J-T Elementary Newsletter

Home of the Wildcats *October 23, 2026*

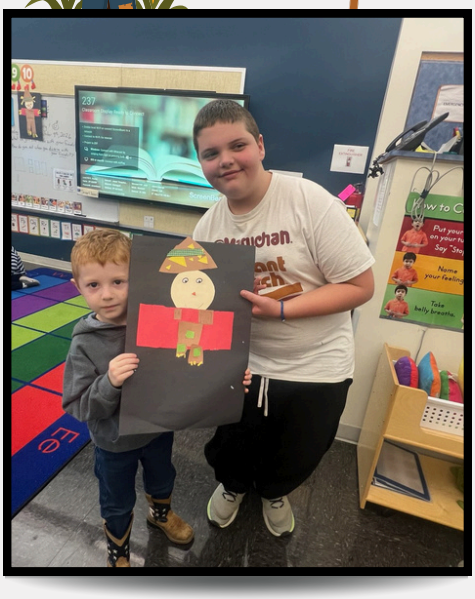
Report cards, i-Ready reports, state assessment results, and other important information will be sent to parents/guardians through ParentSquare.
Please check your messages regularly to stay informed.

Coming up in Wildcat Nation ...

October 30	Halloween Parade
November 3	Elem Clubs/Group Picture Day
November 6	End of 10 Weeks
November 10	Parent-Teacher Conferences (No School for Students)
November 11	Veterans Day (No School)
November 18	Board of Education Meeting

INSIDE THE CLASSROOMS

Paw Pal Fun with Pre-K and Mrs. Rowe's Class!



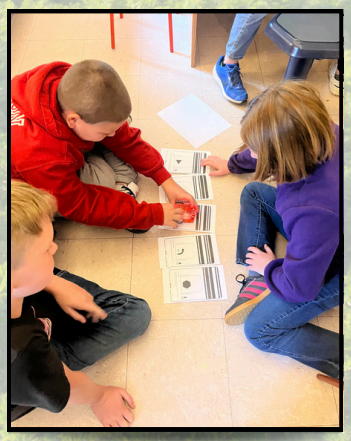
Cornell Cooperative Extension

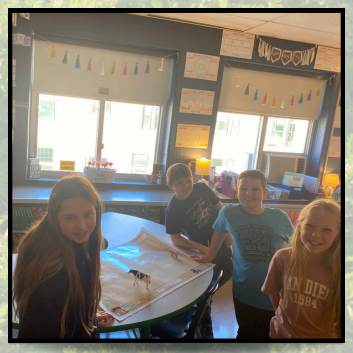
Bringing Technology to the Farm

AG IN THE CLASSROOM

Each month, *Cornell Cooperative Extension* visits our classrooms to introduce students to a variety of agricultural topics and help them explore the important role agriculture plays in our everyday lives.

This month, students discovered how modern farms use technology, including robots, to help complete everyday tasks more efficiently. After learning about these innovative tools, students put their own problem-solving and programming skills to the test! They were challenged to program their own robots to travel from one location on the farm to another while navigating around obstacles along the way. This hands-on activity gave students the opportunity to explore the connection between agriculture, technology, and coding while having fun learning about the future of farming.





From Mrs. Flint's

ART STUDIO

Where Wildcats Create!

Mixing Colors in Kindergarten!

Our Kindergarten Wildcats explored the color wheel through a fun, hands-on art activity! Students learned how the three primary colors - red, yellow, and blue - could be mixed together to create secondary colors: orange, green, and purple. By experimenting with mixing colors themselves, students saw the magic of color theory in action while building their creativity and artistic skills. What a colorful way to learn!

Bringing the Circulatory System to Life in 4th Grade!

Learning came to life in *Mrs. Stone's ELA class* as students explored the circulatory system through engaging, hands-on activities! Students showed their excitement for learning by wearing red and blue shirts to represent oxygenated and deoxygenated blood.

