



Important Dates to Remember:

- ☐ **12:40 Dismissal Days: 6/11, 6/12 and 6/13**
- ☐ **6TH Grade Recognition Ceremony: 6/12 at 7**
- ☐ **Last Day of School: 6/13**
- ☐ **Board of Education Meeting: 6/24 in Library at 7 pm**

ALL VISITORS TO STILLWATER SCHOOL MUST SIGN IN AT THE MAIN OFFICE UPON ARRIVAL AND SIGN OUT WHEN LEAVING.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

ATTENTION YEARBOOK INFORMATION:

We have an extra 9 yearbooks available for purchase. Please contact Michelle Gerhardt at 973-383-6635 if you would like to purchase one for \$19. They will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

MUSIC NEWS:

Keep music in your summer by trying some of these games and activities!

Name That Tune: This is a game you can play with your friends and family. Pick one of your favorite songs, or a song everyone will know, then hum or whistle the song and see if anyone can guess what song it is! **Listen to new music:** When you're in the car or at home listening to music, change the station. See if you can listen to different genres or types of music. Try to find jazz, pop, country, classical, rock and more! **Write your own song:** Use your creativity to play a new song on your instrument or write the words to your own music. Put on a performance for your family with all the songs you wrote. **Sing:** Singing is an easy way to keep music in your summer. **Music Technology:** On Ms. Franck's teacher webpage, there are different music links to try to create your own songs, beats and explore music in a whole new way!

HEALTH NEWS:

Here are some tips to Stay Safe and Healthy this summer:

- Make sure you wear sunscreen
- Drink plenty of water
- Wear a bicycle helmet when riding your bike
- Eat plenty of fruits and vegetables
- Be sure to wash your hands before preparing or serving any food.

We hope you have safe and healthy summer and see you in September!
Miss Radimer & Mr.Reed

ABSENTEE CALLS: All absences must be reported directly to our dedicated attendance line **by 9:30am - 973-383-3227**. Kindly keep in mind this number is for **Absentee Calls ONLY**. If you need to speak directly to the nurse Maureen Beckman or leave a message for her, she can be reached at 973-383-6171 ext. 216. The nurse's voice mail should be used for health concerns **other than attendance**.

SCHOOL HOURS: The school day is 8:25 AM until 3:06 PM for all children. **Whenever possible, ALL children should be strongly encouraged to take the bus in order to ensure that they are on time.** Morning drop-off is available in the gym from 8:00-8:25 am. Any drop-off after 8:25 is at the main entrance after the buses have unloaded.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE: Students need to be in school every day to stay on track. Teachers' lesson plans are carefully constructed to introduce new concepts, reinforce them with learning activities, and then move on to new skills and ideas. When children aren't in school they can easily fall behind. The more days they miss, the harder it is to catch up. **Families will be contacted via a mailing after a child accumulates four unexcused absences, again when a child accumulates five to nine unexcused absences, and finally when the child has ten or more unexcused absences. Letters are automatically generated by our data system.** After ten unexcused absences, if the district determines that the compulsory attendance law has been violated, a court referral may be made, as required by district policy and New Jersey State Law (N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.6). Please ensure that if your child is absent that you follow up with written documentation to avoid an unexcused absence. Definitions of excused absences can be found on the district website under the *Parent Resources* tab.

BUS STOP REMINDER: Parents/Guardians – It is important that you are at your child's(ren's) bus stop on time. If you have not signed a waiver stating that your child may be let off without someone present, the bus will return your child to school if a designated person is not there to receive them. **A \$25 charge is incurred by the family if the bus has to return to the school with your child(ren).** As of 9/1/19, the **Stocker Bus Company will increase the charge to \$75.00.**

MORNING DROP OFF: Morning Drop off is available in the gym from 8:00 – 8:25 a.m. Students being dropped off cannot enter the building until 8:00 am. Any drop at 8:25 or after is at the main entrance after all buses have unloaded.

AFTERNOON PICK UP: Parents will need to wait outside the gym doors and your child/children will be brought out to you. You will be greeted at the doors by a staff member to sign out your child/children. Once you have signed them out, a staff member will bring the students to you at the door.

AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES PICKUP:

If your child is staying for any after school activity, it is your responsibility to pick up your child at the designated time. We know that emergencies can occur, however, there is no one to answer the switchboard after 4:00 p.m. If an emergency occurs please plan for an alternate or emergency contact to pick your child up from the activity. As of Monday April 8, 2019 all exterior building doors will be locked for after school programs. This includes the rear door by the elevator and the gym doors. This security measure is recommended by local law enforcement, our school security officers and the Stillwater Safety Committee. If your child participates in after school clubs/events, this will impact pick up procedures.

