

CENTER STAGE



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April
2017

CS RECEIVES

THE YOUTH GOOD SAMARITAN AWARD - ONLY SCHOOL IN 6 COUNTIES!

On Friday, March 10, Center Street was awarded The Youth Good Samaritan Award by the American Red Cross of the Finger Lakes Region. Center Street Elementary School was the only school selected out of 16 counties. What an honor it was to see our nine-year-old "Pint Size Heroes" receive this award. Check out the link below for WETM's story about the presentation. Over 300 people attended this wonderful event! <http://www.mytwintiers.com/.../red-cross-recognizes.../669997665>. Mrs. Sotero enthusiastically said, "We are so proud of our students for their amazing accomplishments. Congratulations to our students on earning the **Youth Good Samaritan Award from the American Red Cross!** Thank you to Multi Media Services for sponsoring us!"



Each student received a wonderful medal to wear during the ceremony!

CENTER STREET INFORMATION

BUILDING DOORS WILL BE LOCKED

As part of the District-wide security system and our emphasis on safety, the building doors will be locked during the day. Both of the main lobby entrance doors have a white box. Please push the button, wait for a response and you will be buzzed into the building. We may ask you to look toward the camera or identify yourself by speaking into the white box. Once you enter the building, please report directly to the office to sign in and pick up a visitor's badge.

Visitors to the Schools – to maintain a safe place for our children to work and learn, certain limits must be set for visits by parents and other agencies. For these reasons, the following rules apply to ALL visitors to the school:

Access to the elementary building will be through the main entrance ONLY. This entrance will be open for students and visitors from 8:00 - 2:25 PM.

ALL VISITORS ARE REQUIRED TO SIGN IN AT THE MAIN OFFICE IMMEDIATELY UPON ENTERING THE BUILDING TO RECEIVE A VISITOR'S PASS WHICH MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHILE IN THE SCHOOL OR ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Also, as parents arrive in the morning with children, please remain in the lobby area, children must learn to proceed to the room on their own.

Teachers are expected NOT to take class time to discuss individual matters with visitors.

Visitors attending school functions that are open to the public such as parent teacher organization (PTO) meetings or public gatherings are not required to register.

Any consumables (food, beverages, etc.) brought in by visitors are subject to search and / or inspection.

Please note these district rules are approved by the Horseheads Board of Education. These safety procedures need your support. If you have any questions regarding these procedures, please call the office. Thank you in advance for your help and support with keeping safety a priority.

GUIDELINES FOR CLASSROOM PARTIES / CELEBRATIONS

If bringing food to your child's class such as drinks, cakes or pastries, the following guidelines should be used:

- Please notify the teacher and get their permission first.
- Immediately after cooking, if possible, items should be wrapped individually (i.e. cookies, muffins, cup cakes, etc.).
- The Chemung County Health department makes these additional requests:
COLD FOODS SHOULD BE REFRIGERATED IMMEDIATELY AND HELD BELOW 45 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.
HANDS SHOULD BE WASHED BEFORE FOOD PREP AND FOOD SHOULD NOT BE TOUCHED AFTER IT IS COOKED.
GLOVES, TONGS OR DELI PAPER SHOULD BE USED SO THERE IS NO BAREHANDED CONTACT WITH FOOD AFTER PREPARATION. Following the above practices will help to protect your children against food-borne illness.



MEDICATION IN SCHOOL - If a student needs any form of medication at school, a written physician's prescription and written parental consent are necessary. Any medication should be brought in the original container to the health office where it will be stored and dispensed. Please contact Mrs. Davies with further questions.

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for CENTER STREET is Patricia Sotero. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Patricia Sotero at 795-2580 x 2600.

The Dignity Act Coordinator for the Horseheads Central School District is Judith Christiansen. Mrs. Christiansen may be reached at One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, 607-739-5601, x4211.

**Safe Schools Line - To report a concern, rumor, or other safety issue - call 795-2044 or 1-800-305-4984.
Line is available 24 hours a day - ALL CALLS ARE ANONYMOUS AND CONFIDENTIAL.**

The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to gender, race, color, national origin, or disability. Inquiries regarding this policy may be made to Judy Christiansen, Title IX Coordinator, or Kim Williams, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845 (607) 739-5601



Dear Parent (s) / Caregiver (s),
March was an incredible month, as we participated in many family fun activities provided by the PTO and the Student Council along with the support of our Center Street Staff. The Project Fair was another successful event as the students showcased all their research and displayed it in many creative forms.



