

CENTER STAGE



sharing, caring,
and learning for life



Jan. Feb
2018

CS Staff Members Say Thank You to Those Who Serve in our Community

On Wednesday, Dec. 13th, the CS staff took time out of their busy schedules, to bake holiday cookies for the local Community Service Members. It was an honor to thank them for everything they do in our community. The staff members then delivered the treats on Thursday, Dec. 14th. (See pages 4-5.)



CS Students give to SPCA and HH Animal Shelter

Students and staff donated to the SPCA and the HH Animal Shelter to help out our little furry friends this season.



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 available for students and visitors from 8:00 - 2:25 PM. **Students may come to CS at 7:45 to eat breakfast.**

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 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. We respectfully request parents to not walk their child(ren) to their classrooms.

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, cupcakes, etc.).
- The Chemung County Health department makes these additional requests:
COLD FOODS SHOULD BE REFRIGERATED IMMEDIATELY AND HELD BELOW 45 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT.
CHECK FOR CLASSROOM FOOD ALLERGIES.

HANDS SHOULD BE WASHED BEFORE FOOD PREP AND THEN YOU SHOULD NOT TOUCH FOODS AFTER THEY ARE 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 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. White with further questions.

DIGNITY ACT COORDINATORS

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for the Horseheads Central School District is Megan Collins, director of human resources. If there is a complaint regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student, the complaint should be filed with Mrs. Collins at One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845. Her telephone number is 607-739-5601, x4211. **The Dignity Act Coordinator for CS is Patricia Sotero. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Patricia Sotero at 795-2580 x 2600.**

**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 Megan Collins, Title IX Coordinator, or Kim Williams, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845 (607) 739-5601



Happy New Year to you and your family!

The New Year is a time to look back and a time to dream for the future. Reflection is powerful, it allows time to evaluate, appreciate, and generate new ideas. Things have gone well for us in recent months, some would say very well. Everyone in our community has a lot to be proud of, and as we continue to work together, our children at Center Street succeed.



We look ahead to 2017 and the many fantastic opportunities it affords us. As we continue our successful Character Education Program, our word of the month is FAIRNESS. Our theme for this month is always fairness for all. Fairness is being open-minded and listening to others. **Eleanor Roosevelt said, "It is not fair to ask of someone else what you are not willing to do yourself."**

I look forward to all the inspiring things we will be working on to better our school, community, and the world. The Student Council has outstanding plans for the students at Center Street to participate in for the entire building to enjoy. The most exciting news of all is that our students are leading us by example!

Sincerely,

Patti Sotero, Principal

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Trishia Alexander, Attendance Clerk
Vickie White, Nurse

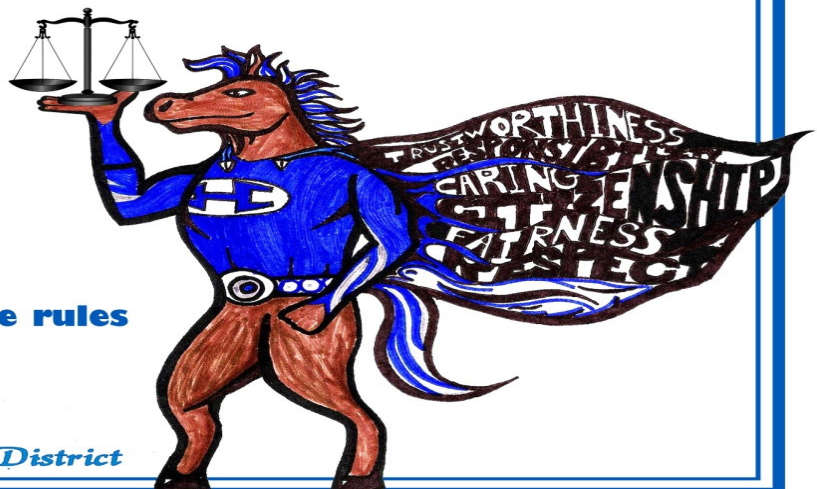
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Michelle Yearick, Co- PTO President
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Melanie Peden, PTO Secretary
Denise Trondsen, PTO Treasurer
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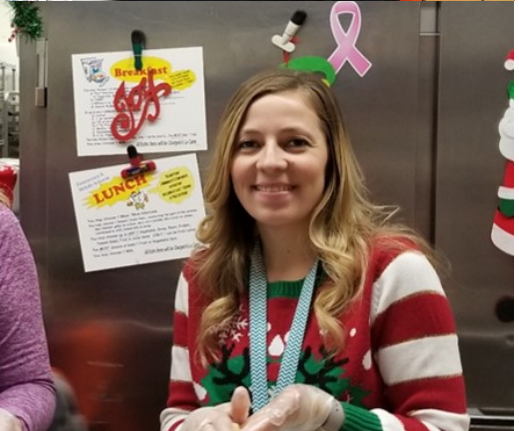
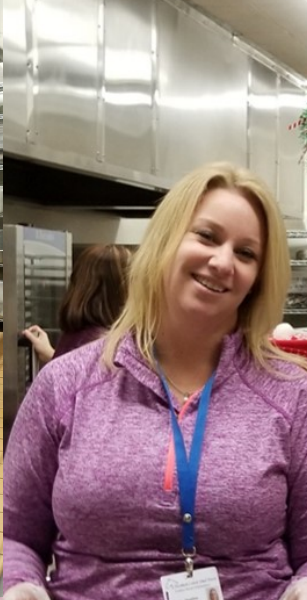
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Character Education

