



THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH

- 18 Grade 3 Recorder Recital (6:00 PM)
- 19 PTG Science Fair (6:00 PM)
- 20 Superintendent's Conference Day (No School)
- 25 Grades 4-12 MIOSM Concert (6:00 PM)
- 27 Spring Fling Semi-Formal (7:00 PM)
- 30 Modified Spring Sports Begin

APRIL

- 1 SAT Available at Remsen
- 3 End of Third Marking Period
Good Friday (No School)
- 6-10 Spring Break (No School)
- 14 April Budget Summary
Workshop and Board of
Education Meeting
(6:00 PM - ES Library)
- 17 ES & Jr./Sr. High Quarter 3
Report Cards Distributed
- 22 Quarter 3 Evening of Excellence
(6:00 PM)
- 23 ES Parent/Teacher Conferences
(11:30 - ES Student Dismissal)
- 24 ES Parent/Teacher Conferences
(11:30 - ES Student Dismissal)
- 28 BOE Meeting & BOCES Budget
Vote (6:00 PM)

MAY

- 2 Grand March (4:30 PM)
Senior Prom (6:00 PM)
- 8 ES Arbor Day Ceremony
(1:15 PM)

For the complete District calendar please visit: www.remsencsd.org



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Remsen Community,

At the beginning of February our school community experienced a loss that no child or parent should ever have to experience. The passing of our dear student, Rykah, was a devastating tragedy that will hurt indefinitely, but with time, we will be able to celebrate the wonderful memories that Rykah created for every person that had the privilege of meeting him. Rykah's presence in each of our lives, and the fond memories we are left with, can and should be used for good.



Rykah's passing at such a young age also reminds us of one of our RCS Core Values: *Every day is a gift*. This is one of our District's core values as we aspire to instill in each other, in our students, and in our community members, to never take any day, or any person, for granted. I challenge all of us, in memory of Rykah, and in memory of all those who we hold dear in our hearts; to live life like it matters. To live every day with purpose, kindness, curiosity, and grace. To take personal pride in a hard day's work. To be decent, honest human beings, willing to help others with an understanding that things won't always go our way. To be okay with an opposing point of view and maybe even consider multiple perspectives. To respect ourselves and each other. I challenge us all to make leading by positive example the rule and not the exception. Consider giving more and taking less. To be more thoughtful and less impulsive when we speak, react, or interact. Less posting on social media, more sharing of civility. To not wait until someone passes before we share everything that is good about them or to thank them for the difference they made in the world, and in our lives. We should be sharing those thoughts while we are present with them in the moment. And, most of all, strive to be the kind of person that will inspire others to be better people themselves. Life is much too short to live any other way.

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Remsen Central School District forever aspires to be a unique, distinguished, welcoming learning community that fosters a growth mindset and essential traits of great character. RCS will remain dedicated to cultivating and supporting each student's individual abilities and interests as they confidently work to realize their full potential to lead happy, healthy, successful lives.
All Remsen students will Soar to Success.

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Soar to Success!

Rykah's parents have a great deal to be proud of in the hard working, thoughtful young man they raised, that touched the lives of so many others in the short 16 years that he was with us. Rykah was a happy kid that appreciated hard work and having fun. May his positive attitude and sense of humor serve as inspiration to enjoy every day and to live life to the fullest.

Before closing, it is important to recognize a hero among us. One of Rykah's best friends, Andrew, was the first person that set out looking for Rykah, and ended up being the first individual on the scene of the tragic accident. Andrew is to be commended for his bravery, quick thinking, and courageous attempt to save Rykah's life. There are also several other students, parents, and first responders that are to be thanked for all they did that evening and beyond. Time and again, the Remsen community and our surrounding neighbors come together to help and support each other when we need it most. Thank you to everyone.

As always, it is an honor and a privilege to be your Superintendent.

Sincerely,



Timothy Jenny
Superintendent



CAPITAL PROJECT

Updates



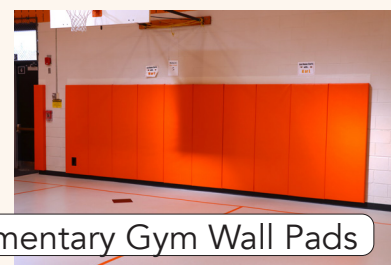
Several projects continue all over campus. Included below is a brief summary of the work that has been done since our last newsletter, work in motion, and work that is scheduled to be completed this Spring/Summer. It is very exciting to see the progress that has been made and to think about all of the wonderful work that is still to be completed.

SINCE OUR LAST NEWSLETTER

- Sharp new partition panels and curtains on the Elementary Stage
- Fire Alarm System Updates in the Bus Garage
- High School Stair Railings and Balusters restored with Remsen Orange
- High School Hallway floor ramps replaced
- New House Lights in the Gymnasium have been installed
- HVAC and Rooftop Unit Work
- Select Door Replacements
- Door replacement door frames painted black
- New Gym doors
- Replacement of remaining old exterior doors at elementary
- Replacement of select emergency and exit lighting
- Replacement of all elementary gym wall pads



Elementary Stage



Elementary Gym Wall Pads



Jr./Sr. High Railings and Balusters



Elementary Windows and Floors



Jr./Sr. High Railings and Balusters



Jr./Sr. High Floor Ramps

WORK IN MOTION

- Working on heat circulation pumps in Bus garage
- Window and floor replacement work at the elementary is ongoing with associated masonry, lintel, and unit ventilator uninstall and reinstall work
- HS stairway stringers restoration with Remsen orange paint
- HS stairways: tread replacement
- New high school stage/gym sound and light systems, controls, and equipment
- Remaining HVAC work



Elementary Classroom Work In Progress

WORK COMING THIS SPRING/SUMMER

- Road Paving and drainage up to bus garage drive, including the elementary parking lot and bus circle
- Steel bracing and masonry work on elementary cafeteria roof
- Replacement of carpet on pyramids and circle pit in the elementary library
- Elementary underground fuel tank concrete pad replacement
- Remaining window/treatment and floor replacements and brickwork at elementary
- High school gym floor complete restoration and new paint scheme

Dear Remsen Families,

Recently, our school community experienced the heartbreaking loss of our student, Rykah Lyons. During times like these, we are reminded how deeply connected we are as a school family. I have been incredibly proud of the compassion, kindness, and support our students and staff have shown one another. The high school Student Support Team, comprised of the school counselor, social worker, school psychologist, and nurse, as well as all of our staff, have worked closely with students to ensure they feel supported, and we will continue to prioritize care for one another as we move forward. Moments like this remind us of the importance of looking out for one another and the strength that comes from standing together as a community.

