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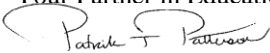
Gardner Road Elementary School

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Dear Gardner Road Families-

Happy New Year to everyone and I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing winter break. We're excited to continue #LearningatGR as we enter 2017. As you may know, we celebrate learning and share it on social media with our school hashtag, #LearningatGR. Below, we have a new #LearningatGR Home Connection section. Be on the lookout for tips on how to connect learning between school and home each month. We have MANY photos from the last month, so enjoy the few extra pages of our monthly newsletter. Have a wonderful 2017 & please feel free to contact me if you need anything to support you & your child(ren) at GR!

Your Partner in Education,

Patrick Patterson - Principal

#LearningatGR Home Connection – Edition 1:

Supporting and Complimenting Reading at Home:

Word-Solving: When an error is made, WAIT to give your child a chance to work on it *independently*. Encourage them to keep going by saying “Try that again!” or “Make it match.”

- You used the first letter and checked the picture!
- You tried more than one strategy on your own.
- You tried a different vowel sound.
- Your eyes looked at the beginning, middle & end of the word.
- You are making sure it looks and sounds right as you solve that word.



Comprehension: Ask questions that invite recall AND thinking such as “Why do you think ___ happened?” or “What do you think ___ means?” Urge rereading as a tool to build comprehension as needed.

- You remembered the details beautifully!
- You stopped to think about the text instead of reading on.
- Your expression showed that you understood what you read.
- You are making sure it makes sense as you solve that word.



Fluency: Model expressive reading & have your child echo read how you say it. Encourage just right pacing & how to pause/stress as intended by the author.

- You sounded just like the character would sound.
- You are reading in phrases, not word-by-word.
- Your speed is just right, not too fast or too slow.
- You took a break at the punctuation mark



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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Gardner Road School Hours

8:00 a.m. to 2:25 p.m.
Tardy Bell – 8:15 AM

Gardner Road Office Hours

7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Elementary Lunches (K-6)

Breakfast: \$ 1.25
Lunch \$ 2.10

Moishe's Quote of the Month:

Year's end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us. ~ Hal Borland

Main Office Updates:

School Delays and Closings:

The cold, slippery, white flakes are just around the corner. When the ice and snow arrive, it is often necessary to delay or close schools. The announcements can be found on our District website www.horseheadsdistrict.com, Facebook, Twitter and the local media stations. In the event of a 1 or 2-hour delay, students can be dropped off at the at the adjusted time. Please be aware that **NO** breakfast is served when there is a 2-hour delay. PK start time during a 2-hour delay is 10:30.



Banana Splits:

Banana splits are not just sundaes anymore! They are groups of students that meet during lunch to talk, share and support each other through changes in their families. These changes could be parents separating or divorcing, death of a parent, marriage of a parent, or adding new stepbrothers or sisters. *Banana Splits* groups are forming this month for grades 1- 4. If you think your child could benefit from attending this support group or you would like more information please contact Mrs. Norton, social worker, 739-6347 ext. 4 or through email at: mnorton@horseheadsdistrict.com.



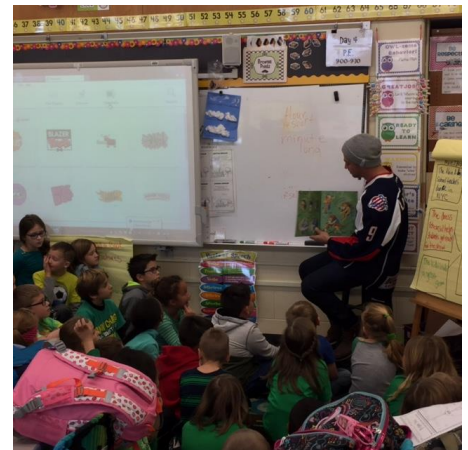
Gardner Road Winter Art Gallery

Thank you to Mr. Lamar for teaching, coaching, matting and displaying our Golden Stars' artwork at Raymour and Flanigan this past month. It made their store look absolutely wonderful and it also helped our school as Raymour and Flanigan generously donated \$600 in return. Thank you to the GRPTO and Mr. Cronin for helping coordinate the event. Also thank you to Mr. Hamilton for playing some live music at the gallery opening!



