



## Mrs. Hibbard's Notes

*I hope your family enjoyed a healthy and happy holiday season. We are looking forward to a great second half of the school year as we welcome 2026! Our students are learning and making growth each day academically, socially and emotionally. This month students will take their second iReady diagnostic test and 2nd reading benchmark assessments. We are always excited to see how much growth the students have made. Reading each night with your student is a great way to connect and to help them continue to develop their reading and thinking skills.*

*Thank you for your continued partnership and support! I wish you all a healthy and happy 2026!*

*-Mrs. Hibbard*

♥♥ In a world  
where you can  
be anything ♥♥  
be kind

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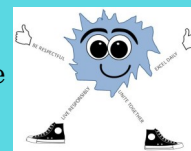


## Mark your Calendars

- January 5** Welcome Back to School!
- January 8** BOE Meeting, 6 pm, district office
- January 14** Gr 5 Roller Skating, 3:30-4:30 pm, gym  
PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm, Cady Stanton library
- January 15** Cady Stanton Spelling Bee, 6:00 pm, gym
- January 19** Martin Luther King Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL
- January 22** BOE Meeting, 6 pm, Frank Knight School
- Jan. 26-30** Safe Harbors Personal Safety Lessons
- Feb. 16-20** NO SCHOOL!

## Elizabeth Cady Stanton Elementary School Pledge

"Today we pledge to be BLUE. We will Be respectful, Live responsibly, Unite together and Excel daily because WE are Cady Stanton."



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## Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes

During the last week of January (January 26-30) a Safe Harbors Prevention Educator will teach students about personal safety (child abuse prevention). This is a mandated NYS Education Department program (Erin's Law) to help students feel good about themselves and empower them with information and skills they need to be safe. For fourth and fifth graders, this will include information about online safety. This year the educator will visit classrooms for a 50-minute lesson. An information letter will be mailed home later this month and parents may choose to not have their son/daughter participate in the lesson.



## Cady Stanton PTO

Please stay informed by checking out the Cady Stanton PTO Facebook page and watching your email for information. If you are interested in joining meetings or have questions please contact Jen at [cadystantonpto@gmail.com](mailto:cadystantonpto@gmail.com)



## Spelling Bee!

Over 100 students in grades 4 and 5 participated in the written spelling bee in December to try out for the school bee. Congratulations to all of these students who prepared and gave it their all in an effort to qualify for the School Bee! The top 20 spellers who earned a top score on the written test will be participating in the Stanton School Spelling Bee. The School Bee is scheduled for **Thursday, January 15** and will be held in the Cady Stanton Gymnasium. The Bee will begin at 6:00 pm.



The top 10 spellers at the School Bee will be eligible to compete in the Seneca Falls School **District Bee on February 5** with the top 10 Middle School spellers. The top two spellers at the district bee will then go on to compete at the Wayne-Finger Lakes Spelling Bee in March.

Congratulations to our Spelling Bee participants and best of luck. We are proud of you!



## Congratulations to December's Students of the Month!

### 3rd Grade

Evelyn L.  
Cooper W.  
Grant G.  
Ma'Leigha F.  
Charlie G.

### 4th Grade

Bryleigh M.  
Lina R.  
Grace A.  
Olive W.  
Lily J.

### 5th Grade

Hayleigh B.  
Avianna Y.  
Kenadie S.  
Brooke K.  
Alaina P.

### Special Area

(music)  
Malaya R.  
Kingston B.-P.  
Sofia B.





## Parking and Pick Up

**Reminder:** The district has signs at all bus loop entrances/exits listing times of day when ONLY school buses are permitted to be utilizing the bus loop. Please understand this is for the safety and security of all children. We appreciate your attention to this matter to help promote safety measures.



### **Important Request:**

*For those who pick up students in the back at dismissal time:*

In the interest of safety, **we strongly encourage that you park on the school side of Chapin St. only** so that emergency vehicles and our neighbors can get through Chapin St. safely. We thank you for your cooperation in helping to ensure the safety of all.

## Thank you!

To students and families for their participation in the Pennies for Turkeys Drive. We raised over \$800 for the Center of Concern and the Seneca Falls Backpack Program!

To families and staff who contributed to the Cady Stanton Giving Tree. The donations helped us to make the holidays brighter for many students.

To families for your attendance at parent-teacher conferences and holiday concerts. We appreciate the time you spend in partnership with us!



## Parent Handbook Highlight

*In September, each parent receives a parent handbook full of important information about policies and procedures at Cady Stanton. Each month the newsletter will highlight some important information. This month, we are highlighting our School Morning Hours (page 4 in the handbook).*

School starts at 9:05 a.m. Students who ride the bus and those who are walking may begin entering the school buildings at 8:55 a.m. **It is important that students do not arrive at school before 8:55 a.m., as supervision is not guaranteed before that time.** Students who are eating breakfast in the cafeteria may enter the building beginning at 8:45 a.m., and should go directly to the cafeteria. All other students will enter at 8:55 and proceed directly to homeroom.