As we continue through this school year, I am continually encouraged by the accomplishments and growth demonstrated by our students and staff, and I know there are many great things on the horizon.

This winter, our high school drama club presented *SpongeBob The Musical*. The cast, crew, and advisors displayed continuous dedication to ensure it was a successful production. Opportunities like this continue to be an important avenue for student expression, confidence building, and personal growth.

Our athletic teams have also represented our school with pride. Across all competitions, our student-athletes have demonstrated resilience, discipline, and strong sportsmanship. While victories are certainly worth celebrating, what stands out most is the consistent effort and character displayed by our athletes and coaches. Their commitment to improvement and teamwork reflects the values we strive to instill throughout our school community.

Academically, we are proud to recognize the many students who earned Honor Roll and High Honor Roll distinction. These achievements reflect sustained effort, responsibility, and a commitment to academic excellence. Success in the classroom requires persistence and focus, and we commend our students for their dedication to their studies.

Most importantly, I am proud of the culture we continue to strengthen together. We have created a foundation of growth, reflection, and improvement. Each day, our students challenge themselves to do better than the day before, and our staff models that same commitment through thoughtful instruction and meaningful support.

Thank you to our families and community members for your ongoing partnership. Your support plays an essential role in the success of our students and our school.

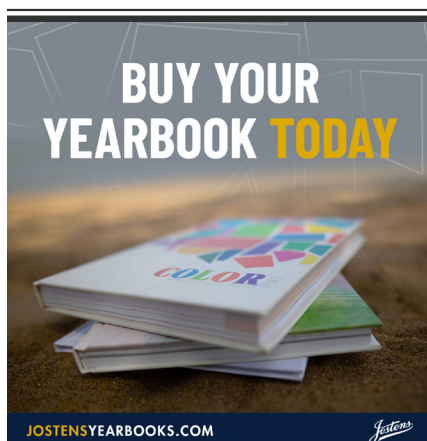
Together, we will continue to build on our accomplishments and strive to improve so that we may **Soar to Success!**

Sincerely,

Sanya Pelrah

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Jr./Sr. High School Principal



There is still time to purchase your copy of the 2025-2026 Remsonian or Remsonian Jr.

Orders can be made online at jostensyearbooks.com or by contacting Yearbook Advisors, Mrs. Dening or Mr. Winghart.



Scan to Order



WINTER *Pep Rally*

On Friday, January 30th, students and staff from the Jr./Sr. high school came together for a bit of Winter pep rally fun. The event was kicked off with an exciting Staff vs. Seniors volleyball game. The seniors dominated the volleyball court against our brave staff team. The staff put up a good fight, but were unable to serve up a win against the seniors. Following the volleyball game, students from each grade level competed in a series of fun pep rally games. One of the games challenged each class to work together as a team to move as many ping pong balls as possible across the gym using pieces of paper to make a chute. Other games included a balloon popping game, a hoop to hoop challenge and a Simon Says cone grabbing challenge. Students and staff had a great time at the pep rally.

Thank you to Mrs. Carpenter and the Student Council for planning and organizing the event and also to Mr. Glass for helping to coordinate the Staff vs. Seniors volleyball game.



One School, One Book

Mr. Popper's Penguins



On Monday, February 23rd, the elementary cafeteria buzzed with anticipation as students from Pre-K through sixth grade gathered for this year's One School, One Book kickoff. The event began with a mystery: students were asked questions to get them thinking about which story had been selected for reading this year.

The clues were everywhere! Principal Lamphere pointed out that the entire elementary staff was dressed in black and white, and students were treated to live zoo feeds featuring playful penguins from across the country. After a few clever guesses, the secret was revealed: this year's selection is the classic "Mr. Popper's Penguins" by Florence and Richard Atwater.

To ensure everyone could dive into the story right away, every student and staff member received their very own copy of the book and a One School, One Book bookmark. Over the next several weeks, classes will read three chapters weekly.

Principal Lamphere also explained that to make things even more special, there would be guest reader videos, weekly trivia challenges, and other activities.

Principal Lamphere set the pace by reading Chapters 1 and 2 aloud to the assembly, officially starting the reading journey.

Students also learned that the excitement will not end with the final page! Once the school finishes the book, the Remsen PTG will sponsor an incredible grand finale: two special trips to the movie theater for the entire school to watch the film adaptation of Mr. Popper's Penguins together.



Goaring with Positivity

Remsen Elementary
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

December

Cole Charbonneau
Paisley Wilcox
Sofia DeGrace
William Pett
Aria Hadar
Michael Santa Maria
Andrew Yousey
Natalie Muzio
Natalia Hrim
Paisley Kimsky
Zoey DeMala
Evalyn Nolan
Laken Kiniry
Annabelle Wilcox
Eliza Smith
Tessa Bronson

January

Peyton Wilcox
Owen Roczen
Mason Poczatek
Bentley Dooley
Silas Klosek
Maci Vasquez
Louisa Postol
Jane Quinn
Jacob Williams
Caitlin Battle
Bruce Vasquez
Conner Poczatek
Riley Miner
Brynnlee Bourgeois
Chase Ultsch
Brayden Mosher

February

Avary Burke
Odin Hadar
Vincenzo Barrett
Iyla Stacy
Evelyn Majewski
Carrick Strong
Landon Burns
Jamey Leary
Rhett Mayer
Renna Narbone
Jacob Wollaber
Hunter Moon
Tucker Hill
Carolyn Garcia
Forrest Linke
Emma Clapps

Dear Remsen Families,

As this newsletter reaches you we will be welcoming in March. I'm not sure how the school year has gone by so quickly! As we embark on these last 80 or so days of the 2025-2026 school year, please be reminded of how grateful I am to be part of your Remsen community.