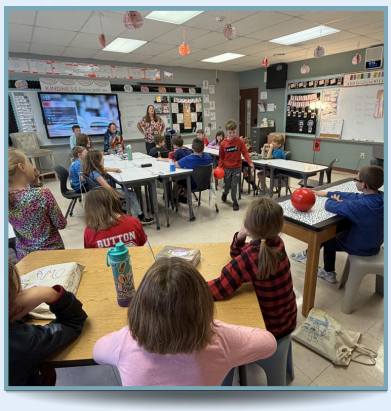
We were excited to welcome our special guest, *Mrs. Terwilliger*, who helped students deepen their understanding of oxygenated and deoxygenated blood through a fun, interactive activity. Students even had the opportunity to dress up as doctors as they stepped into the role of medical professionals!

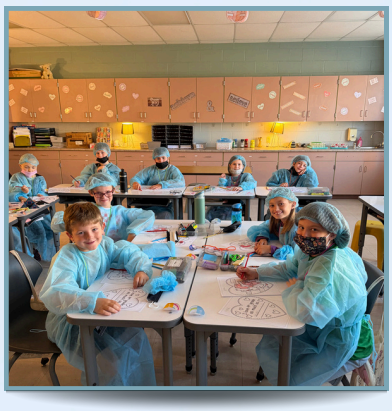
Students then put their learning into action by creating 3D models of the heart. They labeled the different parts of the heart and completed a fill-in-the-blank activity to demonstrate their understanding. They also shared their love for 4th grade by completing the sentence, "I love 4th grade as much as..."

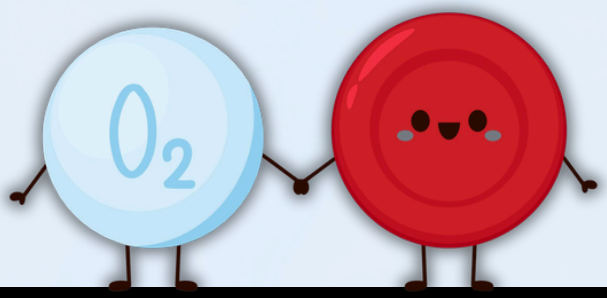
To extend their learning, students explored the four main components of blood: red blood cells, white blood cells, platelets, and plasma. They created a model of blood using corn syrup, Red Hots, lima beans, and white sprinkles to represent the different components.

Of course, we couldn't end our learning without a sweet treat! Students enjoyed creating and eating an edible model using mini marshmallows, Swedish Fish, pretzels, and fruit punch, making this lesson both memorable and delicious!

What a wonderful way to combine creativity, collaboration, and hands-on learning! Our 4th graders demonstrated that learning about the human body can be both educational and fun. We love seeing our students so engaged, curious, and excited about learning!







The Great Spider Debate!

In *Miss Meehan's 1st Grade class* our kiddos have been working on an opinion writing piece "Do you think spiders are cool or creepy?". They also made a spider project at home and displayed it with their writing pieces in the hallway! What do you think? Are spiders cool or creepy?

PUMPKIN PATCH

From Dinosaur Trails to Pumpkin Tales

On Thursday, the *kindergarten classes* traveled to **Stokoe's Pumpkin Patch** for a fun-filled day. They traveled back in time through a dinosaur trail, slid down steep slides, enjoyed a hayride, checked out some wildlife including donkeys, a porcupine, goats and llamas and jumped on bouncy pillows. They also received their own pumpkins and measured them and experimented to see if they would float or sink.

WILDCAT CLUBS

Explore • Play • Learn • Grow

Hand & Foot Game*

Team up, play your cards, and rack up as many points as you can!

Board Games:

Roll the dice, make your moves, and dive into endless board game fun!

Bingo!

Play classic bingo, shout "BINGO!" and win some fun prizes!

Art:

Can't get enough art? Create extra masterpieces with fun seasonal projects and team art activities!

All Things Disney:

Step into the magic! Explore favorite Disney movies and characters through fun stories, crafts, and activities celebrating friendship, courage, kindness, and leadership!