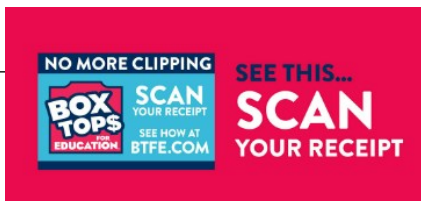


**\*\* PTO NEWS\*\***

Cady Stanton PTO would like to thank all the parents who volunteered for the Holiday Shop! The students had a fantastic time being able to buy gifts for their loved ones! We would also like to thank everyone who donated funds so all students could shop. Volunteers will be needed for some of the upcoming events. Please watch for posts on the Cady Stanton PTO Facebook page. If you are interested in volunteering, but have questions, please contact [cadystantonpto@gmail.com](mailto:cadystantonpto@gmail.com)



The PTO would like to remind families that we are still doing the BoxTops, so if you are looking for a way to support our school, Box Tops is an easy way to do so. You can download the BoxTops App and set up for our school to receive the funds. All you have to do is scan your receipts and the app will find the BoxTop products for you, no more having to cut them out and send them.



The Grade 5 Roller Skating Party will be on **Wednesday, January 14**. Students must wear a helmet in order to participate (if your student does not have one or if they forget theirs we do have a few that can be borrowed). Please remember to send your child with a signed permission slip, \$5.00, a water bottle and helmet. Your child will need to be picked up at 4:30 pm as there is no late bus for this event. Please enter from the back parking lot, meet your child in the gym, and remember to sign out your child before leaving the building.



The Grade 4 **Roller Skating Party** will be **Wednesday, February 11**.

Our next PTO meeting will be **Wednesday, January 14 at 6:00 pm** in the Cady Stanton Library. All are welcome, whether you are mom, dad, grandparents, aunts or uncles, please feel free to come and see what we are all about! Also, please join our Facebook page to keep up to date with upcoming PTO events.



**Join Our PTO**

# Stop the Spread

## Fight Flu at Home and School

Influenza (flu), spreads easily and can make people very sick, especially kids. You can help stop flu!

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### Flu symptoms include:

Fever or chills, body aches, cough, sore throat, headache, runny or stuffy nose, feeling very tired. Some people, especially children, may have stomach problems and diarrhea. Unlike a cold, the flu comes on very suddenly.

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### Prevent flu!

- Flu vaccine is the best protection against the flu. It is recommended every year for everyone 6 months and older.
- Get the flu vaccine for you and your children every year! It helps make flu sickness milder or prevents it altogether.
- Getting the vaccine early in the fall means you and your children will be protected when flu season starts.
- Make sure people close to your children, like babysitters and relatives, are also vaccinated.
- The vaccine is especially important for people with certain medical conditions, like asthma, diabetes, heart and lung disease, because the flu can make them even sicker.

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### If your child gets the flu:

- Your child will need plenty of rest and lots of fluids.
- Keep your child home from school for at least 24 hours after their fever is gone without using fever-control medicine. This helps avoid giving the flu to others.
- Talk with your child's health care provider before giving a child any over-the-counter medicine.
- Never give your child or teenager aspirin or any medicine that has aspirin in it. Aspirin can cause serious problems for children and teens.
- Young children and those with certain medical conditions, like asthma, diabetes, and heart or lung disease, are at greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu.
- If your child gets flu symptoms and is younger than 5 or has a medical condition, call their health care provider and ask about antiviral treatment.
- If you are worried about your child, call their health care provider.

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### Don't spread flu!

- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water aren't handy, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow, not your hands. Put used tissues in the trash.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth. That's how germs spread.
- Stay away from people who are sick.



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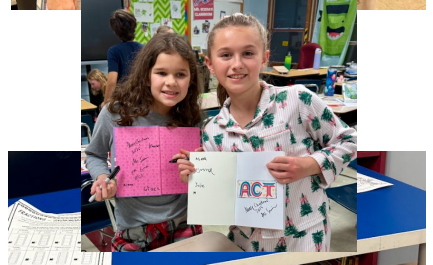
# December Students of the Month!!



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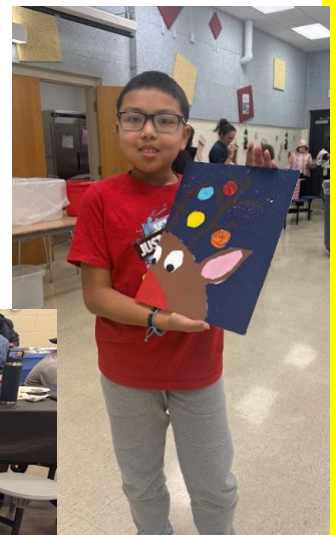
Our Cady Stanton Family hopes you had a wonderful holiday!



PTO sponsored a Paint Night in December. Everyone had a great time painting their reindeer scene!



Thank you to Anna LaRocca for leading our painters! Look for another opportunity to paint in the Spring.



Thank you to the PTO who sponsored our first 3 roller skating parties of the school year. Each grade level will have 1 more party this year.



# January 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 NO SCHOOL!!	2 NO SCHOOL!!	3
4	5 E Day	6 F Day	7 A Day	8 B Day BOE Meeting 6 pm District Office	9 C Day	10
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