The last month has been challenging for our students, staff, and entire community as we worked through a tragic event. I was truly amazed at the outpouring of support from our neighboring school districts, from staff who were there for our students, from students who were there for each other, and from the community as a whole. There is truly no place I would rather be!

Throughout the months of December, January, and February we remained very busy in the elementary school. Students celebrated the wonders of the holidays together with a Holiday Concert, the Sneaky Santa Shop, the Santa Trolley, classroom parties, a Holiday Spirit Week, and a visit from Santa himself. It was a wondrous month full of excitement!

January brought with it the opening of pre-kindergarten and kindergarten registration. Packets were picked up and should be returned before March 13, 2026. We held a Winter Spirit Week with lots of participation and fun. Second quarter report cards were sent home as well.

During the month of February we were able to celebrate our Second Quarter Evening of Excellence Award winners. The faculty/staff held an Underground Spirit Week in which we kept the students guessing as to what we may be wearing the next school day. Our Winter Break was held during the week of February 16th which gave everyone a chance to relax and reset.

We are back in full swing and have many exciting events coming up in March. Our elementary school will be reading Mr. Popper's Penguins and participating in several events that go along with the book. March 20th will be a day off for students as our faculty/staff participate in various training opportunities. It is also Music In Our Schools Month which culminates with an amazing schoolwide concert on March 25th! Please be on the lookout for announcements about these exciting events.

As we begin the second half of the school year, please know that your students are the most important part of my day. If you need anything or have questions please reach out at any time.

Sincerely,

Jody Lamphere

Jody Lamphere
Remsen Elementary Principal



Don't forget about Remsen Air Drop

For more information reach out to Emily Laurey, Melissa Polidori, or Maria Ultsch or visit the District website at www.remsencsd.org

Students and families can access the Remsen Air Drop by completing a confidential form online or in person that will indicate what they may need.

Resources include: basic hygiene items (soap, toothbrush, toothpaste), clothing, school supplies and food.



MEET OUR *Transportation Team*

A Dedicated Team, Committed to Serving Students and Staff Each Day by Getting Them Safely to Where They Need to Be



RCS Transportation Team

(From Left to Right)

Mr. Crossett (in the drivers seat), Mr. Grabowski, Mr. Willis, Ms. Salerno, Mr. Lankford, Ms. McCauley, Ms. Johnson, and Mr. Bessette

Not Pictured:

Mr. Stevens (Mechanic), Mr. Lachut, Ms. Rogers, Ms. Farber, and Mr. Quackenbush



KEEPING OUR KIDS SAFE



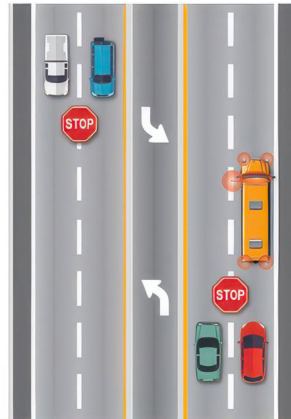
New York state has changed the laws regarding passing a school bus with its red lights flashing.

The Law Says

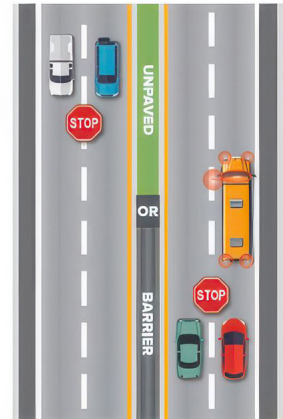
- It is illegal - and very dangerous - to pass a stopped school bus when the large red lights located on top of the bus are flashing. Flashing lights mean the bus is picking up or discharging students.
- You must stop whether you are approaching the school bus from the front or overtaking it from the rear.
- You must always stop for flashing red lights, even on divided and multilane highways and on school grounds.
- The first-time fine for illegally passing a school bus is a \$250 to \$400 fine, 8 points on your license, and/or possibly 30 days in jail.
- The second conviction in three years, you can lose your license and receive a fine of up to \$750 and/or possibly up to 180 days in jail.



TWO-LANE



MULTI-LANE PAVED ACROSS SHARED MEDIAN



DIVIDED HIGHWAY

Penalties for Passing a Stopped School Bus

By Conviction	Minimum Fine	Maximum Fine	Possible Imprisonment
First Conviction	\$250.00	\$400.00	Up to 30 days
Second Conviction (within 3 years)	\$600.00	\$750.00	Up to 180 days
Third or Subsequent Convictions (within 3 years)	\$750.00	\$1,000.00	Up to 180 days

REMEMBER

All vehicles must stop for a school bus when the red lights are flashing. This includes police, fire trucks, ambulances, and bicycles. Even on a divided four lane highway, all vehicles must stop. There are no exceptions that allow any vehicle to pass a school bus with its red lights flashing.

We have already had over 6 incidents this school year of vehicles passing Remsen school buses.

Please help us keep our children safe at the bus stop.



Ram Ticket Winners

Congratulations to our Ram Ticket Winners for Marking Period 2. Our winners were Blair Smith, Hayden Graves, Logan Leska, Lilly Bankert, and Adeline Biro. Each student won a \$25 gift card. Throughout each marking period, students earn Ram Tickets for being kind, participating in various activities, or in acknowledgment of other positive acts. Students place their tickets in the container for the gift card that they would like to win, and at the end of the marking period, a name is drawn.



PTG Sweetheart Dance

On Friday, February 27th, the Remsen PTG sponsored the first ever Sweetheart Dance for students in Pre-Kindergarten through third grade. Students and their families were invited to participate in this fun event.

The PTG provided a variety of activities for families to participate in, including crafts, a fun photo booth, and music for dancing.

Everyone had a great time! Thank you to the PTG for sponsoring this fun event.

Fun, 
Food,
Family,
 & Friends

YWCA

Community Educator



grader?" and were awarded a stress ball. Kevin was also on site to promote the Y's program, The Council for Boys and Young Men.