Tiny Builders:

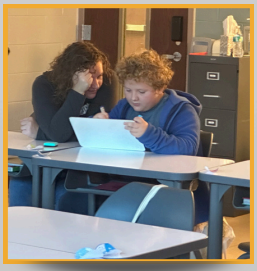
Think big, build big! Use your imagination to create amazing LEGO masterpieces!

Coloring:

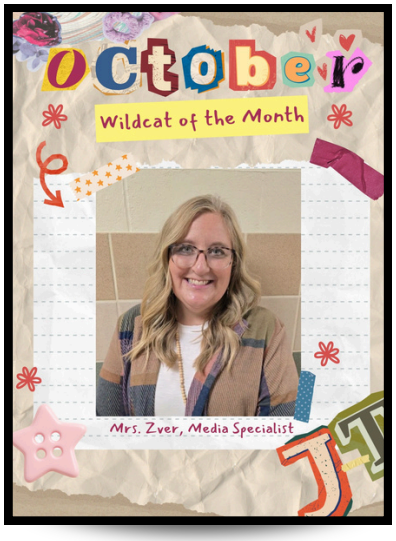
Listen to a fun story, pick your favorite coloring pages, and color, chat, and create with friends!

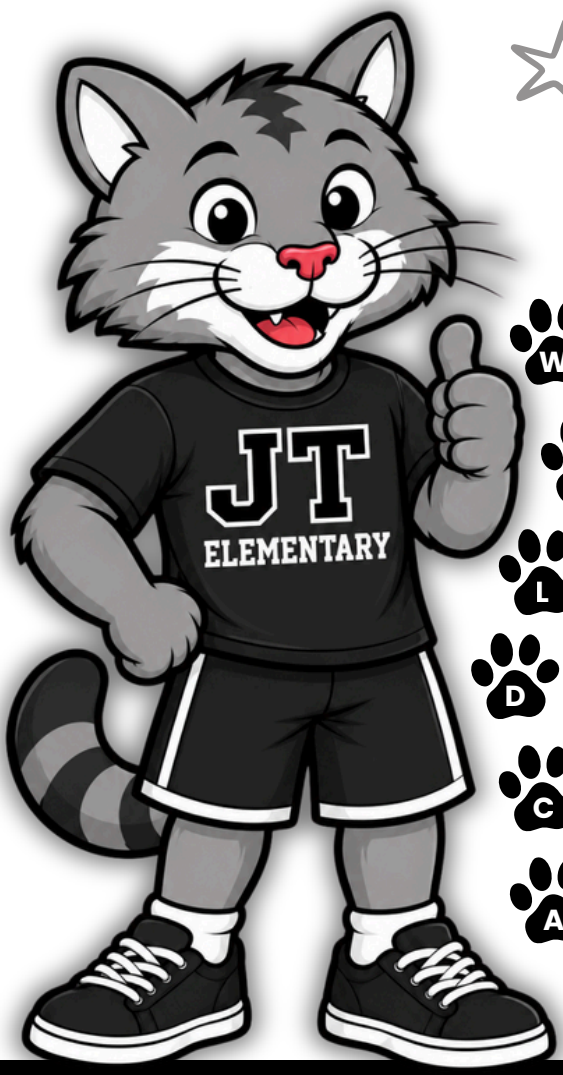
Mystery Guest Trivia:

Team up, tackle quick-fire trivia, and rack up points all year long - but watch out for a new mystery team each month!



WILDCAT of the MONTH





- **W** Well-mannered
- **I** Invested in Learning
- **L** Lead by Example
- **D** Dependable
- **C** Cooperative
- **A** Active in School and/or Community
- **T** Trustworthy

Pink Out

JASPER-TROUPSBURG
FIELD DAY
2026
Hello Kitty
COUNTRY CROSSROADS

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FOLLY BEACH
SOUTH CAROLINA

THE MORNING PROGRAM

Staying Safe: A Morning of Fire Prevention

On Friday, October 16, our Morning Program focused on an important topic: **Fire Prevention and Safety!** The Troupsburg Volunteer Fire Department joined our younger Wildcats to share valuable lessons about fire safety, ways to prevent fires, and the important role firefighters play in protecting our community. Students also had the opportunity to see a firefighter put on his full interior firefighting gear, giving them a firsthand look at the specialized equipment firefighters wear to stay protected while responding to emergencies.