There are many things you can do to assist in your child's likelihood of success on these state exams. Please be sure that your child(ren) get a good night's sleep, a nutritious breakfast, and have necessary supplies such as sharpened pencils. Research says that students require a great deal of sleep per night. It will also be very important that all students arrive on time on testing days. All tests will begin first thing in the morning, so tardiness will mean that your child may have to make-up that portion of the test on another day. Studies have shown that students perform better when the test is taken during the regularly scheduled time. Lastly, maintaining a pleasant home environment with your regular routine will avoid unnecessary conflicts and ensure the morning of the test is a pleasant one. Encouraging your child to do his/her best and reinforcing that they'll do well, are great ways of reducing anxiety.

Sincerely,

Patti Sotero, Principal

Horseheads 2030 Infrastructure Discussions

Please mark your calendars to attend one or more of the infrastructure discussions for the Horseheads 2030 comprehensive project to improve by the educational program and infrastructure of the district now, in 2030, and beyond. More information on the project is available at www.horseheadsdistrict.com.

All meetings begin at **7pm** in the Horseheads High School Auditorium, and are open to the public.

April 26, May 11 & May 30

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Kathy Wigsten, Secretary
Trishia Alexander, Attendance Clerk
Vickie White, Nurse

www.horseheadsdistrict.com
Melissa Yearick, PTO Co- President
Wanda Kailbourne, PTO Co-President
Michelle Gryska, PTO Secretary
Denise Trondsen, PTO Treasurer
www.cspto.org

Newsletter in Color: <http://www.cspto.org/Newsletter>

RESPONSIBILITY

Character Corner



Suggested parent tips to do with your children -

- ◆ Discuss and choose an area for your child's backpack and school materials so they are always prepared for the day.
- ◆ Involve children in shopping and meal planning.
- ◆ Establish and reinforce a routine that your child can follow on their own.

CENTER STREET SPRING CARNIVAL

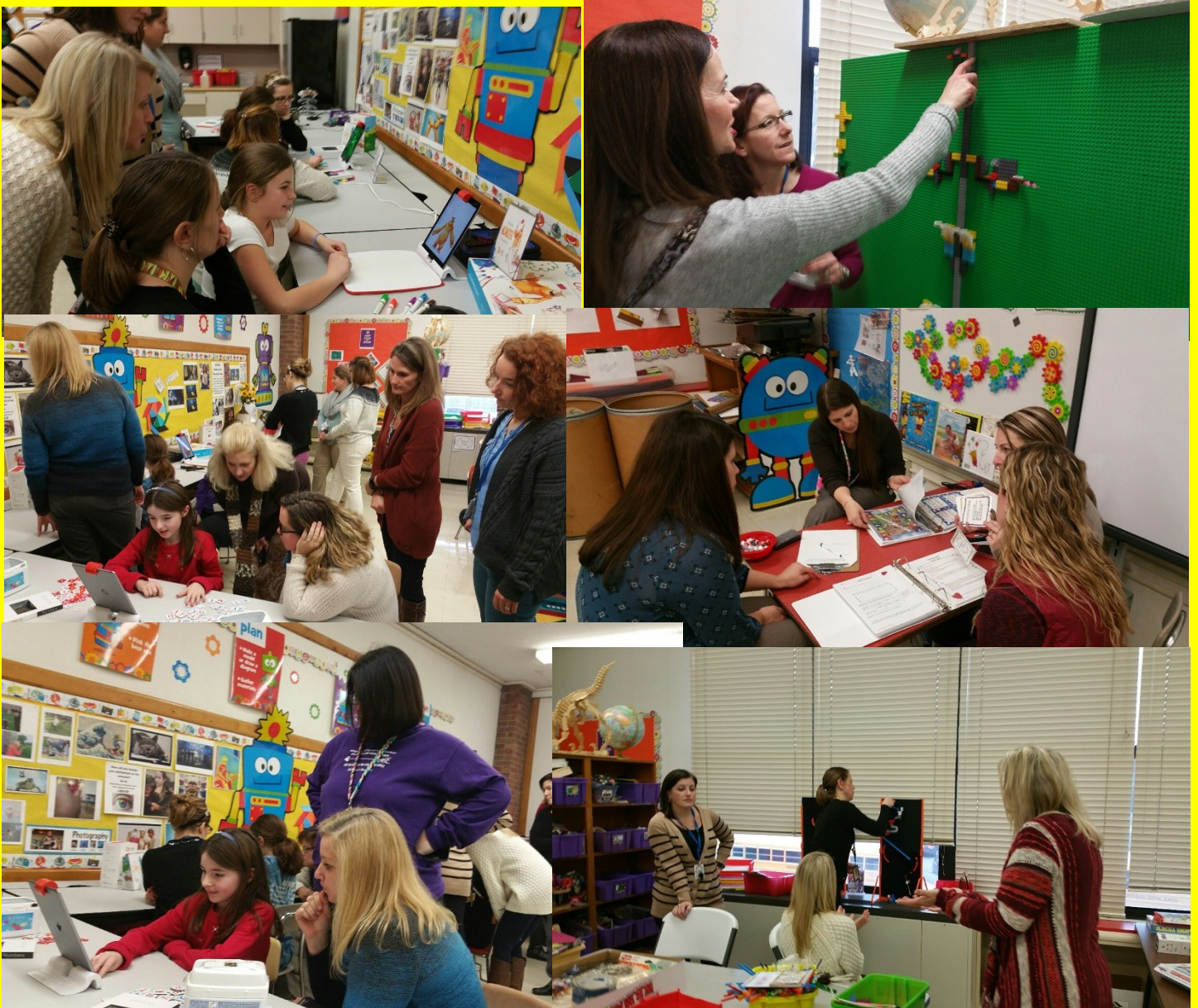
The Center Street PTO would like to thank everyone involved in making our Annual Spring Carnival a night to remember. Our volunteer workers from the HH High School, Bruce May and the Youth Bureau along with so many of our PTO volunteers - runners, bakers, basket makers, game tenders, set up and clean-up(ers), photographers, treat scoopers, organizers and supervisors were all so very important in making the carnival be all it could be. We couldn't have done it without you! Mrs. Sotero would like to thank Rick and Michelle Gryska, Melissa Yearick and Denise Trondsen for chairing this wonderful event. Thank you for the countless hours you put forth in making this year's event so successful!