On February 23, 2026 YWCA Community Educator Kevin Morales provided an engaging activity for our students in the JSBS during their lunch periods. If students could sink a ping pong ball, they got to answer questions from "Are you Smarter than a 5th

The Council for Boys & Young Men

A strengths-based group approach to promote boys' and young men's safe and healthy passage through pre-teen and adolescent years. In this structured environment, participants gain the vital opportunity to address masculine definitions and behaviors and build capacities to find their innate value and create good lives individually and collectively.

Kevin provided consent forms for any students interested in participating. The Council will run for approximately 10 weeks during lunch periods and snacks will be provided.



Annual Oneida County Legislative Breakfast

Hosted by the Genesis Group, this event brings together locally Elected Officials with students from area school districts to discuss important issues and to outline goals for the new year.

"The Genesis group believes it's important for students to know their legislators and elected officials." Students gained knowledge concerning important community issues and opportunities, through their time listening to and interacting with local officials. Again this year, several students attended this special event with Mrs. Martin and Superintendent Jenny.



THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR

- Substitute Teachers
- Substitute Main Office Secretaries
- Substitute School Nurses
- Substitute Teaching Assistants
- Substitute Bus Drivers
- Substitute Cleaners

TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION, PLEASE VISIT THE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES SECTION AT WWW.REMSENCSD.ORG

On Tuesday, December 9th, some of our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students had the opportunity to participate in a holiday "Paint n' Punch" with Mrs. McEvoy's mother, Charlene Moody. Students each received their own canvas, donated by Mrs. Moody, and she helped guide students with their holiday paintings. Our students had a wonderful time and enjoyed having the opportunity to be creative with their holiday paintings.



Thank you to Mrs. Moody for coming in to provide this opportunity for our students!

In the
Classroom
just a glimpse of some of the great things going on at Remsen



On February 11th, Mrs. Taylor took her EN105 and journalist club students on a tour of WKTV. Kristen Copeland hosted the group and shared details on the many roles of being a reporter in a small newsroom like WKTV. She explained that she wears many hats, from producer to writer, and news anchor. She explained what a typical day looks like and the career paths available in broadcasting.

The students explored different technologies used to record news stories, both in the news studio and out in the field. The students also had the opportunity to sit at the news desk and interact with the green screen used during weather reports. Meteorologist Eric Gage showed the students how weather forecasts are created using maps, graphics, and data.

The visit concluded with the students watching a shortened noon broadcast featuring Steve McMurray, due to NBC's coverage of the Winter Olympics.

The trip provided students with a real-world look at journalism and broadcasting careers.

Checking In: *What's New in the Library?*

Since joining the team, as the school librarian, Mrs. Winghart has been working diligently to improve and enhance both the elementary and Jr./Sr. High libraries to make them more accessible, useful, and engaging for students.

In the Elementary, this has resulted in the reorganization of and "cleaning up" of our book collection, the purchase of new books that students and teachers have requested, and the introduction of new tools and activities into library classes. Students are engaging during library time by checking out books, reading (together or independently), learning computer skills, conducting research, participating in STEAM activities and so much more.

Updates and changes in the Jr./Sr. high school have been even more exciting, transforming the library into more of a "learning commons", a space where students can come to spend time independently or with peers to read, do homework, or play a quiet game.

In the Jr./Sr. high library, Mrs. Winghart has rearranged the library to open it up a bit and to provide opportunities for flexible learning spaces. The book collection has been "cleaned-up" and rearranged to be more accessible, and it is being updated regularly to bring in new content that our students and teachers are requesting.



OPEN LIBRARY HOURS

The library is now officially "open for business" with regular hours for both students and staff. Whether you need a quiet corner or a place to engage with friends, the library offers a welcoming space to:

- **Study & Research:** Access curated resources for your next big project.
- **Read & Relax:** Discover a new favorite world tucked away in our library bookshelves.
- **Play & Connect:** Challenge a classmate to one of our many new board games.



STRATEGY AND STITCHES: NEW CLUBS/GROUPS

Mrs. Winghart is proving that the library is about more than just silence. Two new student-activities are already gaining popularity:

- **The Crochet Club:** A creative space where students gather to learn the art of crochet, share patterns, and craft together.
- **Chess Group:** Thanks to the purchase of several new chess boards, students can now sharpen their strategic thinking during open library hours. Whether you're a grandmaster or a beginner, there's a seat at the table for you.

Beyond the activities, Mrs. Winghart also wants to be a partner in the classroom. She looks for opportunities to collaborate with teachers to integrate library resources into the curriculum and ensure students have the tools they need to succeed.

Her mission is simple: Get books into hands and encourage a love of reading and learning.



Remsen Jr./Sr. High Science Fair

The annual Jr./Sr. High Science Fair took place on Wednesday, February 25th. Students in grades 7 and 8, as well as select students from grades 9-12, presented their projects that they have been working hard on.

To kick off the event, Mr. Stayton, from OHM BOCES and Remsen senior, Ellie Secor, each provided brief opening remarks, providing an account of their backgrounds and experience in science and encouraging students in their own pursuit of science and learning.

Following the opening remarks, each student, or pair of students, made their way to their presentation boards to answer questions and explain their work to science fair participants, including: other students, teachers, judges and community members.

Each year, students are selected from the Remsen Science fair to move on to participate in the Utica University Science Fair. These students will be announced at a later date.





On March 5th, 6th, and 7th, the Remsen Jr./Sr. High School Drama Club transported audiences to a world of bubbles, friendship, and undersea adventure with their production of *The SpongeBob Musical*. After months of tireless rehearsal and set construction, the cast and crew delivered an outstanding performance that left family, friends, and community members cheering.