Fairness

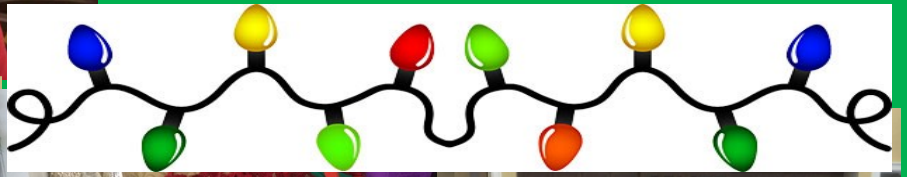
- **Treat people the way you want to be treated**
- **Think about how your actions will affect others**
- **Listen to people with an open mind**
- **Take turns and play by the rules**
- **Tell the truth**



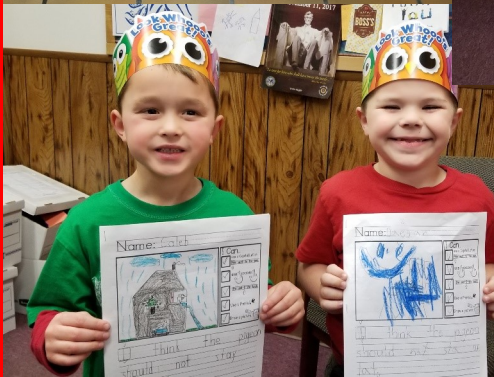
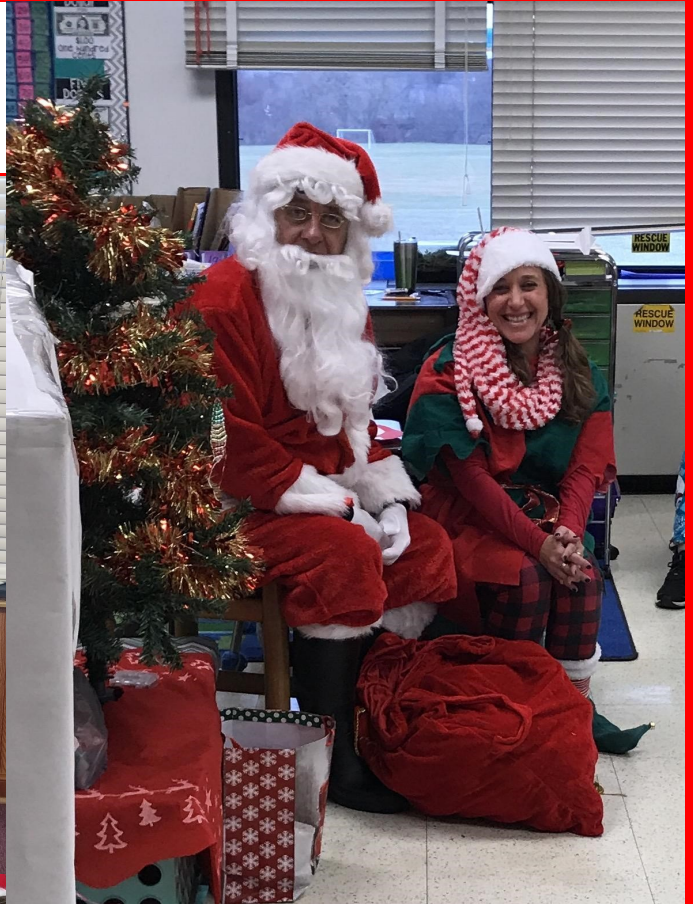




