

CENTER STAGE



sharing, caring,
and learning for life



Jan./Feb. 2024

FANTASTIC FUN ASSEMBLY!



Center Street Information

BUILDING DOORS WILL BE LOCKED—CHANGE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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. You will need to be buzzed in for you to enter the office. Please push the door once you hear the buzz noise.

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** beginning at 7:35 AM.

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 their 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.

GUIDELINES FOR CLASSROOM PARTIES / CELEBRATIONS

Following the below practices will help to protect your children against food-borne illness. 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. 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.

****TEACHERS DO NOT HAVE KNIVES OR UTENSILS IN THE CLASSROOM-SO PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL TREATS ARE PRE-CUT OR INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED.***

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 by an adult where it will be stored and dispensed. Please contact Mrs. Strong and Mrs. Klein with further questions, please call the office at 795-2580.

APPR of Teacher and Principals - The District is required to implement Annual Professional Performance Reviews (APPR) of teachers and principals. The outcome of the APPR is that each teacher and principal will receive an Overall Composite Rating based upon Observation and Student Performance scores. The four possible Overall Composite Ratings are Highly Effective, Effective, Developing and Ineffective (HEDI). You may request the Overall Composite Rating for the teachers and principals in the school building to which your child is assigned for the current school year by contacting the building principal of your child's school. Further, if you require additional explanation of the ratings for the teachers and principals, you may contact Tony Gill, Assistant Superintendent, at 607-739-5601, x4263. Please note that this information may be released only to parents or legal guardians. The District will verify that any request received is a bona fide request submitted by a parent or legal guardian.

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 Caitlin DeFilippo. Mrs. DeFilippo may be reached at 143 Hibbard Road, 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 actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender (including gender identify and expression). Inquiries regarding this notice may be made to Caitlin DeFilippo, Title IX and DASA Coordinator, or Kelly Squires, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, 143 Hibbard Road, Horseheads NY 14845, (607) 739-5601.



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

What a great school we do have and what a pleasure it is to be part of a community and district which cares so much about building strong children.



The team at CS gets personal satisfaction when we see a student master a particular skill. That is truly immeasurable to us. We embrace the challenge of presenting material in a way that will be most effective for each learner. Knowing that each child learns at a different pace and at different times, we rejoice in sharing in this growth. Our primary message is that high expectations yields high results.

As educators and caregivers, we share in common goals and high expectations for our children, as well as a desire for them to achieve success. Together, we must never settle for less than our personal best. It takes everyone, and will take hard work, creativity, integrity, and positive attitudes to be at our best for our students and children.

***Cheers for never settling for less than our personal best.
Cheers for amazing possibilities for our students and children.”***

Sincerely,

Patti Sotero, Principal

“Crankshaw”

Center Street Elementary Contact Information

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Jamie Sullivan, Secretary
Jessica Koellner, Attendance Clerk
Nicole Strong, RN Nurse - Tammy Klein, LPN

CS PTO
Katrina Ungvarsky - PTO Executive Officer
Lena Munn - PTO Executive Officer
Jamie Dauphinet - PTO Executive Officer
Sue Ungvarsky - PTO Executive Officer

Newsletter in Color: <http://www.horseheadsdistrict.com/centerst/csnews.cfm>

**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!**

This month's Character Education
word is **FAIRNESS**.
TREAT PEOPLE THE WAY YOU WANT
TO BE TREATED!