Elmira Jackals Read to GR Students - 1 Book, 1 School

Four of the Elmira Jackals came to Gardner Road on December 21st to read the book *Giraffes Can't Dance*. The book is part of our learning about growth mindset and having grit. The Jackals also shared their personal stories about overcoming challenges, being brave and using grit.



HOW TO RESPOND WHEN A CHILD FAILS

WHAT TO SAY TO A CHILD WHEN THEY FAIL



I am so proud of what you did today!



What did you learn from today?



What could you do to keep improving?



Let's work through this together



There is always time to improve



I know how hard you worked at this



WHAT NOT TO SAY TO A CHILD WHEN THEY FAIL



I am really disappointed in you today

That was a waste of my time



You have embarrassed me

You were a complete failure today



Why do I even bother watching you

I could do a better job than that

TIPS FOR PARENTS

#1. Help your child to learn important valuable lessons from failure



#5. Teach your child that it is important to never give up when they fail. Help your child to realise that failure and mistakes are obstacles which we must overcome

#2. Be aware of your body language. When your child fails show them that you are proud of them and be positive with how you react



#3. Help your child to realise that winning isn't the most important thing. Praise the effort and hard work which your child puts into training and games



#4. How you respond to failure will influence how your child responds to failure. Be a role model.



GR Talent Show Coming Soon:



Friday, January 13th

6:00pm

High School Auditorium

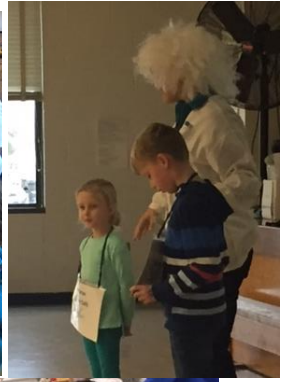
Performers will need to be there by 5:30

4th Grade Chorus Concert:

Thank you to Mr. Hamilton and the 4th grade chorus for such a wonderful winter concert. They sang songs inspired by the outdoors in the Adirondacks, Paul McCartney and some head, shoulders, knees and toes holiday style! Check out the full evening concert on Facebook!



Snapshots of Learning in December at Gardner Road!



Snapshots of Some Gardner Road Staff in December



Science & Discovery Center Wows GR with Science Toys



"We Succeed Because The Stars Lead!"

CHARACTER

O In December, 326 (80 %) students earned a character award for demonstrating caring in our school. Check out the banners of mittens in the main office where students share ways on how to be caring to others. Thank you to all of our caring students and families as we raised \$410.92 for the Arctic League as our annual December penny drive. I would also like to say thanks to our 3rd and 4th graders who volunteered their time during lunch to help count the money.

January's Trait is:

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

Character Matters
Horseheads Central School District

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Our Mission

"Quality Education for All"

The Mission of the Horseheads Central School Community is to provide a quality education for all within a nurturing environment, which promotes excellence, growth, and a sense of civic responsibility.

Our Vision

We, the Horseheads School Community, want a district that:

- is nurturing and responsive.
- strives for balance in a supportive, safe, encouraging environment.
- recognizes the need for continual improvement in an ever-changing world.
- has a clearly defined focus on learning outcomes, collaboration, and support systems.
- creates an environment within which everyone can thrive and achieve his/her highest potential.

Our Beliefs

We believe:

- everyone can achieve his/her highest potential.
- trust is essential for growth.
- learning is cooperative.
- programs are inclusive.
- success will be nurtured and expected.
- learning is performance-based.
- decisions are data-based.
- responsibility, respect, and results guide our every effort.

Exit Outcomes

The Horseheads Central School graduate will be ...

- a life-long learner
- a caring, productive citizen
- an effective communicator
- a creative problem-solver
- a quality decision-maker
- a healthy, well-rounded person

Substitutes Needed:

The Horseheads Central School District is seeking applications for substitute teachers, bus drivers & substitute teaching assistants. For information, please visit: <http://www.horseheadsdistrict.com/subteach.htm>
Human Resources Office: 739-5601, x4211
e-mail: hcsdinfo@horseheadsdistrict.com



Check out how our students made this Winter Wonderland display with Mr. Lamar on Twitter & Facebook!




The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender (including gender identity and expression). Inquiries regarding this notice may be made to Judy Christiansen, Title IX and DASA Coordinator, or Kim Williams, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads NY 14845, (607) 739-5601.

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Gardner Road Elementary is Patrick Patterson. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any student should be referred to Patrick Patterson at (607) 739 – 6347. 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.