*Pre-K Visit to
AppleRidge...*



Red and Green Day



SCIENCE CLUB BEGINS JAN.8

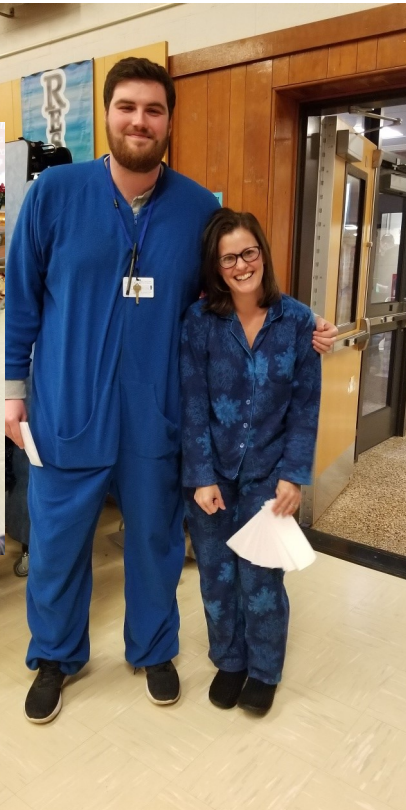
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Pen Pals from Spain



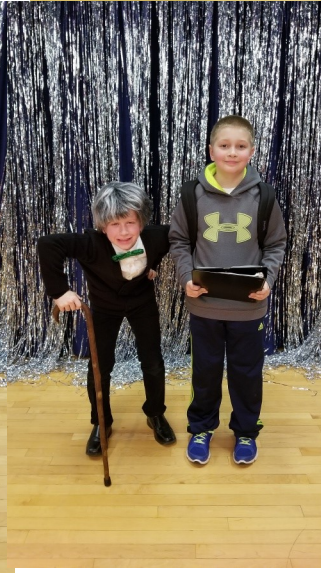
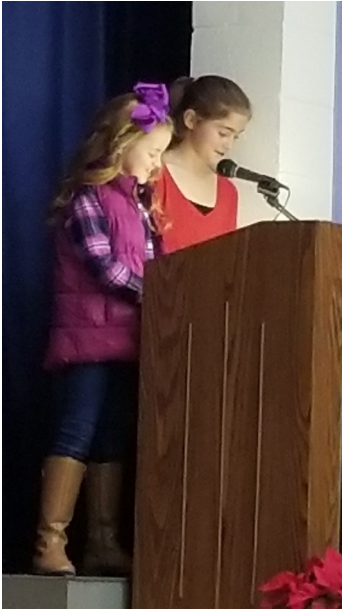
PJ DAY



Holiday Sing a Long & Cafe fun



Talent Show



Super job to our students for doing an outstanding job at our CS Talent Show 2017!



WINTER CONCERT



THANK YOU!

Clip Box Tops - earn cash for our school!

Our school wide goal for collecting Box Tops is even BIGGER this year, which means our contests are going to be even BIGGER this year, which means our prizes will be even BIGGER this year!! This year you will be competing for prizes & classroom parties by your GRADE LEVEL!



Visit our
webpage to find
ways
you can help
www.cspto.org



Holiday Shop



CS PTO would like to thank **everyone** involved in making our holiday shop a week to remember. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to make our event a success!

Thank you to all of our friends who helped set up and clean up the event. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help the children shop. A special thank you to **Denise Trondsen** for her leadership and organizational, our PTO Co- Presidents, Melissa Yearick, Wanda Kailbourne, Treasurer, Denise Trondsen and secretary, Melanie Peden for all their amazing work. And we especially want to thank Mrs. Sotero for her assistance, guidance, and investment in our CS students.

**Join us for our January Meeting on Tuesday,
January 9, 2018 at 6:30 in the CS Library!**

Books!



Books!

The 2018 Center Street School Book Exchange is About to Begin!

Books may be brought in any time through Friday, January 19th.

DAY ONE: Wednesday, January 24, 2018

ALL students receive ONE BOOK

(Volunteers needed from 10:45 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.)