**Character
Corner**

FANTASTIC WINTER CONCERT

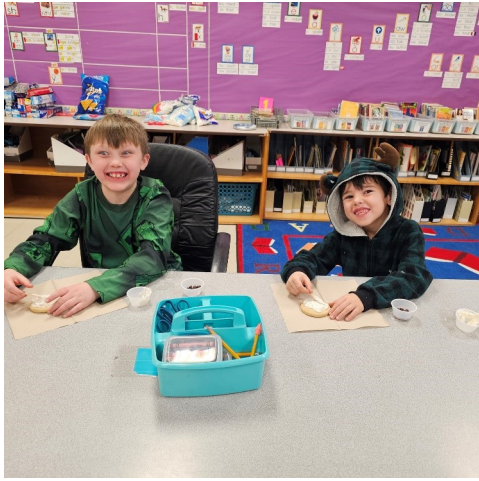


WORKING TOGETHER AT OUR CS FACULTY MEETING!



BEST TEAM!

BUDDY DAY



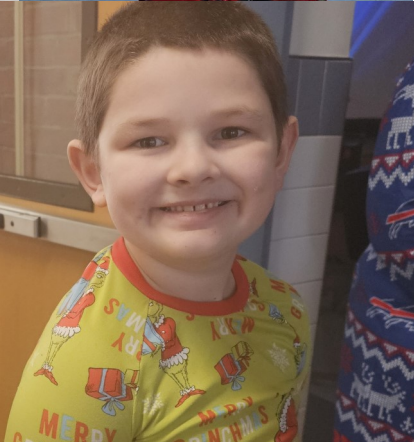
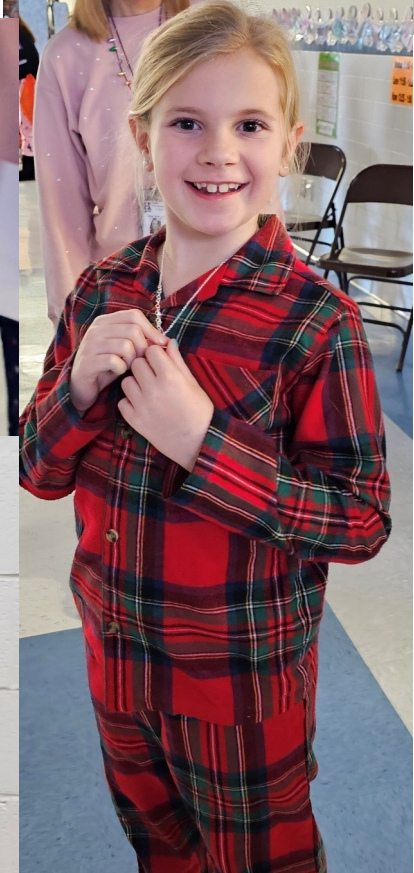
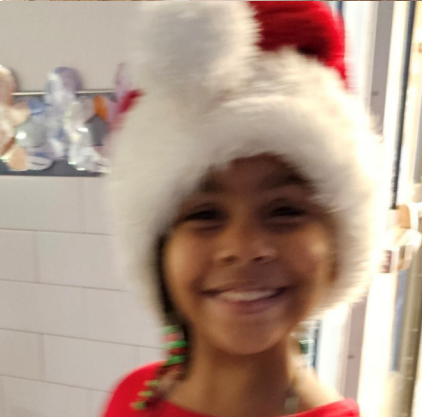
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BUDDY DAY

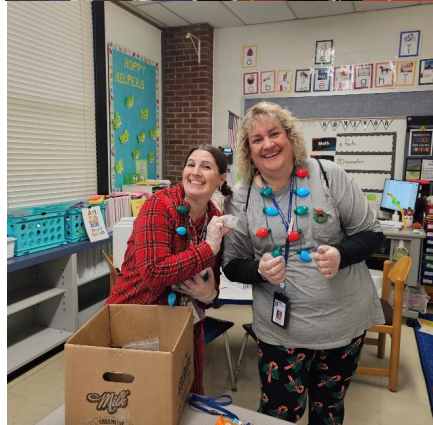


Eating Cookies Together!

