



## MATAWAN-ABERDEEN CONNECTIONS

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STRATHMORE NEWSLETTER

### **Straight From Strathmore**

**Hootline News - Sunday, April 12, 2026**



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#### **Important Links**

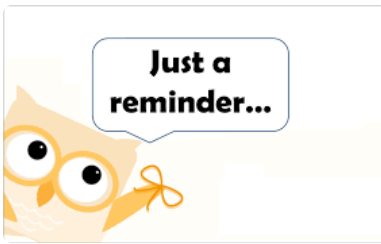
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## Reminders



### SmartWatches / Devices

Please remember personal smart devices and smartwatches must be kept in your child's backpack or school bag at all times.

Our district policy, MARSD SmartPhone/Mobile Device Policy #5516.02, applies to all personal devices, including smartwatches, to reduce distractions and promote face-to-face interactions. You can review the full policy ([#5516.02](#)) on the district website for complete details.

### Student Supervision and Equipment Use

For the safety of all children, students must be supervised by an adult at all times while on school grounds – including playground areas – before and after school hours. Please do not drop your child off on campus prior to the doors opening, as there is no supervision available. Additionally, we ask that students use all playground equipment appropriately and responsibly, even during after-school hours. Thank you for helping us keep our school a safe environment for everyone.

### Parking at Dismissal

With the warmer weather upon us, many families are staying on school grounds after dismissal. We ask that you please do not leave your vehicle unattended while blocking other vehicles. There have been several instances where staff have been unable to leave campus due to unattended vehicles.

Additionally, please do not park in spots marked with signage (*reserved, Service Professional of the Year, etc.*).

### Health Communication

Please keep Nurse Mallozzi informed of any health/medical issues/concerns as they arise. When medical restrictions/accommodations are required, please provide documentation from a physician upon your child's return to school.



### Save the Date

- Strathmore's Annual school-wide Fun Day is scheduled for Thursday, June 11th (rain date June 15th).
- Our Kindergarten Celebrations will be held on Tuesday, June 9th. Details regarding class times will follow.
- Our preschool students will participate in small stepping-up activities on June 12th. Details will be shared out with families by the classroom teacher.

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## Field Trip Season

Spring brings many exciting learning experiences for our students, including field trips. This month, our preschool students will take a walking tour of Main Street. As part of our community theme, this trip gives children the opportunity to see how local helpers and businesses work together to support everyday life. Our Kindergarten students will visit Historic Longstreet Farm who's mission is to promote an appreciation for Monmouth County farm life at the end of the 19th century, In May, our second grade students will travel to the Manasquan Reservoir, an immersive outdoor educational experience focusing on wetlands ecology, wildlife, and water conservation. And our third grade students are returning to Infoage Science Museum, an immersive, hands-on STEAM experience on a historic 27-acre former military base.

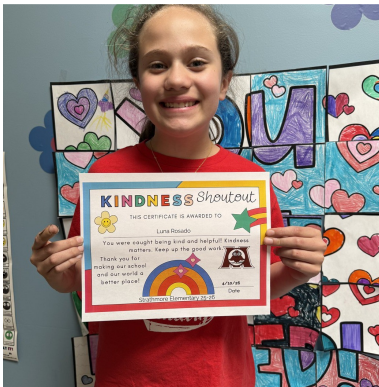
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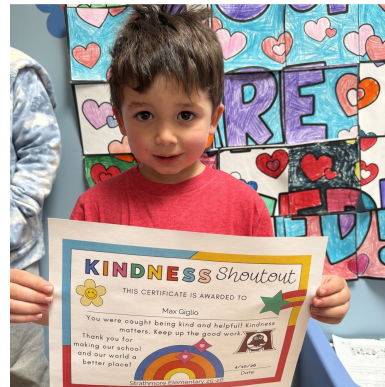
## Strathmore Snapshots

### Kindness Ticket Recipients - 4/10/26

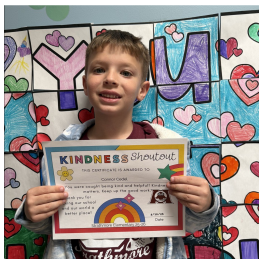
Congratulations to this week's Kindness Ticket winners, drawn from this week's collection of tickets for showing kindness, respect, and positivity in our school community. Thank you for making our school and our world a better place!