- Pick up will ONLY take place at the main entrance of the school.
- Clubs will dismiss at their regularly scheduled time.
- Teachers will escort students to the main entrance to be released to parents/guardians.

If you will be picking up early from a club or ASLC, please notify the main office via green note or email. Early pick-ups must be by 4 pm. Otherwise, the students must remain in their club or activity until the designated dismissal time.

SIGNING STUDENTS OUT: All students who are leaving the school building must be signed out by a parent/guardian or **authorized** person. If your child will not be riding the bus home (ex: staying for an after-school activity, or being picked up), a green bus note **must** be sent in that morning to the homeroom teacher. For students attending KEEP or First Impressions, or being picked up on a **regularly SCHEDULED**

basis, please write that in a note (preferably on a green bus note) including the details of child's specific schedule, **bus route number**, and a contact person for our records. **Any phone calls, or email requests regarding your child's end of the day dismissal must be made before 12:00pm unless it is an emergency situation.** For requests made after 12:00pm, a decision will be made by administration as to whether or not we will be able to honor that request. Any questions, please contact Mrs. Roberts or Mrs. Roycroft.

REAL TIME PARENT PORTAL: Please remember to login to the Real time parent portal and update your child(ren)'s contact information if needed as well as filling out any forms for the current school year.

REMINDER TO PARENTS:

Students are not to bring personal items for play into school. Various balls and equipment for recess are provided by the school. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENTS

COMMUNITY EVENTS

GIRL SCOUT FIELD DAY REGISTRATION

Interested in joining Girl Scouts but not sure where to start? Join the Kittatinny Service Unit on **June 30th** for our first ever registration event! We'll be getting all the girls out and moving with tons of field day games and activities. While the girls are having fun, parents can meet the leaders and learn why Girl Scouts is such a great organization to be a part of. This event is **FREE** to all girls from kindergarten – seniors in high school for the 2019-2020 school year. The event will run from 2-4pm and is being held at the Hampton Pit (behind the municipal building). For more information contact Jamie Garrigan at (973)287-9259.

We can't wait to see you there!
*** Not a school sponsored event ***

Stillwater PTA

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Land of Make Believe Trip - Monday, June 17th Rain date June 22. Payment is due no later than May 31st.

The Stillwater PTA would like to congratulate our newly elected board members for the 2019-2021 term:

President: Tanya O'Shea
Vice President: Amanda Gilmore
Treasurer: Alicia Gardner
Recording Secretary: Christine Bello
Corresponding Secretary: Samantha Cuff

and a big thank you to this year's board members - Arlean Konar, Alicia Gardner, Kayla Philhower, Christine Bello, and Tanya O'Shea

We would also like to thank all of those who participated in and helped with our recent events such as the Cultural Arts Trip, Mother/Son Science Night, Mother Daughter Spa Night, Mother's Day Flower Sale, Teacher Appreciation, Book Fair, and Tricky Tray. An extra special thank you to our chair people who made these events happen!

Thank you to all of our chair people who volunteered countless hours and energy to making this an amazing year for our students! We could not do any of these activities without our chair people and volunteers! Thank you to Jen Domaracki, Kathy Pavarnik,, Traci & Keith Trotter, Tim Reilly, Holly DeStefano, Carrie Weeks, Kate Teresi, Jen McPeek, Kayla Philhower, Tanya O'Shea, Christine Bello, Alicia Gardner, Aneesha Begraft, Tara Tosti, Arlean Konar, and Sami Lupo!

Just a reminder, our last event of the year is the group trip to the Land of Make Believe on Monday, June 13th. Participants who have paid for their tickets are reminded to meet at the front gate area of the park (near the ticket booths) at 9:45am to pick up your wristbands. Wristbands/tickets will be handed out by Tanya O'Shea (not from the actual ticket booths). Please send one person from each party to pick up wristbands to make the line move as quickly and smoothly as possible. Any questions or concerns, please contact Tanya O'Shea stillwaterptacorsec@yahoo.com or 973-590-4972

PTA Memberships are also now available for the 2019-2020 school year [Stillwater PTA](#)

Don't forget to look for information regarding the 2019-2020 back to school picnic in your summer packets!

Have a wonderful summer from all of on the PTA board!! Looking forward to another wonderful year next year!