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## Danville Hawkes Soar for Success !

### Newsletter - January 2019



#### Principal's Pen

Dear Danville Families,

This is the time of year we become reflective, as we look forward to a new year, a new start, a new you. We get advice from all around us. Everyone has an opinion of what is best. "If only, ..."

As mentioned in previous newsletters, Danville Staff is implementing Thomas Hoerr's Formative 5 Success Skills: empathy, self-control, integrity, embrace diversity, and grit. To quote his recent research, "If we consider what is essential in every situation, regardless of technology or the workplace may require-it's the ability to know oneself and work with others, our **Human Literacy**, that is essential for success. Today and tomorrow, people with strong intrapersonal and interpersonal success skills will be better able to solve just about every problem."

While we continue to work together to teach our children to be successful, I challenge you to reflect on your own human literacy, and be

proud of all you value and model for children. Join us as we reflect inwardly to share our good outwardly.

For parents and community members wishing to volunteer for upcoming field trips and school events, TRSD requires the completion of a volunteer application, confidentiality agreement, and criminal background check. By April 15th, 2019, please follow the instructions listed below. (Only individuals who have completed the requirements below will be permitted to volunteer in TRSD schools or school events as a "Designated Volunteer").

- 1) Go to Applitrack through an online link on the school district website ([www.applitrack.com/timberlane/onlineapp](http://www.applitrack.com/timberlane/onlineapp))
- 2) Complete a short volunteer application, list three references, select the school(s) that you wish to volunteer at, and then press submit.
- 3) Your application will be forwarded directly to the school principal(s).
- 4) Next, you will receive a call from the Superintendent's office to schedule an appointment for fingerprinting (Background Investigation and Criminal Records Check). Please do not arrive at the SAU for fingerprinting without a scheduled appointment.

5) Bring a valid photo ID to your scheduled appointment at the Superintendent's office (30 Greenough Rd, Plaistow)

6) A member of the Superintendent's team will complete your fingerprinting and submit the district paid fee of \$20.75. (There is no cost to you.)

Many thanks for all you do to make the Danville School Community a happy place!

Happy New Year,  
*Nancy Barcelos*



### A Message from Nurse Sue:

#### Keep Backpacks Clean

As any parent knows, school backpacks can get pretty gnarly from long-forgotten lunches and all the other things children stuff into them. Have your child clean out his backpack regularly. Then clean the inside of the backpack periodically. Always make sure to pack lunches in a bag or lunchbox, not loose in a backpack, to keep backpacks cleaner. In addition, while your child is cleaning out his backpack, remind him to pull out any dirty or wet clothing that may linger behind.



#### Inside and Out

Help protect your child from inside as well as out. Make sure that your student gets enough sleep and exercise, avoids stress, and eats has a well-balanced diet. Pack a healthy lunch and snacks. Encourage your student to drink water at school to help keep her immune system strong.

#### Healthy habits can protect everyone from getting germs or spreading germs at home and at school

Please remember to keep your child home when they are ill. Refer to the guidelines on the website if in doubt. Continue to reinforce covering of the mouth and nose (when coughing or sneezing) with your children. Lastly, reinforce good hand washing techniques- this is our best safeguard!

Sue Goodman  
Danville Elementary Health Office



#### All About Art!

Dear Danville Families,

I hope everyone had a wonderful break!  
We are back into the groove of things here in the Art Room!

Kindergarten will continue working on the Elements of Line, Shape and Color to create works of art. They will also focus

on following room procedures and taking good care of their materials.

First Graders will be listening to the story "Snowmen at Night" and will be creating a work of art about shading with the use of oil pastels.

Second Graders just finished up a project painting a Reflective Landscape. They also learned about the famous artist George Seurat and his method of Pointillism.

Third Graders learned all about the famous artist Henri Matisse. They are working on a painting inspired by his famous artwork "Goldfish". They are focusing on patterns and painting in the lines.

Fourth Graders learned about the famous artist Henri Rousseau. They are creating jungles inspired by his famous jungle paintings.

Fifth Graders just completed their clay slab pots. They learned about clay vocabulary such as slab building, scoring, slip, trimming and firing. They will be glazing them this month.

Thank you so much for your continued support of the Visual Arts. Please feel free to drop off any donations to the art room that students could create three dimensional structures with!