Cast and Crew

SpongeBob Squarepants.....	Cassidy Kerr
Sandy Cheeks.....	Greta Burdell
Squidward Q. Tentacles.....	Owen Piaschyk
Patrick Star.....	Trent Jenny
Sheldon J. Plankton.....	Raymond Natalini
Pearl Krabs.....	Jasmine Colón
Eugene H. Krabs.....	Grayson White
French Narrator.....	Lacey Green
Larry the Lobster.....	Ciarra Wendell
Mayor Of Bikini Bottom.....	Jayde Hammill
Perch Perkins.....	Blair Smith
Patchy Pirate.....	Mr. Pietruch
Karen the Computer.....	Isabella Wilcox
Old Man Jenkins.....	Alex Flint
Mrs. Puff.....	Emmelia Smith
Security Guard #1.....	Mr. Winghart
Security Guard #2.....	Mr. O'Bryan

Sardines/ Plankton Dancers

Lilly Bankert, Hannah Winghart, Dallas Jacobs, Karma Rudd, Solair Poirier

Electric Skates

Willow DeLand, Alex Flint and Adeline Biro

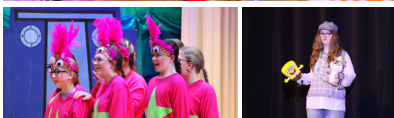
Pirates

Emma Clapps, Dakota Reynolds, Peyton Millick, Riley Miner, Presley Stooks, Eliza Smith, Emily Smith, Avonlea Scouten, Fisher Wilcox

Music Director - Mr. Anthony Dangler
Artistic Director - Mr. Kayden Lamphere
Choreographer - Ms. Tara O'Bryan
Set Designer - Mr. Kayden Lamphere
Set Construction - Mr. Mark Harlander
Costume Design - Ms. Sherry Taylor
Sound - Hunter Wilcox
Stage Manager - Chloe Matt

Stage Crew

Chloe Matt, Lacey Green, Cynthia Poczatek, Christian Whitaker, Hunter Wilcox, Madelyn Piekieniak, Mckenzie Myers, Emily Spatto, Lydia Gates



Second Quarter Evening of Excellence

Honor Roll

ANDREW BANKERT	LUCY MAJEWSKI
BRYNNLEE BOURGEOIS	PEYTON MILLICK
EMALYN BURNS	RILEY MINER
EMMA CLAPPS	VINCENT MONTEGARI
PAISLEY CLAPPS	EMILY MOONEY
ZOEY DEMALA	LUKE MURPHY
MARK DUTCH	AMELIA PIETRUCH
KALEESI FELSHAW	KALEN POULIOT
JASON GUO	COLE ROTACH
TUCKER HILL	AVONLEA SCOUTEN
LEAH HOUCK	ADRIAN SMITH
HALEY HUISING	MAXWELL SPADARO
JACKSON LAUREY	PRESLEY STOOKS
EMMA LEHMAN	CHASE ULTSCH
KAIDENCE MAINE	JACOB WOLLABER

High Honor Roll

CARSON BRONSON
 TESSA BRONSON
 HOLLY DALTON
 SYLAS DAVENPORT
 ELIZABETH DUTCH
 NATHANIEL GATES
 JACKSON JENNY
 LAKEN KINIRY
 DANIEL KOZAK JR.
 EMERSON LABELLA
 ANDREW PETSCHAUER
 ELIZA SMITH
 EMILY SMITH
 COREY WHALEY

School Citizenship Award

NATHAN ROTACH	ZOEY DEMALA
CHARLOTTE ATANASOFF	EMILY MOONEY
LAWRENCE COULTHART	ANDREW BANKERT
LYDIA SIEFERT	SYLAS DAVENPORT
SAWYER SOUTHWICK	JACKSON LAUREY
VIOLET WILLIAMS	HOLLY DALTON
NATALIE MUZIO	MARKUS STACY
AVERY PLOSS	PAISLEY KIMSKY
COLTON SYPOLT	ALEX HUDYNCA

Soaring to Success

AUBRIE RANDAZZO	GARRETT MIAZGA
BEAU BESSMER	COLE ROTACH
DECLAN MYERS	AVONLEA SCOUTEN
TROY VREDENBERG	BRYNNLEE BOURGEOIS
ELLIANA BEHR	ODIN RAYMONDA
ANDREW YOUSEY	LUKE MURPHY
SARAH WINGHART	WESLEY WALKER
ADELA PUTNAM	BRENNA MAYER
PAISLEY KIMSKY	MAXL MAINE

Participation and Sportsmanship

CARRICK STRONG
 HOLLY DALTON

Art Star Award

LAWRENCE COULTHART
 DANIEL KOZAK

Performance Arts Award

SAYLOR GELATT
 PRESLEY STOOKS

Legendary Library Award

JASMINE HORSTMAN
 SYLAS DAVENPORT

Alumni Association Award

ALEXANDREA SANTA MARIA	WESTON SYPOLT	AVERIE STACY
KAIDENCE MAINE	COREY WHALEY	VINCENT MONTEGARI

Quarter 2

Evening of Excellence

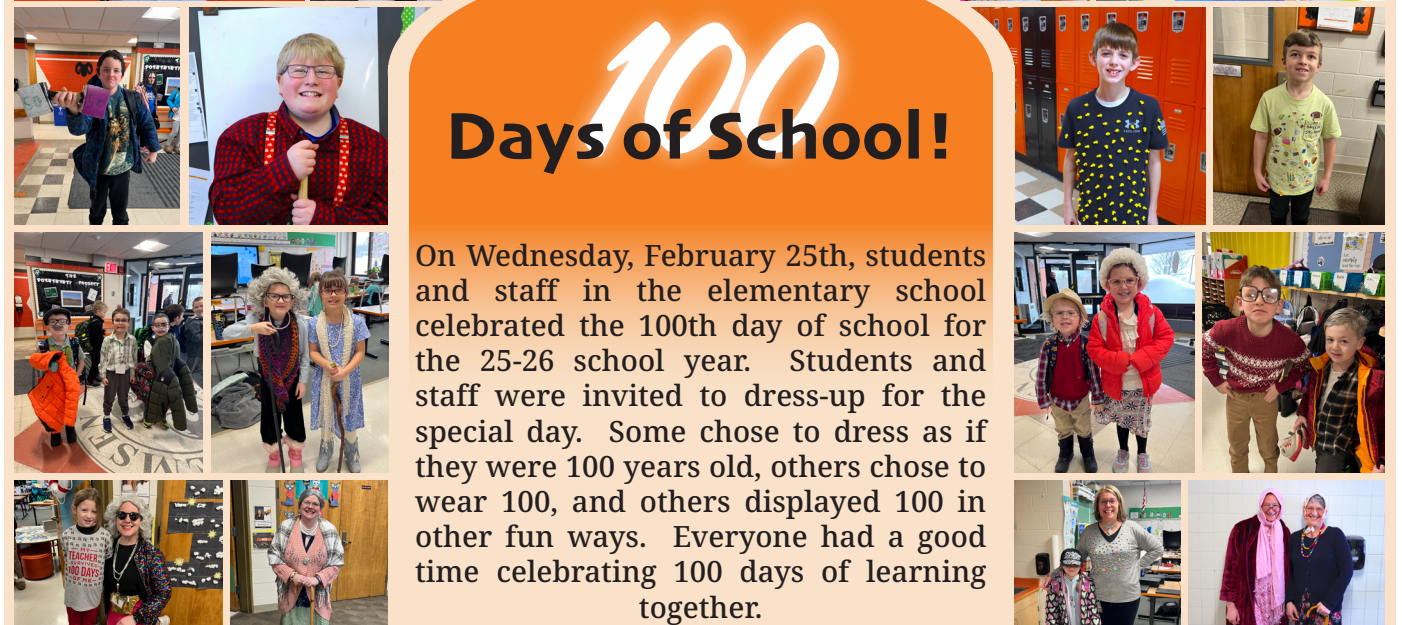
On Wednesday, February 4, Remsen Elementary hosted its second quarter Evening of Excellence, welcoming students and their families to celebrate a season of outstanding achievement.

