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EAST NORTHPORT
MIDDLE SCHOOL

PARENT LINK



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Principal's Corner

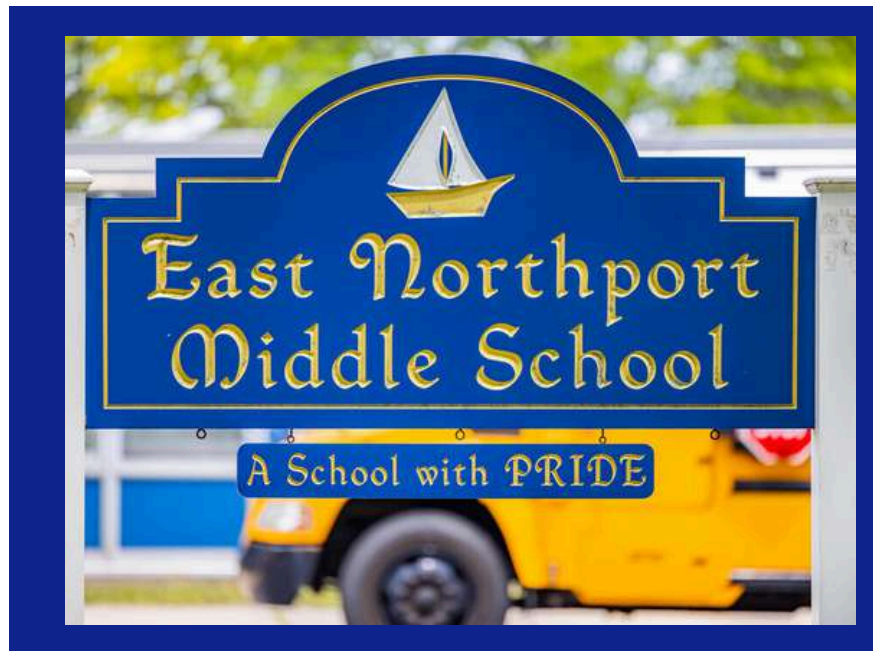
Dear Parents/Guardians,

We are fast approaching "that most wonderful time of the year". Winter's chill is in the air and the holidays are upon us. As we plan ahead for the celebrations of the season, let's reflect on some of the happenings of the past month.

The many talents of our children were once again on display at this year's Variety Show. The event was a huge success due to the passion and dedication of all those involved. On a daily basis here at ENMS, we are reminded of the many gifts and talents of our students. Congratulations to our students, and a heartfelt thank you to our advisors, Mrs. Leahy, Mrs. McDonagh, Ms. Lange, Ms. Hehir and all who devoted countless hours towards this production. It was worth every second!

Music is in the air, as our first winter concert of the season will be held on Tuesday, December 17th. It is still amazing that in this age of video streaming, a live performance continues to be a special and unique experience. Help us to educate our children on proper concert etiquette. Remember to turn off all cell phones and refrain from talking or leaving the auditorium during a musical piece. As in the great city concert halls, we encourage you to remain for the whole performance. It is the most appropriate way to show appreciation to our performers for their efforts and you won't be disappointed.

Principal's Corner
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Looking ahead to January, our second concert of the season showcasing our 6th grade and specialty groups will be on Wednesday, January 8th, while our third concert of the season showcasing our 5th grade groups will be on Thursday, January 16th. Like our first Winter Concert, we are looking forward to celebrating the talents of our younger students with much anticipation. A heartfelt thank you to our students and advisors, Ms. Collura, Ms. Maguire, Mr. Preddice, Mr. Seib, Ms. Surajbali, Ms. Vitevitch, Mrs. Wiese and all who devoted countless hours towards these concerts. It was worth every minute!

Finally, as we look to the New Year, we leave you with a quote from Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" On behalf of all of our staff here at East Northport Middle School, we would like to wish all of you and your families a very healthy and happy holiday season, as well as an exceedingly happy and healthy New Year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pat DeStefano".

Pat DeStefano, Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Laurie Storch".

Laurie Storch, Assistant Principal



5th Grade



6th Grade

October Students of the Month



7th Grade



8th Grade



5th Grade



6th Grade

November Students of the Month



7th Grade



8th Grade

NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY



The National Junior Honor Society is pleased to announce that we have once again prepared Thanksgiving food baskets which were distributed to five of our own ENMS families. The students of the NJHS worked tirelessly to collect food and monetary donations so that our local families could have a nice, healthy Thanksgiving dinner. Officers Colin Lopez (President), Tess Kim (Vice President), Payton Borland (Treasurer) and Parker Ciaio

(Secretary) took time out of their busy lives to purchase the gift cards and prepare these beautiful baskets.

