79TH STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, 551-79TH STREET, NIAGARA FALLS, NY 14304

THE STARLIGHT EXPRESS **MARCH 2017**



HOME OF THE STARS!



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STAR IDOL



April 7th will be our 7th annual Star Idol. Students in grades 2-6 are eligible to perform. They must be willing to sing in front of their peers. We **do not** allow parents at this event- it is strictly for the students. Unfortunately, there is not enough room to accommodate everyone in the

auditorium. Please respect this rule, so the show can continue on. It has always been a huge success. It is a fun day to celebrate before we go off for Spring Break. Forms are in the office for students in grades 2-6 interested in participating. Please see Mrs. Granto (room 108) with any questions.



COGAT TESTING

All students in grades 1 and 6, along with recommended students in grades 2-5, will be given the test during the regular school day on Monday, March 13th & Thursday, March 16th.



OUR SCHOOL **RAISED \$117.25** ON FEBRUARY 14TH FOR "WEAR PINK AND/OR RED DAY"



79THSTREET SCHOOL'S ANN(JAL BASKET **AUCTIONISON**

MARCH 24th



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER IN MARCH

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 2</u> - Silly Hat Day (in honor of Dr. Seuss's Birthday)

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 9</u> - Spring Picture Day.

Friday, March 17 - No School

Tuesday, March 21- Niagara Chocolate orders delivered. 3pm pick up.

Tuesday, March 21 - PEG Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Cafeteria

Friday, March 24 - Annual Basket Auction

Friday, March 31 - Fancy Dress-Up Day

CHARACTER COUNTS—MARCH TRAIT IS PERSEVERANCE



THE 79TH STREET SCHOOL COMMUNITY WILL PROVIDE "LEARNING FOR ALL, WHATEVER IT TAKES." TO EN-SURE THAT ALL **OUR STUDENTS** MEET OR EXCEED LOCAL AND STATE STANDARDS, TO PREPARE EVERY STUDENT FOR THE NEXT LEVEL OF LEARNING IN A POS-ITIVE, ENJOYABLE LEARNING ENVI-RONMENT

Each month our teachers and staff are able to submit names of students they feel represent the school district's monthly character trait. The trait for February was INTEGRITY. These students do the right thing, even when nobody is watching.

Here are the students who were recognized for **INTEGRITY** in the month of February:

Mr. Aulet's class – Caleb Kotovich, Lilith Vaughan

Mrs. Chille's class –William Peterson, Malaya Rubin

Mrs. Marazzo's class – Emerson Naus, Elizabeth Kieley

Mrs. Dominguez's class — Gianna Macri, Americle Maddox, Gia

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Mrs. Granto's class – Ay'Veir Mallory, Dustin Eady

Mrs. Williamson's class – Elizabeth McCarthy, Virgil Barber, Luciano Abusalah

Mrs. Deuro-Naughton's class – Deasia Johnson

Mrs. LaRock's class – Baylee Sims, Samantha Masker

Mrs. Yost's class – Felicity Lanthier, Malia Sandstrom

Mrs. Lowry's class – Emily Weber, Miley Farnham

Mrs. Pedulla's class – Aiden Simpson

Mr. St. Onge's class – Abby Malaney, Charles Congi, Peyton Chaffee

Mrs. Presutti's class – Tyler Swartz, Laura Aube

Mrs. Stromberg's class – Jada Chmiel, Ke'ire Walker

Mrs. Garabedian's class – Anderson Davis, Jordan Andrzejczyk

Mrs. Graff's class – Vincenzo Falsetti, Aubrey Pendleton

Mrs. Orfano's class – Emilia Marra, Thomas Miles

Mr. Aversa's class – Marc D'Amico, Jesse Hardy, Josephine Swift

PARENT EDUCATION GROUP

Niagara Candy Chocolate Sale: All Profits go directly to your child's classroom. Anticipated delivery and pick-up date is Tuesday, March 21st. Annual Basket Auction: The Basket Auction is on Friday, March 24th at 4:00 p.m. Numbers will be called at 7:00 p.m.



Box Tops for Education: Keep up the good work! Please remind all of your family members, friends and co-workers to save their Box Tops.





SCHOOL SPIRIT DAYS

March 2nd
Silly Hat Day (in honor of Dr. Suess Birthday)

March 31st
Fancy Dress Up Day

April 7th
Dress Like A Rock Star Day

May 12th
Favorite Superhero Day

May 26th
Favorite Character Day

June 16th
Wear Red, White & Blue

The money will be donated in Jessica Stone's name to Roswell Hospital.





ALL COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVAL

Congratulations to:

Julia Kepp,
Jessie Hardy, &
Aurora Printup
who participated in
the "All County Music Festival" on February 10th & 11th.

They performed in a choir of 125 students from around the county! It is an honor to be selected and they represented 79th Street Elementary School beautifully. Nice job, we are proud!





LETS GO TO SCHOOL TONIGHT

Attending evening events at school is a good way for you and your child to get more involved. Plus, your child will be happy to show you the place where he/she spends his/her day. Check the school calendar for talent

shows, musicals, and plays. Try to go whether or not your youngster is performing. Your child will get to see his/her friends on stage and perhaps be inspired to join next year. Keep an eye out for parent education

nights. Go to a curriculum event. A literacy or math night, science fair, or cultural celebration lets your child share what he/she is studying in school—and the two of you can learn something new together



HOMEWORK SUCCESS

You've probably noticed that your child has a little more homework each year. Help your child get a handle on this year's workload with a daily plan.

<u>Discuss</u>—Begin each afternoon or evening by asking what homework he/she has. You can set a positive tone with comments like "I loved writing in my journal when I was your age."

Plan—Ask your youngster what order they will do the work in. You might suggest that he/she finish the hardest subject or longest assignment as soon as he/she gets home and save easier ones for after dinner.

Review—Look over the finished work together. You might compliment your child on something he/she did particularly well.



HEALTH OFFICE

Attention Parents:

New immunization REQUIRE-MENT for the school year 2017 -18 for students entering 7th and 12th grade must have the meningococcal vaccine. Please bring in new immunization recorded with the documented date the vaccine was administered to the school nurse, so your child will have a successful start to the school year.

About the Vaccine:

- It's not a new vaccine. It's been recommended for a decade.
- Most parents already choose to vaccinate their

children.

3. What's new is that the vaccine will be required for school entry as of September 1, 2017.

About Meningococcal Disease:

- It causes bacterial meningitis and other serious diseases.
- 2. Teens and young adults are at greater risk.
- 3. It comes on quickly and without warning.
- 4. Its symptoms are similar to the flu.

Every case of this disease can result in death or longterm disability.

Check with your doctor. Even kids who have had a shot before may need a booster to start school.



Please do NOT send your child to school with cough drops. They are not permitted per district policy.



ANNUAL BASKET AUCTION

Our annual Basket Auction will be on <u>Friday</u>, <u>March 24</u> and we need your help. We are hoping each family will be able to donate a basket or gift card for the auction. The money raised at this event helps provide field trips for our children and Fun Day at the end of the year.

<u>Volunteers are needed</u> to work at the auction (set-up refreshments, ticket sales, etc.)

Please attend our next PEG meeting on <u>Tuesday, March 21</u>. If you would like to sign-up, call Traci 579-3447 or Jessica 946-0930. We will gladly accept your help!

We will be having a "Cake Walk" again this year. <u>If you are able</u> to donate a cake, please bring it to the main office on Thursday, March 23 or the morning of March 24.

We look forward to seeing you!