Following the presentation, students headed outside by grade level to explore the fire truck up close. They had the chance to check out the truck and its equipment, ask questions, and learn more about what firefighters use when responding to emergencies.

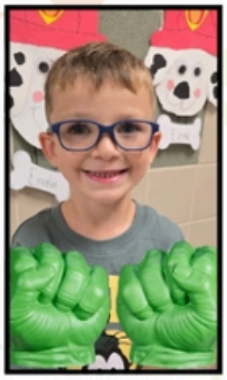
A special thank-you to the ***Troupsburg Volunteer Fire Department*** for visiting our school, sharing your knowledge, and helping our Wildcats learn important fire safety lessons. We are grateful for your time, dedication, and all you do to keep our community safe!

Speech and Language Tips

Providing your child with a variety of life experiences gives them a broader vocabulary base and fosters personal connections to stories and classroom texts. This is a wonderful time of year to incorporate fall vocabulary by visiting apple orchards, pumpkin patches, farmers markets, going trick or treating, and attending thanksgiving gatherings. You can talk about what you are doing, label items in your environment, and ask questions. It can also help to work on memory and narrative skills by asking your child questions later as they recall the event.

WILDCAT QUESTION of the Week

"If you could spend the day with a character from any book, TV show, or movie, who would you choose to hang with?"

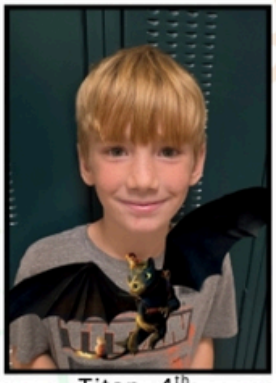


Noah, K:
My mom and Hulk

Levi, 1st:
Mickey Mouse

Kaidence, 2nd:
Stitch

Vinny, 3rd:
Cricket from Big City Greens



Titan, 4th:
Toothless from How to Train Your Dragon

Korah, 5th:
Cat in the Hat

Bryce, 6th:
Spiderman

Our Community Closet Is Open!

The Elementary School Counselor

The community closet is open! Every year, **United Way** donates personal hygiene products to area schools so that our families always know where to find the basics if they are in need. We have a variety of shampoo and conditioner, soap, dental supplies, and feminine hygiene products. Students are able to come in any time and shop for what they need. Parents and families, please don't hesitate to reach out to *Miss Eggleston* if you need a few items from the community closet - we are here to help!

In addition to United Way, our local **Sheriff's Department** hosts an annual coat drive for students in our area, and we have received many donations over the years. It is getting cold out, and students will need to start bundling up! If you'd like your student to visit the closet and choose a coat for the winter, please reach out to Miss Eggleston and we can make it happen.

We are so grateful to our community partners for helping our Wildcat families get what they need throughout the year! They say it takes a village to raise a child, and ours is one of the best!

NEWSLETTER

Leadership Roles at Home

Each new school year is a chance to grow and learn—not just in reading and math, but in life! When students grow up they need more than just facts, they also need to be healthy, responsible, and ready to lead.

One of the best ways to help students become leaders is to give them chances to lead. At school, students might have classroom jobs or leadership roles to practice being responsible. You can try this at home too!

Talk with your child about a job or role they might want to do at home. Ask them what makes them a good leader for that job. Then, make a plan together and talk about how they'll balance it with homework or other activities.

Here are a few fun role ideas to get started:

Gardener: Take care of houseplants or outdoor spaces.

Technology Leader: Keep devices charged and organized.

