



Mrs. Hibbard's Notes

We are excited to welcome all **4th and 5th grade** families to Stanton next **Thursday, October 9**, for Open House. Please note the following:

6:15-7:45 pm, the gym is open with the Book Fair and Community Organizations

6:30-7:30, Classrooms are open for visits. They will not be open before 6:30 pm.

You may park in the front or back but ALL must enter in the back of the building. Doors will open just a few minutes before 6:15.

Reminder: 3rd grade classrooms will not be open (they held Orientation/Open House in August). However, all 3rd grade families are welcome to come to the gym or visit special area teachers.

Did you know that the Seneca Falls Backpack Program purchases snacks each month for students who are unable to bring a snack from home?

These snacks run out quickly, so if you can supply your child with a snack from home each day, please do. Classrooms also welcome any snack donations that are store-bought and in their original containers. **Thank you!**

Our students and teachers are working hard and learning many things during Literacy time with our new instructional materials. Each month we'll include in the newsletter information about the upcoming unit in each grade. Please check them out on pages 5-7!

Wishing you an enjoyable October!
~Amy Hibbard

Mark your Calendars

- October 6-9** Scholastic Book Fair
- October 7** School Picture Day!
- October 8** Gr 5 Roller Skating, 3:15-4:30
PTO Meeting, ECS library, 6 pm
- October 9** Early Dismissal Drill (*all dismiss 15 minutes earlier than usual*)

Grade 4 & 5 Open House!
Gym open 6:15 - 7:45 pm
Classrooms open 6:30 - 7:30 pm
- October 10** **No School- Superintendent Conference Day**
- October 13** **No School—Holiday!**
- October 21-24** MP1 Progress Reports mailed
- October 23** BOE Meeting, 6 pm, District Office
- October 24** PTO Pumpkin Walk 6– 7:30
- October 31** Halloween Celebrations!
(*see pg 2 for more details*)
- November 12** Gr 4 Roller Skating, 3:15-4:30
PTO Meeting, ECS library, 6 pm

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Reminders

- Students are not allowed to go to their homerooms until 8:55 a.m. and may enter for breakfast at 8:45. Please do NOT drop your child off to school before 8:45 as there is no supervision. Someone will be at the backdoor until 9:05 for children to enter. If you arrive after 9:05, please sign your child in at the front office.
- If you email a dismissal change to your child's classroom teacher for that day, the teacher may not see the email before dismissal. Please also copy our secretary, Ms. Lindsey at csoffice@senecafallscsd.org to ensure the message is delivered. PLEASE no dismissal changes after 2:15 pm.
- Students will continue to participate in recess activities everyday. We will be going outside as much as possible, so please be sure your child has a coat or sweatshirt to wear outside as the weather gets colder. Hats and gloves may also be needed soon!



Halloween

We are planning a safe, fun Halloween celebration for October 31. Students should **wear costumes to school** and we will participate in a school-wide event that morning. **Please remember that costumes:**

- ◆ must not include blood or gore
- ◆ must not include any pretend or real weapons
- ◆ all costumes must be safe and appropriate for school

If your student wants to wear an inflatable costume, please note they can NOT be worn on the bus. Please make sure your student can walk safely in the inflatable costume and that batteries work.

Students should bring clothes to change into (or wear them under their costume) as all costumes will be removed before lunch and packed into backpacks safely. If your child needs a costume, please contact your child's teacher as we have many donated costumes available.



Parent Pick-Up

As you know, SAFETY is the top priority for all of our students, especially during the busy times of drop-off and pick-up. **For those who pick up their child in the back parking lot**, please remember that Chapin St. is in a school zone and the speed limit is 15 mph. Also, no vehicles should drive over the grass and/or sidewalks. Please help keep our students safe by following these safety rules. Thank you!

Does your Child Need a Coat? Winter Coat Distribution

FREE COATS FOR SENECA COUNTY: YOU MUST BRING THE CHILD/CHILDREN, PROOF OF ALL INCOME OF PEOPLE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD AND ANY SNAP OR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS AND PROOF OF RESIDENCY

Saturday
October 4th
10 AM to Noon
at
St. Mary's Gymnasium
35 Center St.
Waterloo, NY



Saturday
October 18th
10 AM to Noon
at
Ovid Federated Church
7137 Main St.
Ovid, NY



Sponsored by Community Christmas Project

2025 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROJECT APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

AT COAT GIVE-AWAY, YOU MUST BRING

PROOF OF ALL INCOME OF PEOPLE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD AND ANY SNAP OR SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS AND PROOF OF RESIDENCY

October 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 A Day	2 B Day	3 C Day	4
5	6 D Day	7 E Day School Picture Day!	8 F Day Gr 5 Roller Skating 3:45-4:30 PTO meeting, 6 pm	9 A Day Early Dismissal Drill—dismiss 15 minutes early Gr 4/5 Open House! 6:15-7:45—gym 6:30-7:30—classrooms	10 NO SCHOOL!! Conference Day	11
12	13 NO SCHOOL!! Columbus Day/ Indigenous People's Day	14 B Day	15 C Day	16 D Day	17 E Day	18
19 Marking Period + Progress Reports mailed this week	20 F Day	21 A Day	22 B Day	23 C Day	24 D Day PTO Annual Pumpkin Walk 6 - 7:30 pm	25
26	27 E Day	28 F Day	29 A Day	30 B Day	31 C Day Happy Halloween!	