EXCITING NEW THINGS AT CS!

During a recent faculty meeting, some of our students taught our teachers some new and exciting things that they were creating in our Maker Space Room. Thank you to Mrs. Klossner and Mrs. Gorman for the work they are doing with our students.

Students are creating objects with legos using a green screen. They were working on technology, using everyday objects and making them move with the use of various instruments and apps on the IPADS. It is simply AMAZING what our students are learning and how they are thinking outside of the box!



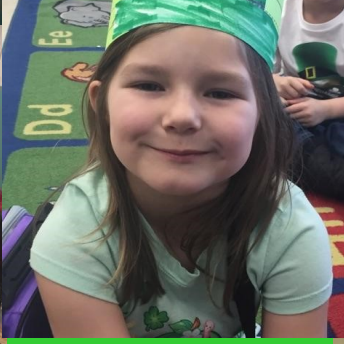
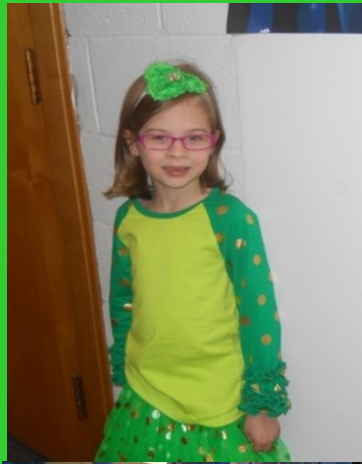
CS Participates in St. Patrick's Day Parade!

Thank you to everyone who came out for the St. Patrick's Day Parade. A very special thank you to Jaclyn Dull, Destiny's mom, for making the wonderful Center Street float. We LOVED the huge leprechaun!



It was cold but oh, so much fun!!!!

St. Patrick's Day fun at CS!