Floor Leader: Help keep floors clean and free of clutter.

Assistant Chef: Help with preparing food or setting the table.

Give your student a few days to practice, then check in. Ask them how it is going and whether it feels too easy, just right, or too hard. Celebrate their effort and leadership. When students lead at home, they build skills that last a lifetime.

LeaderinMe

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JASPER-TROUPSBURG ELEMENTARY

Picture Retake Day and Elementary Clubs & Group Pictures

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

Did your student miss picture day or want a second chance at their photo?

No worries!

Picture Retake Day is scheduled for each school!

HIGH SCHOOL ORDER CODE: **0535NEU**

ELEMENTARY ORDER CODE: **0536WCU**

Attention Parents/Guardians

Parents/guardians who are unhappy with the original picture and placed an order should send the Picture Package, including the envelope, to school on Retake Day.

The photographer needs the Original Picture Packages to produce the Retake Picture Package.

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BASKETBALL CLINIC

HORNELL AREA FAMILY YMCA

NOVEMBER 14, 2026

AGES 8-11	10:00AM - NOON	$70
AGES 12-15	1:00PM - 3:00PM	$70

» REGISTER BY **NOVEMBER 13** TO RECEIVE A CAMP SHIRT!

» REGISTER BY **NOVEMBER 3** TO GUARANTEE YOUR REQUESTED SIZE.

He's back! Join former Syracuse basketball star **Eric Devendorf** at the Hornell YMCA for an exciting 2-hour basketball clinic! This high-energy session will focus on essential fundamentals of the game, led by Eric alongside a group of coaches. Players will sharpen their skills through engaging drills, hands-on instruction, and game-like situations. Beyond the court, Eric will share insights about basketball IQ, mindset, and why consistent practice is key to long-term development. This is a great opportunity for young athletes to learn, grow, and be inspired by one of the best to put on the Orange!

HORNELL AREA FAMILY YMCA | 18 Center Street, Hornell, NY 14843 | 607.324.5520 | tricountyymcany.com

HIGH SCHOOL Happenings

SECTIONAL PLAY

Varsity Girls Soccer will play on Saturday at 2:00 pm against Avoca-Prattsburgh in Avoca.

No charge for this game.

October 2026

Celebrate National School Lunch Week Oct. 12-16th!

