



RIDGE ROAD REPORTER



JANUARY 2018

Happy New Year Everyone!

Hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful break filled with fun activities and many family gatherings and a very Happy New Year!

All of our K-4th grade students will be participating in the second set of Aimsweb plus Universal Screenings sometime between January 9th and 22nd. As shared with you in September, the screenings are conducted three times a year and help us to identify students that might be at risk in the area of English Language Arts and Mathematics as well as provide valuable information for classroom teachers regarding the individual needs of students and instructional planning.

The Ridge Road Talent Show will be held on Friday, January 19th this year at 6:00 pm in the High School Auditorium. The Talent Show is always a fun night for our students to showcase their dancing, singing, instrument playing, karate moves, magic acts and comedic talents! Don't forget that the forms are due by Monday, January 8th and the auditions will be after school on January 10th. Parents are welcome to perform with their children at this very fun event!

Wishing you the best in 2018,

Mrs. Bailey

Anne-Marie Manikowski-Bailey
Ridge Road Elementary Principal

Character Education Trait for January

Our Character Education Trait for the month of January is Fairness. Students will be focusing on activities that teach about fairness for everyone and will also be learning about people that represent this trait in history. Please also discuss about fairness with your child at home.

Ideas for Discussing Fairness:

- Sharing treats at home... "I cut- you pick"
- Acting out skits about fairness
- Talking as a family about why games have rules
- Discussing with your child what they think fairness is

Outside Activity Time

The students at Ridge Road go outside for physical activity and socialization on a regular basis. We try to go out if the **temperature is at 20 or above**. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the colder weather and snowy conditions. Please don't forget to send **boots, hats, gloves and snowpants with your child to school daily**.

Toys in School

Please take a minute to remind your child that toys, trading cards, CD's, MP3 players, DS systems, cell phones and other electronic devices are not allowed at school. We had to stop the practice of allowing students to bring these items in for lunch and recess because so many games and game systems were being lost and the toys and games were distracting the instruction within the classroom. Thanks for your support with this issue.

School Handbook

The start of school in January after the long winter break is a good time to review expectations and goals. Please take a few minutes to review the Ridge Road School Handbook and District Code of Conduct with your child.

In order to keep Ridge Road a safe and inviting environment for learning, we expect that all members of our school community treat each other in a kind and respectful manner and be responsible at all times.

Bullying, threats and hands-on behaviors of any kind are not acceptable in the school setting. Thank you in advance for reviewing the Ridge Road Handbook with your child and for helping to keep our school a very safe and caring environment for learning.

PTO Notes

Our next PTO meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 9th at 6:30 in the Ridge Road Library.** Babysitting services are available for your children during the meeting. Please join us at 6:30 on the 9th!

Parent Pick-ups at the End of the School Day

When picking-up your child at the end of the school day, please report to the cafeteria to meet him/her. A Ridge Road staff member will be on duty in the cafeteria. Please sign your child out with this staff member prior to leaving the school. For the safety of our students, we will not dismiss any child from the classroom, lobby area or playground.

Also, whenever picking-up children, please pull into a designated parking spot in the back lot. For the safety of our students, the fire lanes next to the school should remain clear at all times.

Dismissal Procedures

To help ensure that children are released to the appropriate place at dismissal, all changes should be put in writing and sent to school with your child. The teachers ask for all notes in the morning. However, if you know your child tends to forget to hand things in, please don't hesitate to also call the office that morning to confirm that we have received the changes. We would rather over communicate with any changes from what was set-up at the start of the year.

If it is an emergency change in procedure, please try to call the office no later than 12:30 pm. Changes being called in around 1:30 pm or after make it very difficult for office staff to reach teachers and students before dismissal. Thanks for your cooperation in this matter and assisting us in keeping all of our little ones safe.

Instructional Time

Once the tardy bell has sounded and we have finished morning announcements at 8:15, instruction will be in session. Please try to have your children arrive at school before 8:10 each morning so they are in their classrooms and ready for class by 8:15. Unless already scheduled with the teacher, we respectfully request that parents not walk their children down the hallway once instruction has started. To

not interrupt instruction, we ask that all visitors/parents come to the office to drop off any items that need to be delivered to the students or teachers.