Throughout the evening, over 80 awards were presented to students from Pre-K through Grade 6, recognizing their academic growth, artistic talents, and character. The ceremony highlighted achievements in various categories, including Honor Roll and High Honor Roll, School Citizenship, and Soaring to Success. Students were also honored with the Participation and Sportsmanship, Performing Arts, Art Star, Legendary Library, and the prestigious Alumni Association awards.

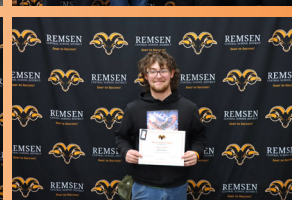


100 Days of School!

On Wednesday, February 25th, students and staff in the elementary school celebrated the 100th day of school for the 25-26 school year. Students and staff were invited to dress-up for the special day. Some chose to dress as if they were 100 years old, others chose to wear 100, and others displayed 100 in other fun ways. Everyone had a good time celebrating 100 days of learning together.



Soar to Success!



Jr./Sr. High QUARTER TWO Honor Roll Celebration

On Thursday, February 26th, Principal Pelrah and Ms. Dineen presented students in grades 7 through 12 with awards at the second quarter Honor Roll Celebration assemblies.

Students were called to the Library Media Center by grade for the assemblies. Awards were presented for Honor Roll, High Honor Roll, Student of the Quarter, and Most Improved. Along with their certificates, each award recipient also received a Ram Buck to be used towards the quarterly raffles.

Congratulations to all of our award recipients, keep up the great work!

NHS Community Service Project



The National Honor Society collected donations for the Rome Humane Society as their 2nd quarter Community Service project. Donations were collected from January, 5th through Friday, January 16th. Emily Shufelt and Regan Meeker delivered the donations to the Humane Society for the National Honor Society.

Thank you to everyone that donated!

REMSSEN JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Honor Roll Celebration

Quarter Two

HONOR ROLL

Spencer Anderson	Shea Mundell
Daniel Burdell	Julia Natalini
Blake Carnright	Michael Nelson Jr.
Erica Carnright	Connor Nelson
Angelina DelGuidice	Cynthia Poczatek
Tiarra Fox	Kole Poczatek
Lydia Gates	Henry Putnam
Morgan Gates	Waylon Rapson
Tanner Hill	Tyler Stevens
Serenity Hinkley	Rosalie Walker
Logan Houck	Anthony Warner
Ella LaFave	Claire Whaley
Glen LaFave	Hannah Winghart
Alannah Lawlor	Zachary Yousey

HIGH HONOR ROLL

Sienna Aiken	Morgan Horn	Ashley Roberts
Lilly Bankert	Trent Jenny	Reese Rowlands
Anna Becker	Olivia Johnson	Mikhael Samoshuk
Ethan Behr	Ethan Karis	Tucker Scouten
Adeline Biro	Marissa Karis	Ellie Secor
Jameson Bray	Daniel Kaufman	Evelyn Shew
Greta Burdell	Jackson LaBella	Emily Shufelt
Grace Dalton	Mason LaBella	Blair Smith
Arynn Day	Olivia Lalyer	Emmelia Smith
Willow DeLand	Nathan Leska	Evann Smith
Hayleigh Elliott	Chloee Matt	Jacob Southwick
Alexandria Flint	Chelsea McCauley	Molly Southwick
John Gates Jr.	Regan Meeker	Emily Spatto
Bryce Graves	Marissa Morris	Ella Staskoski
Hayden Graves	Lexxis Mosher	Charles Treen-Goff
Lacey Green	Taylor Murphy	Gardner Walker IV
Jia Zheng Guo	Gavin Nelson	Tristan Warner
Jayde Hammill	Alexis Petteys	Grayson White
Brooklyn Helmer	Jasmine Petteys	Isabella Wilcox
Chase Helmer	Owen Piaschyk	Jaedyn Wilcox
Kailyn Helmer	Madelyn Prosser	Makayla Wilcox
Reagan Helmer	Brygit Pruitt	Madison Wollaber
Sara Hill	Jeweliet Pruitt	Sophia Yager
Noah Homs	Wyatt Rapson	



STUDENT OF THE QUARTER

Lilly Bankert	Alexis Petteys
Adeline Biro	Owen Piaschyk
Greta Burdell	Tucker Scouten
Bryce Graves	Emmelia Smith
Brooklyn Helmer	Claire Whaley
Jackson LaBella	Isabella Wilcox
Ella LaFave	Makayla Wilcox
Chelsea McCauley	Hannah Winghart
Shea Mundell	Madison Wollaber
Eva Newland	Zach Yousey

MOST IMPROVED

Leah Doolan	Brygit Pruitt
Elijah Garcia	Waylon Rapson
Morgan Gates	Karma Rudd
Lacey Green	Tyler Stevens
Adam Hill	Jaycob Wagner
Riley Horn	Levi Walker
Kaydence Kozak	Claire Whaley
Hunter Navratil	Easton White
Eva Newland	Hunter Wilcox
Alexis Petteys	Hannah Winghart



//////////////////// WORLD READ ALOUD DAY //////////////////////

On Thursday, March 5th, students in the elementary and middle school participated in activities to celebrate World Read Aloud Day. World Read Aloud Day was started in 2010 and is celebrated today in 170+ countries around the world. This special day, set aside to celebrate reading aloud together, is typically held on the first Wednesday of February each year.

