

POSITIVE QUOTE OF THE WEEK
 Read by: Kyle Cain
 "Freedom's just another word for nothin' left to lose."
 ~sung by Janis Joplin

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

PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING IMPORTANT MESSAGES

ABSENTEE CALLS: All absences must be reported directly to our dedicated attendance line: **973-383-3227**. Kindly keep this number handy. **DO NOT** call the main school phone number or use the personal voice mail of our nurse, Maureen Beckman. The nurse's voice mail should be used for health concerns other than attendance.

SCHOOL HOURS: The school day is 8:25 AM until 3:00 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. Walkers and/or children who are dropped off by their parents **SHOULD NOT ARRIVE TO SCHOOL PRIOR TO 8:15 AM**. Thank you for your cooperation.

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).** Thank you for your cooperation!



- **FIELD DAY – MONDAY, JUNE 16TH**
- **6TH GRADE RECOGNITION: THURS., JUNE 19TH – 7PM**
- **JUNE 19TH, 20TH, 23RD – EARLY DISMISSAL AT 12:40PM**

STILLWATER SCHOOL 2ND ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

ALL proceeds will directly benefit the 6th grade by defraying the cost of their class trip to Washington, DC in November.

Please show them your support!

Farmstead Golf & Country Club

88 Germany Flats Rd.
 Lafayette Township, NJ 07848



Monday, August 18, 2014

Check in: 8:15 AM

Shotgun Start: 9:00 AM

Lunch: Following Golf (1:30 PM)

Cost: \$100 per person

(includes: green fees, cart, lunch & prizes!)

For information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact René Solar at 973-383-6171 or rene.solar@stillwaterschool.net.

What a great way to advertise your business and show your support of our 6th grade class!

Registration forms are available in the Main Office.

WHAT A TREAT!: Stillwater School was very lucky to get a visit from Ms. Vanessa Peemoller's 4th year German class from KRHS. The high school students shared the English and German translated versions of Margaret Wise Brown's book *The Fish With the Deep Sea Smile* with some of the classes from 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade. After the story, students learned how to say "Good Morning", "Thank you", "Good-bye" and the names of many different animals. This was a great way for the children of Stillwater School to be exposed to another language (modeled by students at their future High School) while giving the high school students an opportunity to use and share what they have learned over the last 4 years.

6TH GRADE NEWS: The sixth graders have been learning about Force and Motion during the 4th marking period. This week the 6th graders will be launching soda bottle rockets that they made at home. The rockets are going to illustrate Newton's first 3 laws of motion. They are extremely excited and hopeful that their rocket will fly the highest!

SCHOOL COUNSELING CORNER: Tune into Classroom Close-Up and watch our segment "B Social." The students did a great job. We will be celebrating the first year of the B Social program with an end of year dinner and party. Students from the program, along with teachers, and parents, will celebrate and share their successes. The party is on June 18th from 6 to 8 pm in the cafeteria. Please RSVP by 6/12 to 973-383-3998.



STUDENT COUNCIL CAR WASH RESCHEDULED!

Where: Stillwater School

When: Monday, June 16th

Time: 3:00-5:00 pm

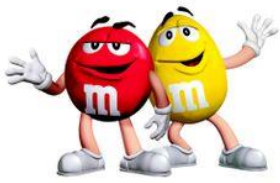
Cost: Donations will be accepted to benefit the Flynn family.