Gardner Road Elementary School



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 <i>No School</i> 	3 <i>Day 6</i>	4 <i>Day 1</i>	5 <i>Day 2</i>	6 <i>Day 3</i>
9 <i>Day 4</i> <i>Kindergarten Registration</i>	10 <i>Day 5</i> <i>Kindergarten Registration</i>	11 <i>Day 6</i> <i>Kindergarten Registration</i> <i>String Showcase</i> <i>7:00 HS Aud</i> 	12 <i>Day 1</i> <i>Kindergarten Registration</i>	13 <i>Day 2</i> <i>Kindergarten Registration</i> <i>Talent Show 6:00 HS Aud.</i>
16 <i>No School</i> 	17 <i>Day 3</i>	18 <i>Day 4</i>	19 <i>Day 5</i>	20 <i>Day 6</i> <i>End of 2nd Marking Period</i> <i>GRPTO Rollerskating at 5:30</i> <i>Joycrest (changed from bingo)</i>
23 <i>Day 1</i> <i>District Implementation Team Meeting 4:00 HS MMC</i>	24 <i>Day 2</i>	25 <i>Day 3</i>	26 <i>Day 4</i> <i>BOE 6:00 BF</i>	27 <i>Day 5</i> <i>Report Cards Home</i> <i>Scripps Spelling Bee—Gr 2– 4</i> <i>Qualifiers Only 4:45, starts @ 5:00</i>
30 <i>Day 6</i> <i>GR Site Based Team 2:30 Library</i>	31 <i>Day 1</i>	<u>Character Education Tips for Home: Fairness</u> -Share treats at home...”I cut- you pick” -Act out skits -Talk as a family about why games have rules -Discuss with your child what they think fairness is		
				

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HORSEHEADS SCHOOL DISTRICT - GRADES PK-4TH

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

AVAILABLE DAILY

PBJ Sandwich
 Chef Salad w/Bread Choice
 Yogurt w/Bread Choice
 Hummus w/Veggies, Chips & Bread
 Tossed Salad
 Fresh Vegetables
 Fruit Cups
 Fresh Fruit
 100% Fruit Juice
 Chilled Milk

Bread Choice = Breadstick, Soft Pretzel or Bagel

ALL BREAD PRODUCTS ARE WHOLE GRAIN RICH

**WINTER BREAK
 NO SCHOOL**

3 Baked Mozzarella Sticks w/Marinara Sauce
 Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice
 Steamed Broccoli Florets

4 BBQ Baked Chicken w/Breadstick
 Tuna Salad Sandwich
 Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
 Green Beans
 Cinnamon Applesauce
 Jello

5 Pizza Dunkers w/Marinara Sauce
 Buffalo Chicken Wrap
 Baked Beans
 Carrot Coins

6 Toasted Cheese Sandwich
 Sloppy Joe on a Bun
 Hot Tomato Soup
 Golden Sweet Corn

9 Crispy Chicken Nuggets w/Bread
 Tuna Salad Sub
 Squash
 Oven Fries

10 Meat or Bean Nacho Grande
 Turkey Club Wrap
 Refried Beans
 Golden Sweet Corn

11 Chicken & Orange Sauce w/Rice
 Hot Ham & Cheese Melt
 Carrot Coins
 Homemade Fruit Crisp

12 Pepperoni Pizza
 Cheese Pizza
 Southwest Taco Salad
 Steamed Broccoli Florets

13 Homemade Macaroni & Cheese w/Bread
 Fish Treasures w/Bread
 Minestrone Soup
 Green Beans

PRICING

Grades K-6	\$2.10
Grades 7th-12th	\$2.35
Broad Horizon K-8th	\$2.10
Broad Horizon 9-12th	\$2.35
Reduced	\$0.25
Breakfast	\$1.25
Milk	\$0.75
Snacks	\$0.75
Adult Lunch	\$3.95



17 Pasta w/Meatsauce & Cheese
 Pasta w/Marinara Sauce & Cheese
 Chicken Caesar Salad w/Bread Choice
 Steamed Broccoli Florets