SENECA COUNTY COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PROJECT APPLICATION SCHEDULE

MUST Bring Proof of Address & Income for each household member!

You may sign up AT ANY one of the 4 locations

Questions? Call 315-719-2430 leave message

<p style="text-align: center;">Seneca Falls</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community Center</p> <p style="text-align: center;">35 Water Street, Seneca Falls</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursdays</p> <p>October 2nd - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm</p> <p>October 9th - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm</p> <p>October 16th - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm</p> <p>October 23rd - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm</p> <p>November 6th - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm</p> <p>November 13th - 4:00 pm to 6:00pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Waterloo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community Center</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3 Oak Street, Waterloo</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesdays</p> <p>October 1st -10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>October 8th - 10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>October 15th -10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>October 22nd -10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>October 29th -10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>November 5th -10:00 am to Noon</p> <p>November 12th -10:00 am to Noon</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Ovid Food Pantry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ovid Federated Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mondays</p> <p>Sept. 22nd ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>Sept. 29th ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>October 6th ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>October 13th ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>October 20th ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>October 27th ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p> <p>Nov. 3rd ___ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Interlaken Food Pantry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Interlaken Reformed Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fridays</p> <p>Sept. 26th ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p> <p>October 3rd ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p> <p>October 10th ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p> <p>October 17th ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p> <p>October 24th ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p> <p>Nov. 7th ___ 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm</p>
<p>APPLICATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE COAT GIVE AWAY TO BE HELD</p> <p>Saturday- Oct.4th - 10 am - Noon at St. Mary's Gym 25 Center St. Waterloo</p> <p>and Saturday - Oct. 18th - 10 am - Noon at the Ovid Federated Church</p>	

Grade 3: Module 2: Use Your Words

HELLO, FAMILY!

Over the next three weeks, our class will build their knowledge about how people use words to express themselves, with a focus on the poetry genre and letters. We will read texts in which people share their thoughts, ideas, and feelings. Students will also write an opinion essay about how authors and poets make an impact through their use of words.

BRING IT HOME! Learning fun for the whole family!

Discuss the Topic Set aside time daily for your child to share with you what they are learning. Use these ideas to help build your child’s knowledge about the topic:

- Talk about the ideas your child has added to the Knowledge Map each week.
- Ask about the texts your child is reading and what your child has learned from them.
- Share with your child your own questions about the topic and work together to find the answers.

Explore the Genre The genre focus in this module is poetry and letters. Discuss with your child the characteristics of these genres. Ask your child to read to you each day, and make time to read together.

Look for texts that:

- Spark your child’s curiosity.
- Tie to the module topic.
- Use language in interesting and unique ways.
- Share feelings and ideas.

Build Vocabulary Use these ideas to help your child build a rich vocabulary.

The Big Idea Reinforce the topic words *express*, *convey*, *chronicle*, and *creative* in conversations with your child. Use prompts like these: What word can you use to convey how you feel? Describe a creative game you like.

What Does It Mean? Have your child keep a growing list of the Critical Vocabulary words. Quiz each other on their meanings.

Word Hunt Look for words with doubled consonants before *-ed*, *-ing*, *-er*, or *-est*, such as in *skipped*, in books, magazines, online texts, and environmental print.

Grade 4: Module 2: Come to Your Senses

HELLO, FAMILY!

Over the next three weeks, our class will build their knowledge about the five senses, with a focus on the informational text genre. We will read texts and view videos about how people and animals use their senses to navigate the world. Students will also choose one of the five senses and write an expository essay to tell how people and animals use that sense to navigate the world.

BRING IT HOME! Learning fun for the whole family!

Discuss the Topic Set aside time daily for your child to share with you what they are learning. Use these ideas to help build your child's knowledge about the topic:

- Talk about the ideas your child has added to the Knowledge Map each week.
- Ask about the texts your child is reading and what your child has learned from them.
- Share with your child your own questions about the topic and work together to find the answers.

Explore the Genre The genre focus in this module is informational text. Discuss with your child the characteristics of this genre. Ask your child to read to you each day and make time to read together.