5TH GRADE LANGUAGE ARTS: As the year is winding down, students in 5th grade language arts are finishing the novel, *The Homework Machine*. The book is about a group of 5th grade students at Grand Canyon Elementary School who design a homework machine to do all of their homework for them. Kelsey, Sam, Brenton and Judy are all acing their homework, and their school year is flying by until word gets out about their invention. Now their teacher, Miss Rasmussen, is suspicious, they are being questioned by the police and they have to devise a plan to get rid of the machine before their secret is confirmed. Will they get caught or will they get away with it? That's what we will find out this week when we finish our last novel of the year, *The Homework Machine*.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: Now that summer is approaching, there is some information you should know about taking care of an instrument. Regular maintenance for your instrument is important. It keeps the instrument clean, functioning, and playing. After playing an instrument for a full school year, it's a good idea to get instruments inspected by a local music shop for damaged parts or a tune up. Instruments should be professionally cleaned after playing them during the school year, especially to keep your child healthy. Keeping instruments in their cases for long periods of time, like over the summer can also cause problems. Please encourage your children to play some fun music over the summer. That way, the instrument is being used and students are practicing basic music skills. A quick reminder to all the Beginning Band sign ups and returning to Advanced Band sheets are due next Monday, June 16th.

REMINDER: All students entering 6th grade are required to show proof of the following vaccinations: 1 dose of a meningococcal vaccine when the child turns 11 years of age, 1 dose of Tdap vaccine. An exception applies to children who have received recent DTP/DTap or Td (tetanus) vaccine. A child is not required to have the Tdap until 5 years after the last DTP/DTap or td dose. The school will need documentation of prior vaccination if applicable. Please call the health office if you have any questions pertaining to this requirement. The summer is a very busy time to catch up on vaccinations and it may be difficult to get last minute appointments. Please schedule an appt. for your child to receive the vaccinations if you have not already done so.

KINDERGARTEN NEWS: June has been a fun and busy month in kindergarten! We have been reflecting on our year together and talking about our favorite memories. We have made lots of gifts for our dads for Father's Day. It is hard to believe that we are reading and writing. We have grown so much since September! The kindergarten classes wish everyone a happy and safe summer!



THIRD GRADE NEWS: Third Graders have started their last unit for the year: Chocolate! We are reading Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. Students have been enjoying reading the book fluently, as well as developing their comprehension skills. This week students used M & M's to further develop their predicting and graphing skills. They also learned how to write fractions as decimals and percentages. Students had a blast completing this chocolate activity. Mrs. Callanan, Mrs. Then, Mrs. Mahedy, and Mrs. Swakopf look forward to seeing everyone at our End of the Year class party on Thursday, June 19th (10:30-11:45). We have had an outstanding year and wish everyone a great summer.

NATURE CLUB NEWS: The last session of the Nature Club met this week and we had a lot of fun. Despite the weather being a bit uncooperative this year, the student's enjoyed being outside - especially during our scavenger hunt, weed walk and when we used compasses to find our way around. We learned how to identify trees and even tried making our own recycled paper. In addition to all of our educational ventures, we enjoyed a few "games" and some craft projects. We all discovered that nature adapts in many unique ways, some of which are stranger than fiction. Ms. Grau would like to thank all of the children that participated in the Nature Club this year!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: The end of the school year is approaching fast. Students' medications that are stored in the health office must be picked up by the end of the school year. Ideally, medication should be picked up at the very end of the school year. Medication that remains after the last day of school will be discarded. An exception is made for students who will be attending summer school. If your child is attending summer school, you may pick up the medication at the end of the summer school session. If your child will require medication to be administered at school during the upcoming school year, a new doctor's order will be required. Look for medication permission slips for the 2014-2015 school year in the summer mailing.



STILLWATER IDOL: The three finalists from each homeroom auditioned this week. Although all the students did a good job, unfortunately, only one student from each homeroom could advance to the next round of the competition. **Congratulations** to Nicole Vassallo, Kurt Kimble and Grace Maruska – they will be singing in the Finale.