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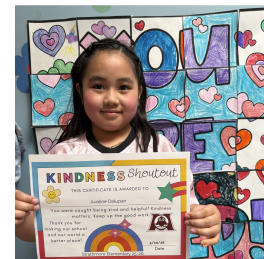
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## Third Grade NJSLA Testing

Third graders will take the New Jersey Student Learning Assessment (NJSLA) this spring. Testing dates are outlined below:

- **ELA:** April 28, 29, 30
- **Math:** May 5, 6,

**Attendance is crucial during testing dates.** We kindly ask that you not schedule appointments, trips, or vacations on these days. Students who miss testing sessions will need to complete makeup testing, which requires pulling them from their regular classroom instruction and can be disruptive to their learning routine.

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### Third Grade Class Picture



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## Third Grade Show

**3RD GRADE**  
**CLASS PICTURE DAY!**

**Hey 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders!**  
Get ready to smile big!  
Our class picture day is coming up!

**Date:**  
**April 15**

**What to Wear:**  
Your **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Shirt**

Make sure to wear your special shirt so we can all match and look amazing in our class photo!

- ★ Comb your hair 
- ★ Bring your best smile 
- ★ Be ready to say **"CHEESE!"**

**Say Cheese!**

**We can't wait to capture this fun memory together!**



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This year's show will be held on May 20th at Matawan Regional High School. Details regarding rehearsal, show attire and ticket distribution will be shared in the coming weeks.



Mr. Ebersole proudly presents:

**STRATHMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S**

**MAGICAL MELODIES**

**2026 Third Grade Concert**

**Wednesday, May 20th, 2026**

**6:30 PM @ Matawan Reg. High School**

**Featuring Songs from:**

**MOANA**

**TOY STORY**

**ENCANTO**

**MARY POPPINS**

**and MORE!**

**BE OUR GUEST FOR THIS  
MAGICAL EVENING**



Mrs. Munice, our Art Teacher, is requesting your help.  
She is in need of recycled materials for upcoming projects.

# Recycled Materials Needed!

**All Strathmore Families:** Please start saving plastic bottle caps (all colors and sizes needed!) and "squeeze pouch" tops for an upcoming school-wide collaborative project. These can be sent in (washed and dry please) to our art teacher, Ms. Munice, any time during the month of March.  
Thank you for your help!



**All Second Grade Families:** Our second grade students will need 20 ounce plastic bottles for an upcoming project. Please start sending these in to Ms. Munice any time before Spring Break. (Please be sure they are rinsed out and dry.) We will let you know once we've collected enough. Thank you!

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## Matawan Borough Summer Rec Camp 2026

Click the flyer for details on the Matawan Borough Summer Rec Camp 2026

Matawan Borough Recreation Commission Announces

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Matawan Borough Recreation Commission  
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# SUMMER REC CAMP 2026

For Kids K-6th Grades



### NEW THIS YEAR

Sports Activities  
Coordinator  
for mini clinics & games  
Snapology 4-6grds  
Creature Creator  
Robotics & Coding  
More Special Events

### BACK AGAIN

Obstacle Challenge  
Kickball tournament  
Snapology 1-3grds  
Pizza Party  
Arts 'n Crafts

### SPECIAL EVENTS

Water Days  
Ices/Ice Cream Days  
Assemblies  
Movies  
Theme Days  
Trips

**JUNE 29 - AUG 7**

**RAVINE DRIVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
M-F, 9 AM - 1 PM**

**Matawan Resident  
Registration opens  
3/18 at 9:00 am  
\$650 per child**

**Non-Resident  
Registration opens  
3/23 at 9:00 am  
\$750 per child**

Registration Link and QR code will be posted on 3/18 at 9 am on our FB (Borough of Matawan), Instagram (@MatawanBorough), and matawanborough.com

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## PTO Happenings

# STRATHMORE PTO

## What's coming up...



### MUFFINS WITH MOM

Thursday, May 7th

Join us to celebrate moms, aunts, grandmas or any special lady in your child's life! Registration is now open on Givebacks, see the flyer below for details.