Artfully Yours,  
Mrs. Rice



Science Technology Engineering  
Arts Mathematics with Mrs. Dube

The kindergarteners spent the month of December participating in Christmas related science experiments. Our first experiment involved milk and food coloring. First we mixed the colors to see what new color would develop. We also added a secret ingredient that made the colors dance! Next we looked at the effects of static cling when we rubbed a balloon on our hair to make it stand straight up! The experiment also worked on a tissue paper snowman we were able to make dance! We found out that cranberries jump up and down when put in clear soda, but jingle bells don't and we experimented with magnets and jingle bells to find out how strong a small magnet can be!! As with all our experiments, we recorded our hypothesis and our results for our science journal, which will be sent home at the end of the year.

The fifth graders continued their ten week D.A.R.E. program with instructor Office Justine Merced during the first two weeks of December. They are learning how to make tough decisions using the D.A.R.E. Decision Making Model. During the second two weeks, the students participated in S.T.E.A.M. activities. The first week, they created packaging to ensure safe delivery of a candy cane when the postman

accidentally (?) dropped it on the floor. The second week, the students used their cutting and folding skills to attempt a Holiday Fractal Tree. A fractal is a geometric shape that is used to create a larger pattern in the same shape.



### Enrichment Program

## Enrichment Days for 2018-2019 Save the Dates



### Physical Education

Hello Everyone!

Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season and you were able to get out and enjoy this winter weather we have had lately.

We have just finished up with our Volleyball/Fitness unit and will be starting Basketball skills this week!

Our 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will once again have the opportunity to get outside and enjoy the outdoors during our snowshoe unit at the end of this month.

Please continue to make sure that your son or daughter brings sneakers to change into for P.E. class. This will keep our nice wooden gym floor in good shape as the winter moves along.

As always, if you have any comments or questions, feel free to email me and I will get back to you as soon as I can!

I hope this note finds you happy and active!

-Patrick Ard  
Danville P.E.

[Patrick.Ard@timberlane.net](mailto:Patrick.Ard@timberlane.net)

Dear Parents, we have 2 exciting whole-school enrichment days coming up this year.

➤ **An Around the World** themed day on Friday, February 22, 2019.

If you are interested in coming in to share about a trip you have had, a culture that interests you, something about fashion, geography, art, music, landmarks, Pangea/continents, 7 Wonders of the World, endangered animals... Really anything that fits the Around the World theme; we would love to have you present a workshop. Please let me know no later than Jan. 7, 2019 if you are interested.

And

➤ **A Careers** themed day on Friday, May 31, 2019. Do you have a career you would like to tell children about

Let me know by January 7 if you would like to present a workshop.

Let me know by April 12 if you are interested in presenting a Careers workshop to students.

to encourage them to think about as a possible job/life choice? Then let us know!

Please email me at [Cindy.Wood@timberlane.net](mailto:Cindy.Wood@timberlane.net) and I will share more details about either day. We love having enthusiastic guests share their interests.



The school store will be open for grades 3-5 on Friday, Jan. 18, 2019

during the grade level's recess time. Grade 2 will be welcome to start attending school store in February.

Students are invited to come to see what is available to purchase. Items range from \$.05 to \$4.50.

**Students may not borrow money or ask for money**

**from others.** Students are encouraged to purchase wisely and only buy if they find something they need. Students will generally not be allowed to spend over \$5.00 at the school store. Please



remind your child that students are not allowed to share money, ask for money from others, or give their money away to someone else. Items are bagged and given to your child's classroom teacher for the child to take home that night.

Some items for sale include:

- Wallets for \$2.00 or less
- Mermaid scales pencil pouches for \$2.25
- Rainbow Gel Pens for \$.85
- Unicorn Erasers for \$.50
- Folders (2 pocket) for \$1.50
- Unicorn Key Chain for \$.75
- 7mm Pencil led Koala pencil buddies \$.75

Plus many new items



**Our next school store will be on Friday, Feb. 15, 2019. If you are able to help at the school store please email Cindy Wood at [cindy.wood@timberlane.net](mailto:cindy.wood@timberlane.net). Thank you!**

**Other upcoming school store dates  
Grades 2-5: Feb. 15 and March 15, 2019**

# STUDENT COUNCIL



## Student Council Corner

### School Pride

The Danville Student Council has been very busy so far this year. We are very proud of all our members from fourth and fifth grade and amazed at their commitment and drive to make sure our school community, and others outside of our community, are thought of. Recently they completed a "thoughtful" bulletin board in our school lobby. It looks wonderful and is inspiring to others to be reminded of all the wonderful things in their lives.



## Seniors and Veterans

Student Council had provided a holiday workshop to all students and staff, to decorate a card or design an ornament for our seniors in Plaistow that attend the Vic Geary Center and for the



Veterans in Manchester. Each card and gift will be presented at their upcoming holiday parties. Each organization was so very much appreciative!

Thank you Student Council Members and Danville Community