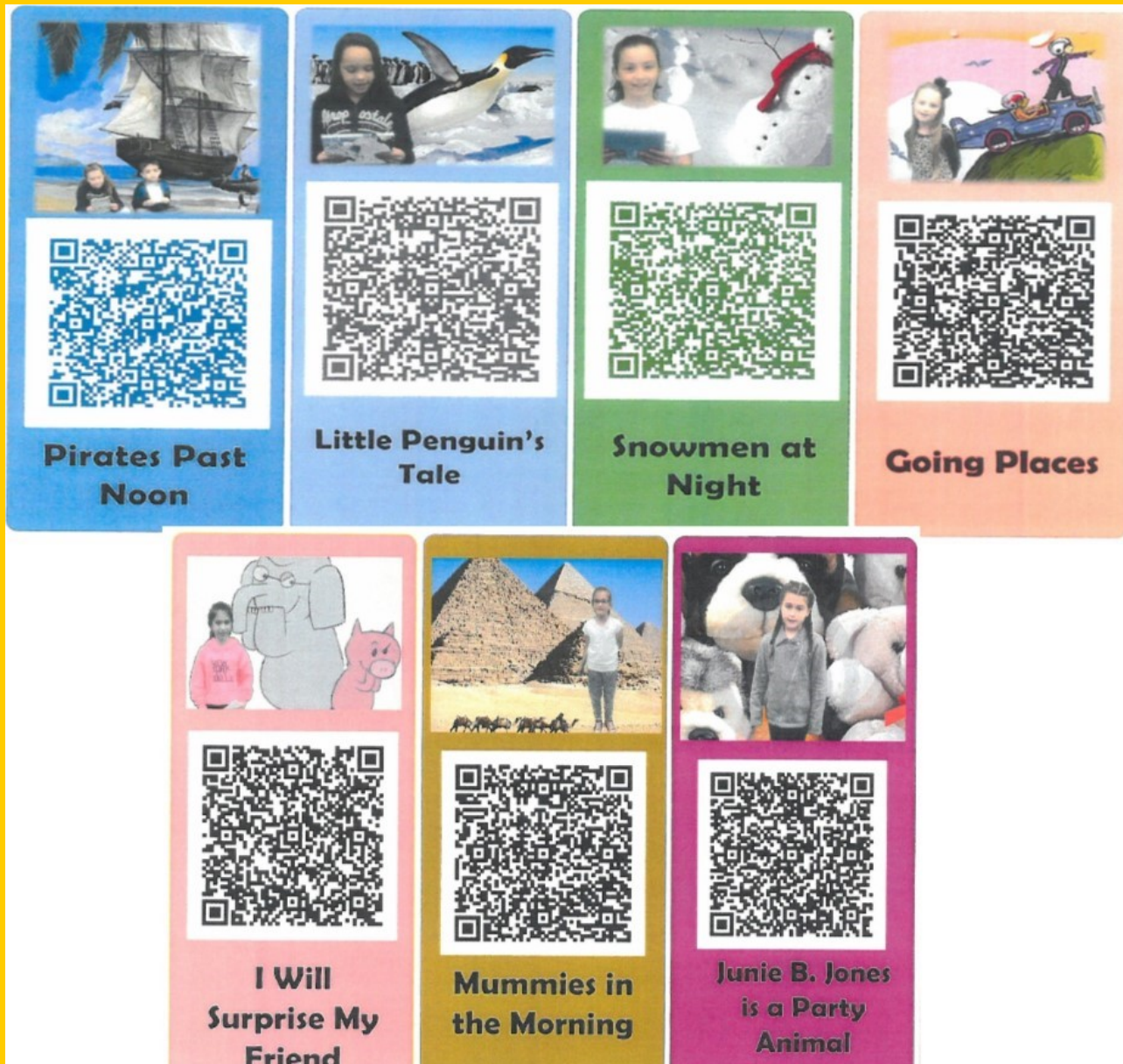
PRE K STUDENTS AND PARENTS LEARNING TOGETHER

On March 6 & 7th, parents were invited to come to Mrs. Balliet's classroom to provide the students an opportunity to learn together at the learning centers around the classrooms. There were many smiles and laughter heard throughout the night. Thank you Mrs. Balliet and Mrs. Hubbard for providing this exciting new opportunity for parents to enjoy!



CS STUDENTS CREATING Q R CODES AND WRITING REVIEWS ON BOOKS IN OUR LIBRARY - WOW!

These amazing projects are being lead by our Library Media Specialist, Mrs. Gorman. Students are using IPAD apps and a green screen to create these wonderful electronic book reviews. It is so exciting to view and listen to these creations. If you have a QR Reader on your phone, just scan the QR Code on this page and enjoy these creations!



CS GOOD APPLES


The Good Apple Award is a tool to promote pride, self-esteem and positive character development. All faculty and staff nominate students exhibiting good character. At the end of each month, the principal will announce the recipients names, and will present the students with their award during their scheduled lunch time. A bulletin board is in the Main Lobby to display each month's recipients. The following students earned a good apple award for showing exceptional character during this month.

The following students received Good Apple Award Certificates for March.