FINALE: will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2014. All of the 5th and 6th grade classes will be in the audience to listen to this final phase of the competition. The finalists will choose a song to perform on the stage in the all purpose room. However, for this performance a group of judges

from outside of the school will be judging the performances and a new "6th Grade Stillwater Idol" will be announced. Thanks to everyone who participated in Stillwater Idol. Good luck to the finalists! ~Mrs. Hatch

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER ELECTION - If you have been a resident of Stillwater Township for more than one year and are interested in becoming a school board member, now is the time to obtain the Nominating Petitions and School Board Candidate Kit from the County Clerks website, or the board of education office. There are three positions open, each for a three year term. Petitions must be completed and returned to the Sussex County Clerk's Office by July 28, 2014 by 4:00 p.m. The School Board Election is held with the General Election on November 4, 2014. Please contact René Solar at (973) 383-8954 or rene.solar@stillwaterschool.net if you have any questions.

THE FOLLOWING ARE NOT SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENTS

FUNDRAISERS

MARKET DAY: It's time to stock up on all your Market Day favorites! Our June sale will be the last one until the Fall. Flyers have been handed out, and every item that is pictured in the flyer is on sale this month! Also, when inputting your order online, do not forget to check out the Clearance Items, as many of them are reduced up to 60% off! Due to the end of the school year and Market Day's trucking schedule, June's sale has been moved up to June 17th. This means the cutoff to get your orders in has been cut down to just under two weeks. Paper orders are due back to school by Tuesday, June 10th, and all online orders must be input by 11 pm on Wednesday, June 11th. The sale pickup date is Tuesday, June 17th. Questions, contact Cheryl Castner, 973-579-3182 or ccastner@embarqmail.com. Thank you for your continued support of this fundraiser!!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

STILLWATER DAY: SATURDAY, JUNE 21ST - (rain date, 6/22). The day will start at 2pm with the Miss Stillwater, Little Ms. & Mr. Stillwater, music, food, bounce houses and ending with **FIREWORKS!** **Yes, we have been able to bring back the fireworks!** Please spread the word to the community & we hope to see you all there! Vendor applications for nonprofit & profit groups are available on the town website and at town hall due no later than 6/10.

2014 KMFL COMPETITION CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS: With the possibility of forming two teams, KMFL will be having their final Competition Cheerleading tryouts on Saturday, June 14, 2014 at 12:30 pm at The Hampton Park aka, The Pit. Students grade 3-8 as of Sept 2014 are eligible to tryout. Pre-registration is required. To register or for more information contact Joni Torppey, KMFL Cheerleading Director at jtorppey@embarqmail.com

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STILLWATER GARAGE SALE DAY: JULY 19th rain or shine. Registrations are available on the town website & at town hall. All forms must be received by 7/9. Maps will be available in town hall beginning 7/14.

STILLWATER SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM: Swartswood State Park- weeks of August 11th & 18th (9-1pm). Ages 5-12 (entering Kindergarten-6th grade). Registration forms are on town website, at town hall & in the school's main office. Forms must be received by 7/31. Stillwater residents only.

LITTLE MISS AND MISTER STILLWATER: The Little Miss Stillwater and Little Mister Stillwater pageants will be held on Stillwater Day, Saturday June 21, 2014 at Veteran's Park on Pond Brook Road. Applications are available at the Stillwater School and the Township offices on Stillwater Road. Applications are due by June 13, 2014. Thank you for your interest!

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL: The Stillwater Historical Society will be holding its annual Strawberry Festival on Sunday, June 15th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Come enjoy the festival featuring live music, horse and wagon rides, museum tours, a bake sale, and fresh strawberry shortcake! For more information, please contact Berry English at betty.english@historicstillwater.org.

NORTH WARREN ALLIANCE DANCE: Friday, June 20th from 7pm – 9pm at the Blairstown Fire Hall on Mohican Road in Blairstown. Open to all 4th, 5th, and 6th graders. Cost is \$10.00 per person and all proceeds benefits our local U-11 Travel Soccer Team for the 2014/2015 season. Snacks, beverages, great music and fun surprises at this parent chaperoned event!



STILLWATER PTA

The Stillwater PTA would like to wish everyone a happy & healthy Summer!!