18 French Toast Sticks w/Sausage
 Ham & Cheese Sub
 Tater Tots
 Fruity Jello w/Whipped Topping

19 Pizza Dunkers w/Marinara Sauce
 Turkey Club Wrap
 Sunset Sip Juice
 Golden Sweet Corn

20 Toasted Cheese Sandwich
 Sloppy Joe on a Bun
 Hot Tomato Soup

23 Chicken Patty on a Bun
 Italian Meatball Sub
 Mashed Sweet Potatoes
 Oven Fries

24 Meat or Bean Walking Taco w/Rice
 Chicken Ranch Wrap
 Refried Beans
 Green Beans

25 Hot Turkey & Gravy w/Bread
 Egg Salad Sandwich
 Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy
 Steamed Broccoli Florets
 Homemade Fruit Crisp

26 Pepperoni Pizza
 Cheese Pizza
 Southwest Taco Salad
 Carrot Coins

27 Baked Mozzarella Sticks & Marinara Sauce
 BBQ Pork Rib on a Bun
 Golden Sweet Corn

30 Chicken Nuggets w/Bread
 Ham & Cheese Sub
 Sweet Potato Fries
 Green Beans

31 Pasta w/Meatsauce & Cheese
 Pasta w/Marinara Sauce & Cheese
 Chicken BLT Salad w/Bread Choice
 Steamed Broccoli Florets

THIS DISTRICT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER & PROVIDER

Contact Us if you have any questions, comments or concerns. We can be reached at (607) 739-5601 ext. 3671 or Email: sblunt@gstbores.org

RESOLVE TO EAT HEALTHY & BE ACTIVE ALL YEAR LONG!!



NOTICE:
 The menu is subject to change without advanced notice.



Happy New Year!



"It is more fun to talk with someone who doesn't use long, difficult words, but rather short, easy words like 'What about lunch?'"

- Winnie the Pooh

Free & Reduced Applications

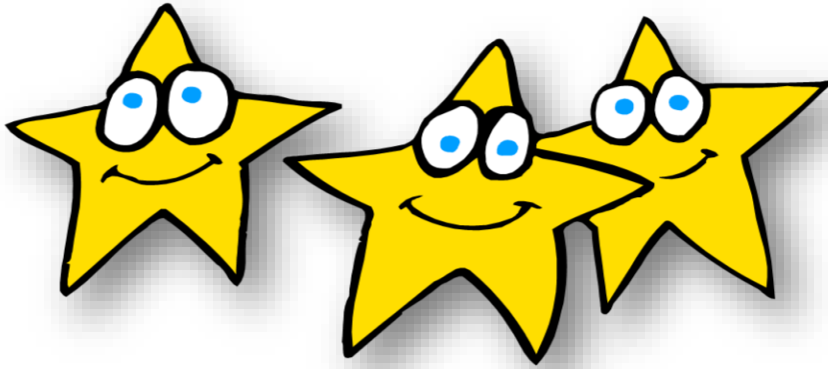
Free and Reduced applications are accepted all year long. Just visit your district website foodservice page to print one or contact your food service manager. If you have an existing application on file and there has been a change in income for your family, you may submit an updated application at any time.

School Lunch Value

- Two (or more) vegetables offered daily
- Variety of fruit to pick from daily
- Local NY apples
- Real food made at your school
- Lean protein & dairy
- Whole grains
- Diverse variety of choices

Try our school meals today!





**GARDNER ROAD PTO JANUARY 2017
NEWSLETTER**

**JANUARY FAMILY
FUN NIGHT
JOYCREST ROLLER SKATING**



Our January fun night will be held at Joycrest Roller Skating Rink in Elmira. The date of the event is January 20th, and will be from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. You can either bring your own skates (no roller blades) or use the skates provided at the rink for a \$2 rental fee (don't forget to wear socks). We will have snacks available for purchase.

**No School:
December 23 -
January 2 Winter
Recess**

**Gardner Road
Talent Show:
January 13 6 p.m.
HS Auditorium**

**Spelling Bee:
5p.m. GR
Cafeteria**

**Don't forget to
keep saving Box
Tops for our
contest in
February**

PTO BOARD:

President: Jenny McKenzie
Vice President: Jennie Fisk
Treasurer: Jen Hourihan
Secretary: Amy Crandall

pto.gardnerroad@gmail.com

Gardner Road Family Fun Night @ Joycrest Skating Rink Friday, January 20th 5:30-7:30



\$2.00 per skate rental.

You can bring your own Roller skates.

No inline skates will be allowed.

We look forward to seeing all the Gardner Road families there!

*There will be a concession stand open with
pizza and snacks available for purchase.*