CAFETERIA CIRCUS — NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK

JASPER-TROUPSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
This menu is subject to change with out advance notice. *Make Online Payments at PayForIt.net!*	FARM TO SCHOOL	JOIN US FOR NY MENU DAY! See menu for details	1 Sloppy Joe on a Roll Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Oven Fries Steamed Broccoli **Fresh Pepper Strips!**	2 Mini Pancakes w/Sausage Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Turkey & Cheese Sandwich **Fresh Baby Carrots**
5 Homestyle Chicken Bowl w/Bread Tuna Salad Sandwich Sliced Carrots **Fresh Cucumber Slices!** **Fresh NY Kale & Apple Salad**	6 Meat Taco w/Rice Tuna Salad Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans **Fresh NY Kale & Apple Salad**	7 **NY MENU DAY!** **Chicken & NY Alfredo Sauce over Pasta** Dinner Roll Tuna Salad Sandwich **NY Roasted Broccoli** **Fresh NY Kale & Apple Salad** **Fresh NY Grapes!** **NY Juice!** **Chilled NY Milk**	8 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tuna Salad Sandwich Green Beans Hot Tomato Soup **Fresh NY Kale & Apple Salad**	9 Crispy Chicken Tender Sub Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Tuna Salad Sandwich **Fresh Baby Carrots** **Fresh NY Kale & Apple Salad**
12 HAPPY Columbus Day	13 **CIRCUS CAFE: OPENING DAY!!** Chicken & Waffles Egg Salad Sandwich Strong Man Sweet Potato Fries Show Stopping Strawberries w/Topping	14 **CIRCUS CAFE: FIESTA SPECTACULAR!!** Walking Taco **NY Cheddar, NY Sour Cream, NY Salsa, Lettuce** 3 Ring Churro Egg Salad Sandwich Street Corn Salad Acrobat Apple Slices	15 **CIRCUS CAFE: BIG TOP BBQ!!** BBQ Pulled Chicken Sandwich BBQ Pulled Pork Sandwich Egg Salad Sandwich Silly Slaw (Coleslaw) Balancing Act Baked Beans Ringmaster Watermelon	16 Egg Salad Sandwich **CIRCUS CAFE: Grande Finale Friday!!** Carousel Corn Dog Circus Classic Burger **Choose your own toppings!** Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Clown Favorite Curly Fries Carnival Cookie
Celebrate National School Lunch Week! It's a great time to give school lunch & breakfast a try!				
19 Baked Crispy Chicken Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sliced Carrots	20 Meat Nacho Grande w/Rice Ham & Cheese Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	21 **Homemade NY Macaroni & Cheese** w/Bread Ham & Cheese Sandwich Green Beans	22 **Asian Chicken** w/Rice Ham & Cheese Sandwich Steamed Broccoli **Fresh Cucumber Slices!**	23 Ultimate Cheese Breadstick w/Marinara Sauce Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich **Fresh Baby Carrots** **Big Apple Crunch Day!!**
26 Pepperoni Pizza Buffalo Wing Pizza Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Sliced Carrots **Fresh Pepper Strips!**	27 Chicken Soft Taco w/Rice Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	28 Baked Mozzarella Sticks w/Pasta & Sauce Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Green Beans	29 **NY Hot Dog on a Roll** Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Steamed Broccoli **NY Seasoned Roasted Potatoes**	30 Mini Pancakes w/Sausage Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Turkey & Cheese Sandwich **Fresh Baby Carrots** HAPPY HALLOWEEN

DAILY ENTREES
PBJ Sandwich
Chef Salad w/Bread Choice
NY Yogurt & Cheese Stick w/Bread Choice
Mon: Cheeseburger on a Roll
T/Th: Cheese Pizza
W/F: Chicken Nuggets w/Bread

DAILY SIDES
Tossed Salad
Fresh Vegetables
Assorted Fruit
M/W/F: 100% Fruit Juice
Chilled NY Milk

PRICING
Breakfast & Lunch: $0.00
Milk/Ala Carte Sides: $0.75
Snacks: $0.50-$1.75
NOTE: Every student receives 1 bfast & 1 lunch at no charge per school day. Each bfast & Lunch must be a COMPLETE REIMBURSABLE MEAL, or student will be charged ala for each item on their tray.

BREAKFAST MENU
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wake up! to School Breakfast

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Season's Greetings

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9 French Toast Sticks & Sausage Buffalo Ranch Wrap Sliced Carrots **Fresh Pepper Strips!**	10 **Parent/Teacher Conference Day** **NO SCHOOL**	11 **NO SCHOOL** HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED — VETERANS DAY	12 **NY MENU DAY!** **NY Sloppy Joe on a Roll** **NY Brussel Sprouts!** **Homemade NY Apple Crisp** **NY Juice!** **Chilled NY Milk**	13 Pizza Dunkers w/Marinara Sauce Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Buffalo Ranch Wrap Sliced Carrots
16 Chicken & Waffles Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Sliced Carrots **Fresh Cucumber Slices!**	17 Meat or Bean Nacho Grande w/Rice Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	18 **Homemade NY Macaroni & Cheese** w/Bread Buffalo Wing Macaroni & Cheese w/Bread Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Green Beans	19 **Asian Chicken** w/Rice Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Steamed Broccoli	20 Turkey & Gravy w/Warm Biscuit Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Mashed Potatoes
23 Baked Crispy Chicken Sandwich Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice Sliced Carrots **Fresh Pepper Strips!**	24 **Meat Soft Taco** w/Rice Buffalo Ranch Wrap Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	25 **THANKSGIVING RECESS!** **NOVEMBER 25th - 27th**	26	27
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