PJ DAY



PJ DAY



**CS Staff
gives to our
local
First
Responders.
Thank you!**

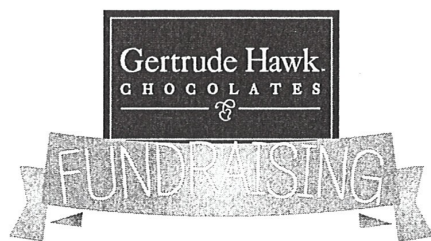


**Free Hair Cuts
provided by our
BOCES Cosmetology
Team!**



GREAT DEC. MEMORIES...





CENTER STREET ELEMENTARY

GROUP NAME

Dear Supporters,

We are pleased to offer Gertrude Hawk Chocolates as part of our Fundraising program this year. We are holding a **Spring Chocolate Sale**. It's easy to participate! You can shop the enclosed catalog OR shop online.

Online orders placed within the sale dates can choose to have their orders delivered for free with the main shipment. Out of town friends and family can choose to send their orders directly to their home (shipping fees apply). Simply set up an account and share a link so friends and family can shop our Spring Catalog virtually. **All web orders require credit card payment, that's money YOU DON'T HAVE TO COLLECT!**

If you are submitting a paper order form keep the bottom copy and brochure for your records. **Paper order forms should NOT include any online sales.** Total dollars sent in should equal Grand Total Amount on order form.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CENTER STREET PTO

Online orders that are being shipped to a home can be placed up until 3/17/24.

Sell and earn prizes! Every student who sells at least ONE ITEM will receive a PRIZE! Levels are based on total sales. If you submit a brochure order and also sell online, **your child's name must match exactly to earn their prize.**

We are Raising Funds For: **CENTER STREET PTO**

Our Fundraiser is From: **01/29/2024 TO 02/19/2024**

Our Organization ID # is: **703047**

Estimated Delivery Date: **WEEK OF MARCH 18TH**

Parents! Here's how to get started

- Go to fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com
- In the "I am a Parent" block, click **"SEE MY OPTIONS"**
- Click **"START ADDING A SELLER"**
(You'll be prompted to create an account or login)
If you do not have a Gertrude Hawk Chocolates account you must create one to add a seller
- Click **"MY SELLERS"** in the left side column
- **ADD** your seller
- **SAVE** your seller
- Share the **ORGANIZATION ID** above and **SELLER NAME** with family and friends

<https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fr-home-new>

<https://fundraising.gertrudehawkchocolates.com/fr-parent>

**THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL
ON MON., JAN. 29TH
FOR OUR SUPERINTENDENT'S
CONFERENCE DAY.**



**There will be NO SCHOOL
PRESIDENT'S DAY AND
WINTER BREAK
FEBRUARY 19 – 23, 2024.**

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MARCH MADNESS



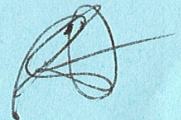
March Madness Raffle System

Our March Madness Reading Challenge will have several types of prizes!