Candidate Information Forms for selection into the East Northport Middle School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) will be available on-line through the school homepage on Tuesday, January 13, 2025. Any 7th or 8th grade student who believes that they meet the requirements for NJHS are encouraged to submit a candidate information form by February 14, 2025. The selection process will be completed in a timely fashion and acceptance letters will be distributed by March 2024. Please note: that changes have been made to the candidate information form and the selection process so be sure to read and follow ALL directions that apply. If students have any questions regarding the application process the student should see Ms. Hehir (room 112) or Ms. Lange (room 114) during their homeroom or lunch period.

GRATEFUL



Our morning hangout group of children in STARS created a bulletin board entitled “Thanksgiving.” The children were encouraged to reflect on being grateful for everything they have and also the gift of being supportive to people in need. When we work together for common goals we can accomplish so much. We had fun and much discussion before Thanksgiving regarding gratitude, positivity and empathy.

As always, all children (grades 5-8) here at East Northport Middle are invited to attend STARS-Tuesday through Friday 7:45-8:45 in room 111. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Heller or Mr. Pieron. Please understand that zero period IS A CLASS!!! and cannot be missed!!! 111 is always open for fun.

PET FOOD DRIVE



ENMS is having their annual Pet Food Drive in December. Starting on December 1st and collecting until December 18th we are looking for

- Unopened bags or canned pet food

- Unopened treats for cats or dogs

- New toys / bones

- Paper towels

- Laundry detergent

- blankets/beds

ENMS will be donating what we collect to The Little Shelter. We would love to help our shelter pets have a happy holiday.

Leave donations in the boxes in Mr. Braun's room (room 116) or by the counseling center/main office area



Notes from the Nurse



If your child is not feeling well-

Please check your child's temperature if they are not feeling well and KEEP THEM HOME. The CDC and the New York State Department of Health recommend that students and staff remain out of school for at least 24 hours after having a fever. Also note that students should be fever-free for 24hrs WITHOUT the use of fever-reducing medication such as Tylenol and Motrin. The teachers and staff here at ENMS are working together to remind the students to wash their hands and to cover coughs and sneezes. Please encourage your children to think about safety and wash their hands more frequently. Please report any diagnosed illnesses to me. Thank you for your cooperation in our attempt to keep our school a healthy, learning environment.

All 5th and 7th grade students: New York State Law requires all 5th and 7th graders and new entrants have a physical examination by a New York State licensed physician. The physical must be completed within one year of the start of the upcoming school year. The physical may be performed by your family physician or by the school physician. Please have the doctor complete the physical on [the new required NYS form](#). (click link to access). The physical must include height, weight, blood pressure, vision, hearing and scoliosis screening. If vision and hearing is not completed by your private MD, the school nurse will complete the screening.

- Students may not carry any medication on them that is not approved by me. Please do not send Tylenol, Motrin, inhalers or any other over the counter or prescription medication with your child. If your child needs medication during the school day, please contact me for the appropriate forms to be completed by your child's doctor. The forms are also available on the district website.

- Late winter sports for 7th and 8th graders - (Girls' basketball, Boys' Volleyball and Wrestling) will begin on Monday, January 13th. **Signups will be ONLINE through Family ID a few weeks prior to the start of the season.** Information will also be on the ENMS Homepage. If your child would like to participate in a late winter sport please make sure they have an updated physical on file with me.

A small reminder about injuries- when a student sustains an injury and is given a 5-minute pass or a pass for assistance with books from the doctor, *it is a privilege and should not be abused*. The pass is to allow the injured student to get to their next class safely without the crowds in the halls.

MEDICATION

****Please remember to have your child bring in a refillable water bottle daily so they can utilize the water filtration stations in the halls and stay hydrated throughout the school day*****

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS ARE ON FILE

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Have a wonderful, safe and healthy holiday season and a Happy New Year!!



Rita Enright R.N.

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December-January Dates to Remember

Tuesday, December 17th—Winter Concert I Grades 7 & 8—7:00pm

Monday, December 23rd-Wednesday, January 1st—Schools Closed

Wednesday, January 8th—Winter Concert II—7:00pm

Monday, January 13th—Winter II Athletics Begin

Tuesday, January 14th—PTSA Meeting—7:00pm

Thursday, January 16th—Winter Concert III—7:00pm

Monday, January 20th—Schools Closed

Friday, January 24th—End of 2nd Marking Period

Wednesday, January 29th—Schools Closed



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