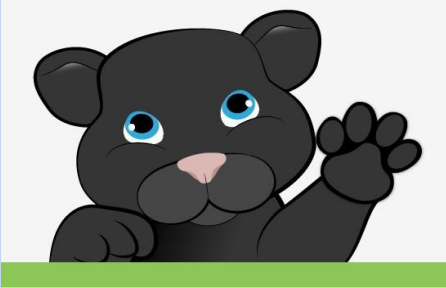


— November 2025 —

# Plattekill Panther Press

Principal Nicole Parete



## **CUBBY CORNER**

- 11/6 – County Wide Emergency Drills– Early Release (15 minutes)
- 11/10 – PTA Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- 11/11 – No School for Veteran's Day
- 11/19 – BOE Meeting @ PES @ 7:00 p.m.
- 11/21-11/25 – Scholastic Book Fair
- 11/25 – Parent/Teacher Conferences/Early Release @ 11:00 a.m.
- 11/26 – School Closed for Superintendent's Conference Day
- 11/27 – 11/28 – School Closed for Thanksgiving

## **Principal's Message**

Dear Parents,

As we approach the end of the first marking period, five-week notices have already been sent home. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher at anytime. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, during the following times:

- 12:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. – 8:15 p.m.

If you haven't yet scheduled your conference time, please contact the main office at 845-895-7250.

This season is a time for giving, and we are organizing Holiday Food Boxes for families in need. Each grade level will be asked to contribute specific food items. If you are able, please consider donating. In December, we will also be running a Toy Drive to support our families.

If your family is in need of support, please reach out to Mrs. Medina in the Health Office. You should have a Free and Reduced Lunch Application on file with us. These were due by October 17, 2025, but we are still accepting them. While the District is participating in the lunch grant, eligible families must still submit the form. If you need a new copy, please call the school at 845-895-7250.

I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving break!

– Mrs. Parete

## **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 seven emergency days as part of the 2025-2026 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.

## **PBIS - Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports**

October was a very busy month at Plattekill. At the beginning of the month, we had our Fire Prevention Day. Students were taught about fire prevention with special thanks to the Plattekill Fire Department and Modena Fire & Rescue.



This year Red Ribbon Week was held from October 27th through the 30th. It is a week in which we incorporate Drug and Bullying prevention. Students received bully free bracelets and celebrated with a week of School Spirit Activities; including wearing red, tie-dye, crazy socks, hats and ended with Spirit wear.



### **PTA News**

We are happy to report that after Fall Fest, our membership has grown to 273 members. Our next PTA meeting will be Monday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. We hope to see everyone there!

**Fall Festival Recap:** We had over 700 people attend our Fall Festival this year! Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA's effort to make this Fall Festival the best one yet.

Our **Corey's Pickle** fundraiser has concluded. Thank you to all who participated in this fundraiser this year.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** Our Fall book fair will be held 11/21, 11/24 & 11/25. More information will be coming home about the book fair shortly. We are looking for volunteers to work the book fair and help with set up and clean up. Please email [plattekillpta@gmail.com](mailto:plattekillpta@gmail.com) if you are interested in volunteering.

**Poinsettia Sale:** We are thrilled to announce that we will be selling 6.5" potted poinsettias from Wallkill View Farms again this year. They are \$10 each. Forms are due 11/24 and pick up will be on 12/2. Order forms will be sent home soon.

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