To celebrate this year, students in grades 1 and 2 were invited to the Jr./Sr. high school to work with our students in grades 7 and 8. Younger students were paired with older students, with grades 1 and 7 working together and grades 2 and 8 working together. Our 1st and 7th grade students began in the cafeteria coloring bookmarks and enjoying a yummy snack, while grades 2 and 8 read together in the library. The two groups then switched so that each group was able to participate in both activities.

Our older students did a wonderful job reading with our younger students and many of our first and second grade students chose to read aloud to their older reading partners. Everyone seemed to be enjoying the reading time together. Thank you to Mrs. Winghart, Principal Pelrah and Principal Lamphere for planning and facilitating this event. Thank you also to all of the classroom teachers from both the elementary and middle school that were with their students and participated in the event as well.



Leadership Development Events

We are proud to recognize our students who placed in the **Top 6** at the FFA District 5 Leadership Development Events. These students will be advancing to the Substate Competition in March!

Molly Southwick — Senior Extemporaneous Speaking

Students draw an agricultural topic and have a short time to prepare and deliver an informed, well-organized speech.



Trent Jenny — Senior Creed Speaking

Participants recite the FFA Creed from memory and answer questions that demonstrate their understanding of agriculture, leadership, and personal growth.



Trent Jenny — Senior Prepared Speaking

Students research and present an original speech on an agricultural issue. Trent's speech focused on Regenerative Agriculture Practices and their impact on sustainability and soil health.

Please join us in congratulating these hardworking students on their accomplishments and wishing them the best of luck at Substates!

Junior High Area All-State



The Zone 4 Junior High Area All-State Festival took place at Camden Middle School on January 30th and 31st. Remsen had four musicians participate in the event this year. Cassidy Kerr, Jasmine Colón, Jayde Hammill, and Willow DeLand participated in the event representing Remsen.

To be considered for JH Area All-State, students are required to perform a solo at last year's NYSSMA Solo Festival. A NYSSMA adjudicator evaluates the performances, assigns a rating, and provides feedback. These evaluations, along with a teacher

recommendation, go to the NYSSMA Zone 4 Area All-State selection committee for consideration.

Congratulations to Cassidy, Jasmine, Jayde, and Willow for being selected and for representing Remsen in the Junior High Area All-State Festival!



On Tuesday, February 10th, after recognition of the visiting seniors from Stockbridge Valley, Athletic Director Dale Denning called our Remsen seniors and their families forward to center court. We are incredibly proud to recognize the following students for their hard work and commitment:

Basketball

Regan Meeker
Kole Poczatek
Emily Shufelt

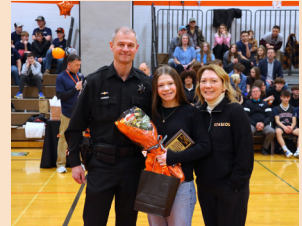


Indoor Track

Johnathan Dickenson
Burke Gates
Ashton Grower
Morgan Horn
Ethan Karis
Gavin Nelson

Gymnastics

Ella Staskoski



WINTER SPORTS SENIOR NIGHTS

Volleyball

On Monday, February 2, the Remsen Varsity Volleyball team hosted a special pre-match ceremony to honor senior players from both Remsen and Town of Webb. The evening began by recognizing the four seniors from Town of Webb.

Coach Piaschyk then invited our own seniors and their families to the court to be recognized. We are incredibly proud to celebrate this year's Remsen seniors: Angelina DelGuidice, Sienna Aiken, Eva Newland, Jaiden Maher, Jeweliet Pruitt, Brygit Pruitt, and Ashley Roberts.



REMSSEN ATHLETICS

CSC DIVISION III

League Champions



For the fourth consecutive year, the boys Indoor Track team has won the Center State Conference League Championship.

Individual winners and league all-stars were Preston Corn, Ethan Karis, Glen LaFave, Jackson LaBella, Michael Nelson, and Gavin Nelson. Congratulations to Gavin Nelson and Ashton Grower who broke the school records in the pole vault and weight throw. Also, the 4 x 200 meter relay record was broken by Glen LaFave, Michael Nelson, Preston Corn and Ethan Karis.

Great job boys!

"Best Track Athletes of the Meet"

Each year only two athletes from CSC Division III are selected as the "Best Track Athletes of the Meet." This year CSC coaches selected Marissa Karis and Preston Corn for those two coveted spots. Marissa and Preston were considered the top performers at the CSC League Championship. Congratulations!



1ST TEAM LEAGUE ALL-STARS

The following Indoor Track athletes were selected as 1st Team League All-Stars:

- Preston Corn
- Ethan Karis
- Glen LaFave
- Jackson LaBella
- Michael Nelson
- Gavin Nelson
- Colin Jones
- Ashton Grower
- Burke Gates
- Marissa Karis
- Riley Horn
- Ella LaFave
- Morgan Horn

Congratulations to our indoor track athletes!

Coaches vs. Cancer

On Thursday, February 5th, Remsen JV and Varsity Boys Basketball teams competed against Poland CSD in the annual Coaches vs. Cancer games organized by the Remsen Sports Boosters. This event is organized each year to help raise funds to support the fight against cancer. Funds raised through t-shirt sales, donations, and a 50/50 raffle go to support cancer research. Thank you to the Sports Boosters for organizing this wonderful event each year.

