

# April

## Principals' Pad

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade NYS ELA & Math Assessments

**ELA 3 Test Dates: April 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Math 3 Test Dates: May 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>**

Attendance is very important on these dates as there is a small window of time allowed for make-up tests. Please avoid scheduling any appointments during school hours over the course of these days. A good night's sleep and a good breakfast will provide the children a better chance of doing their best work. Thank you for support!

**Parent/Teacher Conferences-** Spring parent/teacher conferences are slated for April 18<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm and April 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-6:00pm. School will only be in session for a half day these days. Dismissal will be at 11:10 am. Please let us know if this causes a change in your child's transportation routine. Early calls with changes are greatly appreciated!

**Parents Going Out of Town-** If a parent or guardian is going out of town and you are leaving your child(ren) in the care of someone else, please let the school know so that we have emergency contact information for that person.

**Breakfast/Lunch-** Please note that **SSES** students have the ability to purchase "double lunch." If they do this, that also means they are paying for two lunches. If you are finding that lunch account money is getting low quickly, please check to see what your child has been purchasing. If you don't want your child to make certain purchases, it helps if you let our cafeteria staff know that.

**Health & Wellness Fair-** On March 15<sup>th</sup> PSES and SSES participated in the Health and Wellness Fair: A Community Celebration. Teachers and students displayed a variety of projects which demonstrated their knowledge of having healthy practices, as well as other talents. A huge thank you to all teachers and staff for your hard work and wonderful displays. Thank you to all who attended and participated in order to make this night successful.

## PTA

**Gertrude Hawk-** THANK YOU to all families who participated in our fundraiser. It was a huge success.

**Scholastic Book Fair-** We will hold a book fair on Parent/Teacher Conference Days, April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> at PSES and SSES.

Did you know that 4/25/18 is Administrative Assistants Day? Please make sure your child stops by and lets Mrs. Moyer, Mrs. Cary and Mrs. Skinner know how much he/she appreciates her before they leave school for break on 4/22/18.

**Our next PTA meeting is April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6pm @ SSES. Meetings are held in the Art/Music Room. Please join us and learn more about the PSES/SSES PTA and the great events and activities we support.**



Visit our Facebook page for more information too!

## Skippyjon Jones



PSES/SSES students attended the Skippyjon Jones: Snow What production, which was presented by Theatre Works USA.



Skippyjon Jones: Snow What is a brand new musical based on the book by Judy Schachner, Skippyjon Jones Snow What is a twist on the classic fairytale Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Thank you, PTA. A terrific time was had by all!

## FOR YOUR CALENDAR

### APRIL

April 3<sup>rd</sup> - PSES/SSES PTA Meeting @ 6:00pm (SSES Music/Art Rm.)  
April 10<sup>th</sup> - BOE Meeting @ 6:30pm (RSES Auditorium)  
April 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> - NYS 3-8 ELA Testing

April 18<sup>th</sup> - Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4-7pm  
April 18<sup>th</sup> - BOE Meeting @ 6:30pm (RSES Auditorium)  
April 19<sup>th</sup> - Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3-6pm

## PARP- People As Reading Partners

During the month of March, our students and staff at PSES/SSES embarked on a special project, an all-school book club called **One School, One Book**. Every student received a copy of the same book, **The World According to Humphrey**, and was asked to read it together at home each day. Students had many opportunities over the course of the month of March to share their thoughts of the book, answer trivia questions and participate in a Humphrey themed celebration day.



Thank you to all the staff and volunteers who helped make the One Book, One School program a great success this year!

## Health Room Update

### HEALTHY HINTS

Brought to you by your School Nurses, Mrs. Ryan, PSES & Mrs. Buda, SSES

#### Travel Safety

The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) advises parents to keep their toddlers in rear-facing car seats until age 2, or until they reach the maximum height and weight for their seat.

Children should transition from a rear-facing seat to a forward-facing seat with a harness, until they reach the maximum weight or height for that seat. Then a booster will make sure the vehicle's lap-and-shoulder belt fit properly. The shoulder belt should lie across the middle of the chest and shoulder, not near the neck or face. The lap belt should fit low and snug on the hips and upper thighs, not across the belly.

Most children will need a booster seat until they have reached 4 feet 9 inches tall and are between 8 and 12 years old. Children should ride in the rear of the vehicle until they are 13 years old. The simple task of properly buckling up your child in the back seat reduces the risk of being killed in a crash.

While riding in a school bus, Pre-K students must ride in the school provided safety seats until the age of 4. For students 4 years old and older, the school buses provide lap-type seat belts for all to use. We encourage their use and hope that you too will encourage your child to use them!

### Other thoughts to share...

It was nice seeing our students and families at the Health and Wellness Fair. Thank you for attending this great community event.

We are happy to answer any questions you may have about immunizations or physicals for next year. We are only a phone call away!

## Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports

Voice Level Expectations:

0= Silent

1= whisper/partner voice

2=speaking voice

3=outside recess voice

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH:

**"If you can dream it, you can do it."**

-Walt Disney

## Save the Date

### May 1<sup>st</sup>

PSES/SSES PTA Meeting,  
6pm @ SSES in the  
Art/Music Rm.

### May 1<sup>st</sup> -2<sup>nd</sup>

NYS 3-8 Math Testing

### May 3<sup>rd</sup>

District Art Show, 5:00-7:00  
pm, CHS

### May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

Kindergarten Screening

### May 8<sup>th</sup>

District Budget Hearing and  
BOE Meeting, 6:30 pm, Aud.

### May 15<sup>th</sup>

Half Day, Dismissal @11:10  
am, Budget Vote 12:00-  
9:00pm

### May 28<sup>th</sup>

Memorial Day, No School