Barnstead	Chase	K	Beach
Colussy	Graycee	K	Beach
Parker	Jaxson	K	Beach
Wida	Maci	K	Beach
Harper	Jaxen	K	Standish
Franciso	Annabelle	1	Ham
Green	Zachary	1	Ham
Reep	Christian	1	Ham
Barton	Brooklynn	1	Robinson
Jones	Sam	1	Robinson
Murray	Jacob	1	Robinson
Waters	Nolan	1	Robinson
Wixson	Lillian	1	Robinson
Murray	Jacob	1	Robinson
Dannelley	Joseph	2	Aquilio
Rosen	Cailee	2	Aquilio
Henry	Lucas	2	Lese
McInerney	Liam	2	Lese
Mckinley	Quintin	2	Potter
Patel	Krutarth	2	Potter
Poorman	Kiera	2	Potter

Hart	Makenzie Jane	3	Blasic
McIlwain	Ryan	3	Blasic
Parker	Merissa	3	Blasic
Perdmore	Jason	3	Blasic
Fuksman	Oliver	3	Finnerty
Sunquist	Ashbie	3	Finnerty
Elliott	Cameron	3	French
Evans	Morgan	3	French
Kemmer	Logan	3	French
Wood	Kami	3	French
Williams	Kaylee	4	Karastury
Ector	Wyatt	4	Packard
Raymond	Keiyth	4	Packard
Robbins	Tatyanna	4	Potter
Ellis-Gray	Haley	4	Nichols
Niles	Mason	4	Prutsman
Reyes-Melo	Emily	4	Prutsman
Welch	Serenity	4	Prutsman

OUTSTANDING

 = Snow Days Used

Horseheads Central Schools 2016-2017 School Calendar

Approved - 3/31/16

Updated as of March 17, 2017

* Early Dismissal Drill

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School Not in Session:

Labor Day	9/5
Columbus Day	10/10
Veterans Day	11/11
Thanksgiving Break	11/23 - 11/25
Winter Recess	12/23 - 1/2
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	1/16
President's Day	2/20
Spring Recess and Good Friday	4/10 - 4/17*
Memorial Day Recess	5/29 - 5/30*

* Pending the use of Snow Days

1/2 Days (A.M.)
 6/20 (7 - 8 Only)
 6/21 (PreK - 8 Only)
 6/22 (PreK - 6 Only)




Full Days Off
 1/30/17 (7 - 12 Only)
 6/16/17 (PreK - 6 Only)
 6/22/17 (7 - 8 Only)

Parent/Teacher/Conference
 1/2 Day A.M. (PreK - 6 Only)
 Nov. 10, 2016
 Full Day (PreK - 6 Only)
 Nov. 18, 2016

First Day of School PreK - 9:
 Wednesday, September 7, 2016

First Day of School 10 - 12:
 Thursday, September 8, 2016

LEGEND

	Conference Days (9/6, 10/21, and 3/10)
	Schools Closed*
	Regents Exams (Tentative)

Priority of Make-up Days*

If 1 snow day	No make-up
If 2 snow days	No make-up
If 3 snow days	No make-up
If 4 snow days	May 26, 2017
If 5 snow days	April 17, 2017
If 6 snow days	May 30, 2017
If 7 snow days	April 10, 2017
If 8 snow days	April 11, 2017
If 9 snow days	April 12, 2017
If 10 snow days	April 13, 2017

Last Day: 7-8: 6/21/17

Last Day: PreK-6: 6/22/17

Because the district has used four snow days this year, **Friday, May 26, will be a regular day in session for all students.** Last April, the Board of Education approved the one-page calendar that indicated our school schedule in the event we use more than three snow days. This calendar was sent home in our summer newsletters and is posted on our website.

Please note: The multi-page calendar mailed to residents last summer has an error on May 26, and we apologize for that error. (The box for May 26 on that calendar should say "no school unless the district has used four snow days.")

Again, Friday, May 26 will be a regular school day for all students. Highlighted in our updated calendar are the snow days we've used this year, and the schedule for snow days in the bottom right corner. Should there be additional snow days this year, we will follow that schedule. Thank you!

Congratulation to Kailey McCormick and Jocelyn Capener for representing CS at the Regional Spelling Bee in March!



PTO MEETING - APRIL 4, 2017 AT 6:30 PM

We want to thank the PTO for all the labors of love and the many, many hours our parents put in for each and every event. Our carnival was OUTSTANDING and we are so thankful for the fun - family events.

Thank you to every parent and family member for your continued support to our PTO and our great school. We could not do it without our wonderful partnership.

We LOVE OUR PTO!!!!



“RESPONSIBILITY”