In addition to being the annual Coaches vs. Cancer game, the Varsity game was also being played in memory of our dear friend and student, Rykah Lyons. Just before the start of the Varsity game, Athletic Director, Dale Dening shared a few words in honor of Rykah and asked that those in attendance pause to observe a moment of silence in memory of Rykah. Both Remsen and Poland showed up to play a great game and to honor the memory of their fellow athlete. Our Varsity boys played their hearts out for Rykah and won a hard fought victory in his memory.



A Very Successful Season for Varsity Volleyball!

The Remsen Varsity Volleyball team had a tremendous season this year. We were very successful both on and off the court. We finished the season as co-league champions of Section 3 Class D with a league record of 9-1. We finished second place overall in our section just .003 away from 1st place. Our overall record was 16-4 which includes our sectional semi-final loss to Tully. Tully went on to win sectionals, but we are confident that if it had been us in the finals, we would have dominated ODY!



We had two special volleyball nights this season. One of which, we honored the amazing teachers and staff members at Remsen school. We appreciate everything the school community does for us. From helping us be successful in the classroom, cheering us on at games, asking us how our season is going and even supplying us with sectional goody bags, the school knows how to support their student athletes. We also had another successful Sets For Pets event in which we raised \$816 and a surplus of pet supplies for the Anita Steven Swan Humane Society. Thank you to the Remsen Community for all of your support.

What I am most proud of this season is the way this team showed up for one another. They supported each other both on and off the court in countless ways. As you are aware, our school suffered the tragic loss of Rykah Lyons at the very end of our season. Rykah was a close friend to many members of this team. The girls took this heartbreaking loss and continued to work hard toward their goal of making sectional finals. They never quit on themselves or each other. They lifted one another up. These lessons will extend much further in life than the lessons we learned on the court. We learned how to lean in to one another for support when we needed it most. The team would also like to thank the Town of Webb Volleyball team for having a benefit game in honor of Rykah in which they raised money for the family. This support was much appreciated by the team and the community.

- Coach Piaschyk

Sets for Pets



On Thursday, January 22nd, the Remsen volleyball teams hosted their 4th annual Sets for Pets volleyball game. Both the JV team and Varsity team earned a win over Morrisville. At the game, our girls wore special shirts sponsored by the sports boosters. During the event, donations were collected, a 50/50 raffle was held and there was also a teddy bear toss.

On January 28th, the teams were able to drop off the donations that were collected and had the opportunity to visit with some of the animals at the humane society. We are happy to report that with the help of the sports boosters, and a generous donation back from the 50/50 raffle, \$817 was raised for the Anita Steven Swan Humane Society. Thank you to the community for your continued support.



Super-G Success



Evann Smith, an 8th-grade student at Remsen Jr./Sr. High School and a member of the McCauley Mountain Polar Bear ski team, delivered a standout performance at the Super G State Championships held at Gore Mountain on February 22. Competing in a highly competitive field of 125 athletes, Smith claimed 16th place overall, an outstanding achievement.

The Super G (Super Giant Slalom) is known for its high speeds and long, sweeping turns, requiring both technical skill and immense courage. Smith, who has been racing competitively for three years, demonstrated remarkable growth and consistency on the challenging Gore Mountain terrain. His 16th-place finish marks a significant milestone in his young career, solidified by his ability to compete among the elite tier of New York State's youth alpine racers.

Smith's achievement brings pride to the Remsen and Old Forge communities as he continues his upward trajectory in the sport.

We wish you the best of luck Evann in the rest of your races this season and beyond!





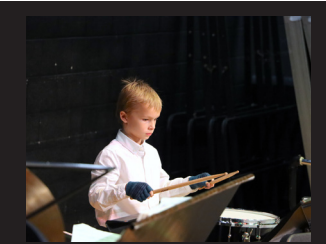
The Wizard of Oz: The Deleted Scene



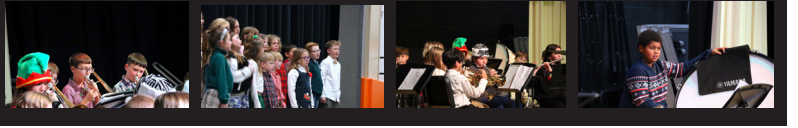
On Friday, February 6th, the Elementary Drama Club performed *The Wizard of Oz: The Deleted Scene* by Eddie McPherson for family and friends. Students in grades 5 and 6 acted out the fun tale telling the story of what might have happened if Dorothy were to get side tracked, taking an alternate route to the Emerald City. The tale includes the memorable characters from the *Wizard of Oz*, but also includes cameo appearances from Hansel and Gretel, Jack and Jill, and others.



Students did a wonderful job with this fun story. Thank you to our Drama Club members, Mr. Pietruch, Mr. Dangler and sound and stage support from several Jr./Sr. high school students.



Pre-K through Grade 6 Holiday Concert



On Thursday, December 11th, the RCS music department presented the Pre-K through Grade 6 Holiday concert. Just before the program, those in attendance were also surprised with a special visit from Santa, welcoming everyone and wishing all a very Merry Christmas.

During the program, students in pre-k through grade three performed a fun selection of holiday and winter themed songs that they had been practicing during music classes over the past several weeks. Our beginner band and chorus ensembles performed for their first time and did a wonderful job. The advanced band and chorus, made up of 5th and 6th grade students, brought the audience a great selection of music. It was a very festive evening full of great music and holiday cheer.





Grades 7-12 Holiday Concert

On Wednesday, December 17th, the RCS Music Department presented their Grades 7-12 Holiday Concert. Throughout the evening, our jr. and sr. high school ensembles performed a fantastic selection of winter and holiday themed music. We heard from our jr. high chorus and band, as well as from our sr. high band and chorus, with opportunities for audience participation during the performance of Carol of the Bells and Christmas "Pop" Sing-A-Long. The concert was a very fun and festive event, full of wonderful music and holiday cheer.

Snowball Semi-Formal



The annual Snowball was held on Saturday, January 10th at 7:00 PM. Several students from the Jr./Sr. high attended the event. In addition to a fun evening of dancing, students enjoyed playing Cornhole and competing in Limbo and an exciting dance-off. Thank you to Mrs. Taylor and the Class of 2027 for planning and sponsoring this event.





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All Remsen students will Soar to Success.