBY CORNER**

- 12/3 Picture Retake Day
- 12/5 Cocoa & Craft PTA Event @ 6:00 p.m.
- 12/10 12/12 Holiday Store
- 12/11 Winter Concert @ PES @ 7:00 p.m.
- 12/13 End of Five Week Marking Period
- 12/18 B.O.E. Meeting @ LES @ 7:00 p.m.
- 12/23/2024 1/1/2025 School Closed for Winter Break
- 1/2/2025 School re-opens



# Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family. It's only a few weeks until the next Holiday. We have lots of special activities planned for the month of December. Our Winter Concert will be held on December 11, 2024. I look forward to this event. Our students in band, orchestra, and/or chorus work so hard for this event.

In the holiday spirit we are looking for families who would like to sponsor a student from our school in need of holiday gifts. *If you are in a financial position to provide this for a student, please call Mrs. Medina at 895-7257.* We do vet the families to ensure they are truly in need. We are also collecting a variety of foods to provide Holiday meals. A flyer went home with an assigned food by grade level. We always accept a frozen chicken, turkey, or ham if you can find it in your heart to donate that as well. Please send items in by December 6, 2024.

Our PTA has been very busy planning new activities and events this year. We are looking forward to the Cocoa and Craft Night. Please note this is a *Thursday* night, 12/5/24. We are finding Thursday events are more attended than Friday night events.

Please note our after school AIS program session 2 will run from February 24, 2025 through May 15, 2025. Invitations for this program will go out in January. Please let your teacher know if you are interested in your child attending this program. Parents must provide pick up transportation.

Have a wonderful holiday!

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**

#### **PAW-SOME PBIS Programs at Plattekill**

- Positive Office Referrals— a student can be nominated by a staff member when they are noticed for going above and beyond our PAWS Expectations. We have had several students already awarded this honor! Keep up the good work to all of our students.
- Cubby's Special Lunch Spot has been a big hit with our students. A special table is set up in our cafeteria in which students can purchase a reservation with PAWS Cash. Our students are really working hard to follow our PAWS Expectations! Thank you to our families for helping to reinforce our PAWS Expectations at home!
- PAWSITIVE TRAITS Quarterly Awards. This award is presented to students from each class that display the following character traits: Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.

#### **Congratulations to the following students:**

Hazel Quiroz, Wyatt Otens, Karter Way, Nickayla Fuller, Paityn Detz, Nicholas Kasloski,
Dylan Quintanilla, Madison Pacheco, Malakai Laureano, Krystel Pulla, Violet Tansosch, Desiree Profiro,
Cinthia Martinez Landaverde, Amanda Pietras, Alexander Medina, Luhana Olmedo Quispe,
Oakley Reed, Dara Aguirre Garcia, Mia Bella Whalen, Angely Barrientos, Dylan Gonzalez,
Aaron Ortiz, Cameron Reimer, and Isabella Porras Gomez.

# **PTA News**

A little snow did not stop the success of our Fall Scholastic Book Fair! Thank you to all our volunteers who helped make our book fair a successful event. For those who purchased Poinsettias through our fundraiser, pick up will be on December 3rd during dismissal 2:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. and again between 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing those who have signed up to attend our Cocoa & Craft night on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Our Holiday Shop will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Students will have an opportunity to visit the shop and purchase holiday gifts. We rely heavily on volunteers for this event. Please reach out to Plattekillpta@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer. Please join us for our next PTA meeting on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria.

## **Upcoming Events:**

12/3 - Poinsettia Pick Up: 2:50 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. & 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

12/3 - Picture Retake Day

12/5 - Cocoa & Craft Night @ 6:00 p.m.

12/10, 12/11, 12/12 - Holiday Shop