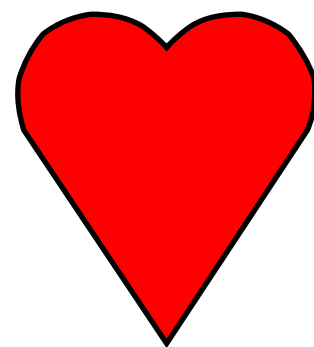
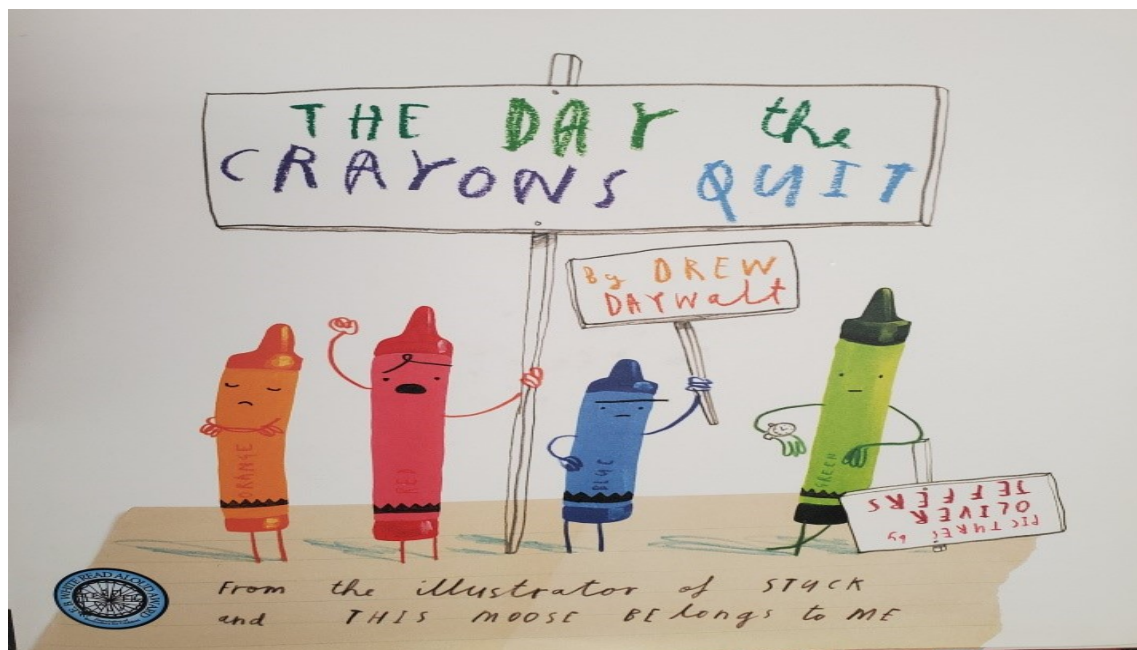
- All Students will receive a Center Street Reading Challenge prize as well as a weekly bookmark and reading log.
- Each week, the student in each classroom with the highest number of minutes read will be announced on the morning announcements and receive a special prize.
- Each week, the classroom with the highest number of minutes read will be announced on the morning announcements and will receive a special prize.
- At the end of the month, any student who has returned a reading log will have their names placed into a raffle to win amazing prizes!
- At the end of the month, the weekly TOP readers from each classroom will be placed in a raffle for the hoverboards, scooters, and other grand prizes!

Good luck and keep shooting for your goals!



CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH!

We appreciate the dedicated volunteers who will be coming to CS to read and discussed books as a part of the National African American Read In program sponsored by the National Council of English Teachers. The local [African American Read-In of the Southern Tier of NY](#) Program is lead by Corning Incorporated volunteers along with volunteers from the Corning Museum of Glass. This year, we will be having the privilege of hearing about the wonderful stories throughout each of our grades in Pre-K - 4.



CENTER STREET PTO

Come out and join the fun on
Wed., Feb. 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm for our CS
PTO meeting via zoom for a great night of
planning exciting activities for all to enjoy!

We hope to see you there!

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://horseheadsdistrict.zoom.us/j/96978725695?
pwd=OGRGRWlvNTRIUnBHeHpzOXEwSFM2dz09](https://horseheadsdistrict.zoom.us/j/96978725695?pwd=OGRGRWlvNTRIUnBHeHpzOXEwSFM2dz09)

Meeting ID: 969 7872 5695

Passcode: CSPTO



SPORTS DAY

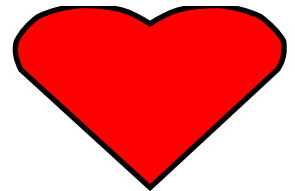
Friday, February 9, 2024



- If you play sports, wear your team shirt or wear a jersey from your favorite team,
- NO cleats, helmets, shin guards, or gloves



**National
Congenital Heart
Awareness Day -
Wear Red - 2/14!**



**RED, WHITE AND PINK
SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY!
WED., FEBRUARY 14, 2024**

Wear as much red, white,
and pink as you can and join
in the Student Council Fun
Day at Center Street!