DAY TWO: Thursday, January 25, 2018

The number of books a student can take home will be based upon the number of books his/her class brought in, with a maximum of five.

Class total = 16 – 30 books: Each student will receive 1 more book

Class total = 31 – 50 books: Each student will receive 2 more books

Class total = 51 – 75 books: Each student will receive 3 more books

Class total = 75 + books: Each student will receive 4 more books

(Volunteers needed from 11:00 A.M. – 1:15 P.M.)

Please e-mail Denise Trondsen or call the office at 795-2580.

We will gratefully accept as many books as you would like to donate. The success of this book exchange rests with having a good selection of books to choose from as well as help from adult volunteers.

CENTER STREET PTO

RECYCLING AT CS!

Jan. 22 - Jan. 26th



**YOUR RECYCLING WILL HELP TO RAISE
MONEY FOR OUR STUDENTS AT CS!**

That's right - start bringing in your **phone books, catalogs, magazines, office paper and newspapers.**

Bring items from Jan. 22 - Jan. 26. Please place items in the labeled black containers that are specifically marked and located outside of CS.

For every pound of paper, we will receive 3 cents!!! We believe in recycling and want to encourage our students to recycle more at home. Now we can work together and help raise money for our student programs.

Start saving now!

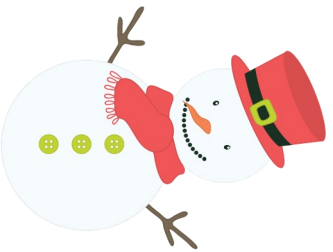
Thank you the CS Students

Reminders

FEBRUARY - TRUSTWORTHINESS

Gym Days - are sneaker days - and you are then prepared to have fun!

Art Days - students need smocks to keep clean - any old shirt will do!



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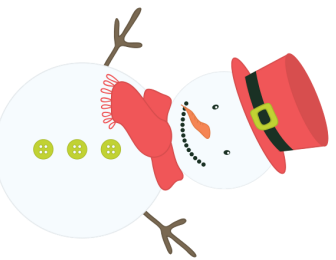
| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 1 DAY 4 Candy forms out | 2 DAY 5 Ground Hog Day | 3 |
| 4 | 5 DAY 6 | 6 DAY 1 PTO 6:30 | 7 DAY 2 “Confuse” | 8 DAY 3 | 9 DAY 4 Swim Night | 10 |
| 11 | 12 DAY 5 | 13 DAY 6 K Registration Day (10:00 - 6) | 14 DAY 1 FACULTY MTG RED, WHITE & PINK DAY “Crafty” | 15 DAY 2 CSE Mtgs | 16 DAY 3 Music Technology Assembly 8:45 & 9:45 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 PRESIDENT’S DAY | 20 NO SCHOOL | 21 DAY 4 “Dusk” | 22 DAY 5 BOE Mtg Trans | 23 DAY 6 Box Tops Contest ends - Candy forms due | 24 |
| 25 | 26 DAY 1 SBT MTG 2:45 | 27 DAY 2 504 MTG | 28 DAY 3 PTO Mtg counts candy “Mistrust” | | | |

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| Sun | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | 1 HAPPY NEW YEAR! | 2 DAY 1 FIRST DAY BACK Box Top Contest begins | 3 DAY 2 "Peculiar" | 4 DAY 3 | 5 DAY 4 3-BIG SCREENS Assembly 8:45 & 9:45 Start 2 Finish RTI Report Card Meeting full day | 6 |
| 7 | 8 DAY 5 Aimsweb begins 504 Mtg | 9 DAY 6 PTO 6:30 | 10 DAY 1 FACULTY MTG "Queasy" Strings Showcase 7PM HS Aud | 11 DAY 2 | 12 DAY 3 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 MILK JR NO SCHOOL | 16 DAY 4 | 17 DAY 5 "Reveal" | 18 DAY 6 1st gr trip Clemens CSE Mtgs | 19 DAY 1 2nd Marking Period ends Aimsweb ends | 20 |
| 21 | 22 DAY 2 SBT MTG 2:45 RECYCLING | 23 DAY 3 Set Up Br Exhng | 24 DAY 4 Book Exchange "Severe" | 25 DAY 5 Book Exchange BOE Mtg BF | 26 DAY 6 Report Cards go Home | 27 |
| 28 | 29 DAY 1 | 30 DAY 2 | 31 DAY 3 "Concentrate" | | | |