Also, when picking up a child early for an appointment, please come directly to the office. We will notify the child's teacher and your child will meet you in the office.

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.

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Ridge Road is Anne-Marie Bailey. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any Ridge Road student should be referred to Mrs. Bailey at 607-739-6351.

RIDGE ROAD “ROCK STARS”

Congratulations to the following students from the month of December that have been selected as the Ridge Road “Rock Stars” for being **Responsible, Optimistic, Compassionate, Kind, Successful, Trustworthy, Admirable and Respectful Student**

Mrs. Fazzary

Haden McKinney
Kylee Miller

Mrs. Stoltzfus

Lily Hall
Azrielle Wheeler

Mrs. Beeman

Corilee Aiken
Nathan Blauvelt

Mrs. Nelson

Caitlyn Lunger
Jaxson Curkendall

Mari Palmer

Josiah Nicolae
William Stevens

Miss Whitney

Daniel Miller
Kayla Wright

Mrs. Conklin

Dakota Mastrantonio
Jackson Palumbo

Mrs. Pronti

Amelia Osteen
Hannah Rohr

Mrs. Romanski

MJ Carro
Ryan Benjamin

Miss Stickler

Amelia Parks
Xxzavier Hogan

Mrs. Alexander

Jacob Russell
Justin Blakemore

Mrs. Bower

Cordelia Tice
Madison Bancroft

Mrs. Cady

Amelia Reed
Leighton Weber

Mrs. Benton

Max Doty
Christian Scibek

Miss DiPetta

Aijent Stuck
Serinity Nottingham

Mrs. Murray

Madison Hartsock
Sarah Materne
Kaitlyn Soper
Zachary Sands

Mrs. Wolf

Arielle Lowmaster
Lauren Miller

Mrs. Ford

Peyton Bonomo
Charlie Clayton

Mrs. Fullmer

Alexandria Mosher
Connor LaGier

Mrs. Janeski

Kegan Monahan
Sophia Hulslander

Mrs. McGrain

Laela Inthanongsak

Donovon Tice

SPECIAL AREA TEACHERS

Jacob Abul-Ela

Erica Bancroft

Tyra Blue

Samantha Bonnell

Madison Connell

Addison Cook

Joshua Cooper

Stephanie Curione

Gary Decker

Emma Drake

Annabelle Fitzpatrick

Maggie Hartman

Xxzavier Hogan

Sophia Hulslander

Kingston Inthanongsak

Laela Inthanongsak

Owen Ivansheck

Lucas Kemp

Ava Klesh

Connor LaGier

Cooper Lambert

Ari Lowmaster

Aedan Manzer

Julia Manzer

Hawkins Mitchell

Josiah Nicolae

Madalyn Nugent

Amelia Osteen

Hayli Paradis

Wyatt Privetts

Kaitlyn Procopio

Damien Roupp

Savannah Ryan

Claire Stevens

Logan Swarthout

Emily Theetge

Noah Thompson

Lacey Titsworth

Anna Tobbe

Ramona Trefzger

Jansen Weber

Evangeline Westerfer



Ridge Road Students' Six Day Calendar January 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Day 1 WELCOME BACK	3 Day 2	4 Day 3 Play Rehearsal	5 Day 4	6
7	8 Day 5 Aimsweb Plus Screenings 9th-22nd for all students	9 Day 6 PTO Mtg. 6:30— RR Library Play Rehearsal	10 Day 1 Talent Show Auditions in the Café after School	11 Day 2 Play Rehearsal	12 Day 3	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	16 Day 4 Play Rehearsal	17 Day 5	18 Day 6 Play Rehearsal	19 Day 1 RR Talent Show 6 PM, HS Aud. End of Marking Period	20
21	22 Day 2	23 Day 3 Play Rehearsal	24 Day 4	25 Day 5 Play Rehearsal UST Data Share with Staff	26 Day 6 Report Card Day 3rd & 4th Gr. to HS Aud. (Peter Pan Musical)	27
28	29 Day 1	30 Day 2 Play Rehearsal	31 Day 3	Feb 1 Day 4 Play Rehearsal	2 Day 5	3