♥ Happy Valentine's Day



Coming Soon... FREE HAIRCUTS!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024

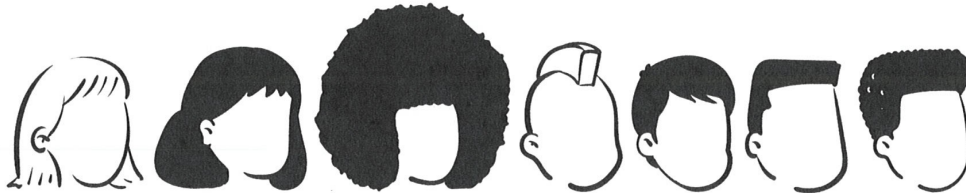
GST BOCES Cosmetology is once again offering free- that's right, FREE haircuts to our students!

**WE WILL BE SCHEDULING THE CENTER STREET "SALON" IN OUR MAKER SPACE UPSTAIRS
ONCE AGAIN! SIGN UP FOR ONE, SOME, OR ALL SESSIONS THIS YEAR!**

OUR STUDENTS LOVED GETTING THEIR HAIR DONE AT THE "SALON" UPSTAIRS!

**Don't worry, if your student received their hair cut previously, they are certainly welcome to
get a trim or haircut again.**

The BOCES Cosmetology students will be coming to Center Street and offering free haircuts for your child(ren). Please fill out the attached permission slip and send it in your child's folder back to the school.



(Return this portion to your school)

Haircut Permission Slip

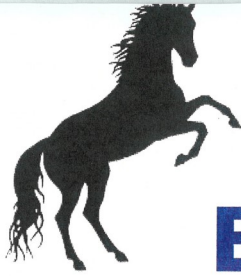
Name of Student: _____ Teacher: _____

Specific Requests for haircut (Certain length, layers, anything off limits?):

Would it be ok for your child to have their photograph taken during their haircut? (Please circle one) YES NO

Parent Signature: _____

Next Haircuts: April 3, 2024



Friday, Feb. 2nd is

Blue Raider Day!

**Wear your Horseheads blue and
show your school spirit!**

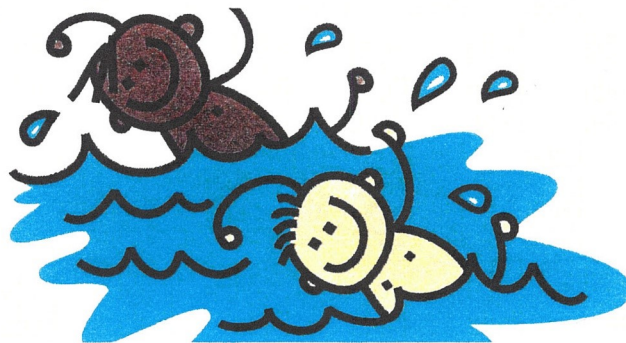
Center Street Family Swim

Night! Friday, February 2nd

6:15 – 7:45 PM

Horseheads High School Pool

This is a free event!



SAVE THE DATE

For our next Swim Night:

Friday, March 1st at 6:15

PM



Good Apple Awards



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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	GRADE	TEACHER
Barbieri	Matthew	K	Mrs. Ripley
Evans	Aria	K	Mrs. Ripley
Gallagher	Olivia	K	Mrs. Ripley
Bower	Donald IV	1	Mrs. Ham
Folinsbee	Sawyer	1	Mrs. Ham
Wise	Nico	1	Mrs. Ham
Crossett	Mason	1	Mrs. Robinson
Houghton	Aria	1	Mrs. Robinson
Newton	Adilynn	1	Mrs. Robinson
Sherwood	Kleo	1	Mrs. Robinson
Twichell	Harper	1	Mrs. Robinson
White	Sofia	1	Mrs. Robinson
Koellner	Claire	1	Ms. Williams
Mallory	Lincoln	1	Ms. Williams
Smith	Paisleigh	1	Ms. Williams
Brooks	Julianne	2	Mrs. Aquilio
Ring	Scarlett	2	Mrs. Aquilio
Troger	Lincoln	2	Mrs. Aquilio
Mitchell	Camden	2	Mrs. Lese
Zevallos	Cologono	2	Mrs. Lese
Karney	Patrick	2	Mrs. Potter
Mullen	Nylah	2	Mrs. Potter
Romanski	Lilliana	2	Mrs. Potter
Storch	Brody	2	Mrs. Potter
Thatcher	Lennox	2	Mrs. Potter
Brewer	Dilyn	3	Mrs. French
Hughes	Savannah	3	Mrs. French
Ostrander	Jillian	3	Mrs. French
Salisbury	Aiden	3	Mrs. French
Campanelli	Parker	4	Mrs. Karastury
Koellner	Khloe	4	Mrs. Karastury
Mosher	Henry	4	Mrs. Karastury
Houghton	Xander	4	Mrs. Prutsman
Keough	Gannon	4	Mrs. Prutsman
Paul	Lily	4	Mrs. Prutsman

FEBRUARY - TRUSTWORTHINESS

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2023—2024						
4	5 DAY 4 CIM 3-4	6 DAY 5	7 DAY 6 Hair cuts Faculty Mtg 2:30 PTO Mtg 7:00 - 8:15	8 DAY 1 CSE Mtg	9 DAY 2 CIM K-2 Sports School Spirit Day	10
11	12 DAY 3 SBT Mtg 2:45	13 DAY 4 CS K Registration by Appointment	14 DAY 5 Happy Valentine's Day! —Red, White, Pink Day! *Congenital Heart Awareness Day	15 DAY 6 BOE Mtg - 6 Transportation	16 DAY 1	17
18	19 PRESIDENT'S DAY NO SCHOOL	20 WINTER BREAK NO SCHOOL	21 WINTER BREAK NO SCHOOL	22 WINTER BREAK NO SCHOOL	23 WINTER BREAK NO SCHOOL	24
25	26 DAY 2 Sq One Art/ Catalogs go home with students/ Candy sale ends	27 DAY 3 Sq One Art Flyers out	28 DAY 4 504 Mtgs	29 DAY 5 BOE Budget Mtg 6:00 pm MMC CIM K-2		

Reminders

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

Always a fun day!



Art Days

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

JANUARY - FAIRNESS

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2023-2024 Winter Break						
	1 HAPPY NEW YEAR No School	2 NO SCHOOL →	3 DAY 1 First Day Back! PTO Mtg 7:00-8:15	4 DAY 2 CIM K-2	5 DAY 3 Raider Day - wear blue -	6
	7 DAY 4 AIMSWEB	8 DAY 5	9 DAY 6 Fac. Mtg 2:30 HAIR CUTS	10 DAY 1 CSE Mtg	11 DAY 2 Magic of a 5 Day Assembly Wear Purple spirit day →	12 DAY 3
	13 DAY 4 MILK JR NO SCHOOL	14 DAY 5 AIMSWEB	15 DAY 6 Book Exchange	16 DAY 1 Book Exchange BOE Mtg - 6 BF	17 DAY 2 Dress Up School Spirit Day	18 DAY 3
	19 DAY 1 504 Mtgs Site Based Mgt 2:45	20 DAY 2 Simulation Test	21 DAY 3 UST GR Level Mtg K-AM UST Gr Level Mtg 1st Gr - PM String Night at IS 7:00	22 DAY 4 CIM 3-4	23 DAY 5 2nd Marking Period Ends	24 DAY 6
	25 NO SCHOOL Conference Day	26 DAY 6	27 DAY 1			
28						