# **OSTRANDER NEWS**

**NEWSLETTER** 

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#### **Dear Ostrander Families:**

Every spring, our students are administered the New York State Education Department (NYSED) English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science assessments. The schedule for administration of the New York State Assessments is as follows:

Science (Grades 5 and 8) Wednesday, April 9

Makeups completed by April 25

English Language Arts Tuesday, April 29 and Wednesday, April 30

Makeups completed by May 5

Mathematics Wednesday, May 7 and Thursday, May 8

Makeups completed by May 13



#### Some quick reminders:

- Students will be taking the test on their Chromebooks.
- Tests in grades 3-8 ELA and Math have been reduced to 2 days each.
- Tests will continue to be untimed for all students. By removing time limits, students will be able to work at their own pace. These tests are designed to measure what students know and are able to do, not how quickly they can finish.
- The Every Student Succeeds Act, a federal law, requires that 95% of students in each tested grade participate.

Thank you, Mrs. Alyssa Greany



#### **Prize Winners!**

Congratulations to the following students. They each won prizes from Ostrander PTO for participating in the National Day of Unplugging.

- Pre-K: Dominic Calderone
- Kindergarten: Ethan Strock
- 1st Grade: Olivia Cotton
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Shoshana Mendoza
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Forrest Napoli
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Cecilia Crispell
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Hunter Nichols
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Daa'Vina Graham

## **Family Game Night**

Bring your family to Ostrander for a night of fantastic fun and games galore on Thursday, April 3 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. A ziti dinner will be served compliments of Ostrander faculty and staff. All students in attendance will receive a "No Homework" pass. We look forward to seeing you and your family at this fun family event!

## **Clothing Needed**

Please consider donating sweatpants to the Health Office. Sizes 6-12 are needed.



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## **Upcoming Events**

| 3/31 | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade D.A.R.E. |
|------|--------------------------------|
|      | Graduation 6:30 p.m.           |
|      | in OES Gymnasium               |

4/1 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra & Recorder Concert 9:45 a.m.

4/3 Family Game Night 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in OES Cafeteria

4/4 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

4/7 S.O.M.E. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

4/9 NYS Science

Assessment (Gr. 5 only)

4/9 PTO Meeting 7:00 p.m.

4/10 Kindergarten Egg Hunt

2:10 p.m.

4/11 Giveback Day

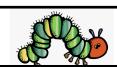
4/14 Spring Recess Begins

4/22 School Reopens

4/22 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 p.m. @ Leptondale Elementary School

4/24 Author's Day with Daryl Cobb

4/29-30 NYS ELA Assessment Grades 3-6



# **Congratulations to Third Quarter Pawsitive Office Referral Recipients!**

Julian Balbuena, Hailey Balzer, Dominic Bernardo, Abigail Bleakley, Dylan Bleichner, Lauraine Bontemps, Theresa Carlos, Eloise Champlin, Julia Crispell, Viviana Dragani, Noah Gallego-Auger, Nolan Frank, Blake Graham, Hunter Hessert, Ewurama Hutchful, Benjamin Parker, Jacob Perez, Ethan Rosa, Jayce Rosa, Raelynn Sibley, Chase Sinsabaugh, Victoria Stark, Paige Vernooy, Kiera Winchell, Kylie Wohlgemuth, Austin Woodke