Registration is required, signup closes Friday, 5/1.

### ART TO REMEMBER

Order by Tuesday, 4/14!

Don't forget to place your order for FREE delivery to the school! Enjoy your child's artwork on a keepsake product with proceeds benefitting the PTO. Orders should arrive at school around 5/5.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

3/30-4/3: Spring Break!

4/8: PTO Meeting 7PM

4/10: Spirit Day

4/14: Art to Remember deadline

4/29: Lip Sync Rehearsal

4/30-5/1: School Store

5/1: Spirit Day

5/1: Muffins with Mom registration deadline

5/7: Muffins with Mom

5/8: Plant Sale

### LIP SYNC REMINDERS

- T-shirt orders are due by April 1st.
- Ticket sales for PERFORMERS ONLY are now live on Givebacks (see flyer below). Sale closes April 15th.
- Tickets for the public will go on sale at a later date, with a limited capacity based on space.
- First rehearsal date is 4/29.

Enjoy break.  
see you  
Monday, 4/6!



Scan the QR code to join, shop or get involved, or visit <https://strathmoreespto.givebacks.com>

PLEASE CONSIDER BECOMING A PART OF THE PTO TODAY!

Save the date!  
Plant Sale  
May 8th



### Lip Sync 2026 Tickets (Performers ONLY)

Performers' families can now purchase tickets to attend the Lip Sync show!

Each family is allowed to order up to 8 tickets. Tickets for friends and others excited to see the kids perform will be available at an upcoming date. The sale for performer's families will close on April 15th or when capacity is reached (whichever happens first). Additional tickets may be



### Muffins with Mom 2026

Bring mom, grandma, aunt, or any special lady for a sweet celebration to honor the women who make our lives brighter!

Thursday, May 7th -

SESSION 1 (Pre-K, K and 1st)  
6:30-7:15pm

SESSION 2 (2nd & 3rd) 7:30-  
8:15pm



### click image for details

Art to Remember helps parents and schools preserve children's artwork, Art to Remember helps parents and schooloney for art education with custom printed keepsakes

purchased once they are open to the public. The limit per family is 8 tickets. ANY ORDERS FOR MORE THAN 8 TICKETS WILL BE CANCELED.

### **Givebacks**

Visit the Givebacks website to stay up to date on the PTO, events and fundraisers. [Click here](#) to visit the Givebacks website.

### **Get Involved**

Check out Strathmore's [PTO page](#) on the district website, where you can find information on how to connect. The PTO meets every other month in the Strathmore Library at 7:00 PM. Remaining meeting dates for the year are April 8, and June 3.



### **Submit a Story**

Do you have good news to share about a student, staff member, team or club? The district is always looking for opportunities to share school-community connections! Use this [Google Form](#) to tell us about it. We may feature it in some way on the district's newsletter or social media!



### **Catch a glimpse inside our school on our Instagram page**



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Kidz Korner · Polar Bear Song!



Follow us at [strathmore\\_school\\_aberdeen](https://www.instagram.com/strathmore_school_aberdeen)

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## Important Dates

- April 13-17: Week of the Young Child
- April 14: MP3 ends
- April 24: PK Field Trip
- April 27: BoE Meeting, CLES
- April 28-30: NJSLA (ELA)
- April 30: Kindergarten Field Trip
- April 30-May 1: School Store



CONNECTING OUR COMMUNITIES



**Matawan-Aberdeen Regional**  
School District