Look for texts that:

- Spark your child's curiosity.
- Tie to the module topic.
- Provide interesting facts and details.
- Have unique formats and graphic features.

Build Vocabulary Use these ideas to help your child build a rich vocabulary.

The Big Idea Reinforce the topic words *perception*, *aroma*, *distinguish*, and *tactile* in conversations with your child. Use prompts like these: What is your favorite **aroma**, and why? Describe a **tactile** experience.

What Does It Mean? Have your child keep a growing list of the Critical Vocabulary words. Quiz each other on their meanings.

Word Hunt Look for words with the prefixes *re-* and *pre-* and the suffixes *-s*, *-es*, *-ed*, and *-ing* in books, magazines, online texts, and environmental print.

Grade 5: Module 2: What a Story

HELLO, FAMILY!

Over the next three weeks, our class will build their knowledge about subgenres of fiction, with a focus on different ways to tell a great story. We will read texts and view videos about how writers share compelling stories in literature of many types. Students will also write an expository essay telling how each genre affects the way a story is told.

BRING IT HOME! Learning fun for the whole family!

Discuss the Topic Set aside time daily for your child to share with you what they are learning. Use these ideas to help build your child's knowledge about the topic:

- Talk about the ideas your child has added to the Knowledge Map each week.
- Ask about the texts your child is reading and what your child has learned from them.
- Share with your child your own questions about the topic and work together to find the answers.

Explore the Genre The genre focus in this module is fiction. Discuss with your child the characteristics of this genre. Ask your child to read to you each day and make time to read together.

Look for texts that:

- Spark your child's curiosity.
- Tie to the module topic.
- Tell a compelling story, perhaps in an unfamiliar way.
- Allow your child to explore existing interests or discover new ones.

Build Vocabulary Use these ideas to help your child build a rich vocabulary.

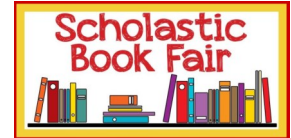
The Big Idea Reinforce the topic words *prose*, *dialogue*, *climax*, and *foreword* in conversations with your child. Use prompts like these: What was the **climax** of the last movie you watched? Describe what **dialogue** looks like in print.

What Does It Mean? Have your child keep a growing list of the Critical Vocabulary words. Quiz each other on their meanings.

Word Hunt Look for words with the roots *phon*, *photo*, *meter*, *gram*, *graph*, and *auto*; with prefixes *post-* and *fore-*; and with suffixes *-ment* and *-ness* in books, magazines, online texts, and environmental print.



PTO News

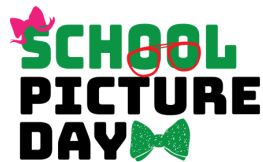


Scholastic Book Fair:

The book fair will be in school next week, Monday-Thursday, October 6-9. Families can also visit the Book Fair in the gym at the Grade 4/5 Open House on Thursday, October 9, from 6:15-7:45 pm. This will be the only book fair this year!

Grade 5 Roller Skating Party:

The party is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 8, from 3:15-4:30** in our gym. **Pick up is at the back entrance near the gym and students need to be signed out.** Permission slips were sent home and should be signed and returned with \$5 as soon as possible. Students should bring a water bottle and helmet to the party. *(Helmets are required for all skaters). Please note that roller blades are not allowed.*



School pictures are scheduled for **Tuesday, October 7**. Picture order forms were sent home ****Please note: all order forms must come back to school on picture day, even if you place your order online**** Pictures can be ordered online here: <https://shop.imagequix.com/g1001244779>

Please note: no late paper order forms will be accepted after picture day. If you order after picture day, orders are only accepted online.



Information will be coming home this month about PTOs annual Fall Fundraiser. All profits raise directly support our students and teachers. Thank you for your participation!

Pumpkin Walk: October 24 from 6-7:30 pm

Please keep an eye out for a flyer to come home this month with more details! See the next page for our Candy Donation Cauldron information. You can send in donations of unopened bags of candy with your students. Thank you!



PTO Meeting

Our next PTO meeting will be **Wednesday October 8 at 6:00 pm**. Please join us in the Cady Stanton library. Please join the Cady Stanton PTO Facebook page! We post a lot of info on school events and you can get answers to any questions you may have!

Any questions please contact cadystantonpto@gmail.com



TRICK or TREAT

CADY STANTON
ANNUAL
PUMPKIN WALK



HELP BY DONATING
SOMETHING
SWEET, FOR ALL
THE BOYS AND
GIRLS TO EAT.
A BIG BAG OF
CANDY IS HARD T
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PLEASE HELP FILL
OUR CAULDRON
BY **OCT 24TH**



DONATIONS CAN BE SENT IN OR
ADDED TO OUR CAULDRON
BY THE OFFICE

