



February 2024

Home-School Connection

Dates to Remember

Feb. 6 EPTSO Meeting - 6 pm - Schoharie Free Library
Feb. 7 Adventure Club Field Trip - Schenectady County Recreation Facility
Feb. 8 Elementary School Physicals 9-11:00 am
Feb. 12-15 Kindness Week
Feb. 15 Read for Ronald McDonald House Kickoff
BOE Meeting 7 pm
Feb. 16-23 **NO SCHOOL** - Winter Recess
March 1 Sweethearts and Heroes Ball Pre-K-Grade 5, 6-8 pm

EPTSO Corner

Elementary- We are planning a Sweethearts and Heroes Dance for March 1st! Be on the lookout for details!

Parent- Please join us for our monthly meetings to find out how you can support our school.

Teacher- The EPTSO supports you! Please know that we are here to help and remember that if you need something for your classroom please fill out a funding request.

Student- Remember to stop by the Little Free Library to pick up a good book and to read for 20 minutes every day.

Organization- Getting involved with the EPTSO is a fantastic way to support your child's education, get to know other parents, and model community spirit for your children. Please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday February 6th at 6pm at the Schoharie Free Library.



**Read for Ronald McDonald House
Coming in March**



Cold Weather Reminder

Please send your child with appropriate winter clothing as they do go outdoors for recess. Appropriate dress includes a winter coat, snow pants, boots, mittens/gloves, and a hat. We will continue to go outside unless the temperature is below 20 degrees.

No Place for Hate

"I promise to do my best to treat everyone fairly.
I promise to do my best to be kind to everyone—even if they are not like me.
If I see someone being hurt or bullied, I will tell a teacher.
Everyone should be able to feel safe and happy at school.
I want our school to be No Place for Hate."

For the sixth year, everyone in Schoharie Elementary School signed the No Place for Hate promise. The commitment of each of our students and staff members to become a "No Place for Hate" is one we take seriously. Please speak with your child about remembering the promise they've made to end hate in our school.

Mrs. Polikoski



Message from the School Nurse



Vaccine Reminder: Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis (**Tdap**) **adolescent booster vaccine is required for students who have turned age 11, and prior to entering grade 6.** Please discuss this with your student's health care provider.

Annual Physicals - please remember to send the School Nurse a copy of the NYS Health Examination form that should be completed by your child's health care provider when they have their annual physical.

Attendance Reminder: A signed, written excuse is required for all days that your student is absent, **even if you call and speak with the school nurse OR your student was sent home from school by the nurse.**

Vision and Hearing Screenings will be happening throughout the next couple of months for those students in grade Pre-K, K, 1, 3 and 5. Any abnormal screenings will be communicated to the parent/guardian.

News from the Counselor

Our community goal for the next two months are focused around inclusion. We are celebrating differences in our community and working to be sure that we include everyone and make sure everyone feels welcome and safe in our Schoharie Elementary community. Students can ask a friend to sit with them at lunch, ask a new friend to play on the playground, and notice when it looks like someone is being left out of a game. The February character trait of the month is fair. Fair isn't always equal. Fair is everyone getting what they need to be successful. We are looking forward to share in your children's growth and learning about this character trait!



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