



Highland Elementary School • Mrs. Meghan Sheraw, Principal

The Stallion*EXPRESS*

Fall 2017



Greetings Highland Families,

Thank you all for such a warm welcome to Highland and a wonderful start to the school year. I am extremely pleased with how everything has been going and hope that your children are coming home happy and excited to be a part of our Highland Community.

This year, we are focusing on building relationships with students, parents, and each other. Across the District, staff members are working together to identify ways that we can have a meaningful impact on students to increase not only their achievement here at school but their overall happiness and prepare them for a successful future.

Highland has joined forces with New Cumberland Middle School and Cedar Cliff High School and will be offering a viewing of the award-winning film **RESILIENCE: THE BIOLOGY OF STRESS & THE SCIENCE OF HOPE** in Cedar Cliff's auditorium on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 beginning at 6:00. Our hope is to bring attention to the toxic stresses that today's children are experiencing and what we as a community can do to help improve the health and futures of these children. Please consider joining us for this presentation as we look forward to generating conversations and partnerships that will support our at-risk populations of students.

Please feel free to contact your child's teacher or the school office if you have questions or would like to know more about how you can help!

As always, thanks for your support and dedication!

Mrs. Meghan Sheraw



Important Dates



Thursday, October 19, 2017	Highland Walk-A-Thon
Friday, October 20, 2017	Last day to wear shorts!
Thursday, October 25, 2017	Fall Fest Parade – 2:30 p.m. Weather Permitting
Thursday, October 26, 2017	1 st marking period ends
Friday, October 27, 2017	NO SCHOOL
Monday, November 6, 2017	Picture Retake Day
Monday, November 6, 2017	PTO MEETING @ 7:00 PM in the Highland Library
Friday, November 10, 2017	Report cards issued
Friday, November 10, 2017	EARLY DISMISSAL
Friday, November 17, 2017	Kindergarten – Parent Conferences
Monday, November 20, 2017 – Monday, November 27, 2017	NO SCHOOL
Monday, December 4, 2017	PTO MEETING @ 7:00 PM in the Highland Library
Wednesday, December 13, 2017	Highland Winter Concert 9:00 – 10:30 AM
Friday, December 22, 2017	EARLY DISMISSAL
Monday, December 25, 2017 – Monday, January 1, 2018	NO SCHOOL

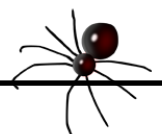


End of Day pick up procedure is as follows:

Park your car in an empty parking space or on the curb closest to the parking area. Do not park on the red curb or double park. As per the yellow "Mode of Transportation/End of Day Dismissal Form" parents signed and returned to the office; the following is stated at the bottom of that page:

"It is my understanding that I will contact the school office if one of the above or other person will be picking up my child at the end of the school day. I understand that the office will not release my child to someone other than the parent without my permission."

The persons you listed are only in case of emergency. If you have additional questions regarding this, contact the school office.





An enormous THANK YOU to all the Highland Families, Friends, Teachers, and Staff who came out for the Annual Back to School Picnic on Friday September 15th!!!!!! It was wonderful to see everyone enjoying themselves, relaxing, and playing together. We have an AMAZING school community!!!

This year was our BEST ATTENDED picnic yet!

This event could not have been a success without the support of Mrs. Sheraw, Marty Riddell, the Back to School Picnic Committee (Sasha Shenck, Jen Kocher, Michelle Tarquino, Shelley Fountain, Amy Groff, Karen Laird, Jill Weisheit, Felicia Nevius, Susan Sengoz, Jessica Barnes, and Emily Sentman) the custodial staff, Cedar Cliff High School basketball players coached by Scott Weyant, Girl Scout Troop 713 led by Susan Goodwin, Marilee Snyder, and Jennifer Cameron, our fantastic grill masters DJ Sentman and Justin Ramsey , and the various community businesses who sponsored our event!

Listed below are our generous sponsors. Please consider supporting these businesses as they continue to support our highland Students: Giant Foods, Weis Markets, DJ Matt Claeys, Tiger Rock Martial Arts, Glenn Miller Beer and Soda, Karns, Sweet Frog (Carlisle Road), Wegmans, McDonalds, and Wendy's



HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 6, 2017

9:00 A.M.



Any student needing his /her picture retaken, please return your original picture package to your classroom teacher on Retake Day.

If your child was absent on picture day, forgot his/her money, or is new to Highland and you would like to purchase pictures on retake day, please contact the school office at [717-901-9860](tel:717-901-9860) if you need a form. If your pictures were not satisfactory, please return your entire packet for retakes as well.

Any student who did not have his/her picture taken on September 25th will have their picture taken on November 6th for their school record. Any PM kindergarten student needing retakes, parents will need to bring to Highland no later than 9:00 a.m.





Roller Skating Party at Fountainblu Skating Arena

Sponsored By:

HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY PTO

Date & Time: NOVEMBER 2ND 6:00PM-8:00PM

Admission: \$1.00 PER PERSON (WHETHER YOU ARE SKATING OR NOT)

(Your Admission to Party Sponsor is Cash only. No credit or debit)

Roller Skate Rental \$2.50 Rollerblade Rental \$3 Skate Mates: \$4

Other Info: AN ADULT MUST ACCOMPANY ALL CHILDREN.



521 Locust Road New Cumberland, PA 17070

Directions from I-83 heading South, Exit 36 Fishing Creek Road make left, left on Locust Road.

938-3777

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Shorts can no longer be worn after
October 20, 2017.

BOX TOPS NEEDED!

Box Tops are found on all sorts of products and each one is worth 10 cents for our school. It may not seem like much but it adds up quickly with your help! What an easy way to donate to our school and help our students! Before you throw away that cereal box, soup can, side dish, snack packaging, tissue box, etc. please take a look at it. Have your son or daughter try to spot the box tops and cut them out for you. Ask family members and neighbors to collect them for you. Every one helps!





WEST SHORE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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2017-2018

Title I Home / School Compact

Working Together . . . Educating our Children

A compact is an agreement that invites those involved to set common goals, provide direction, and enrich the quality of life. This compact is designed to merge our resources to create one learning family. Instruction in quality schools is central to quality education, but quality education cannot be fully realized without the involvement of the family. Through this home and school partnership, students will receive reading opportunities to achieve success. The following is our pledge to each other, and, most importantly, our children:

School will recognize the importance of:

- providing a safe, nurturing, educational climate.
- making students the center of the educational process.
- improving student attitude toward school with an emphasis on self-responsibility.
- encouraging innovation and make changes as guided by sound research.
- communicating and problem solving with parents concerning the progress of their children.
- providing students with the necessary tools to successfully communicate in all areas of learning.
- honoring requests by parents for information regarding teachers' qualifications, certification, or degree.

Parents/Guardians will recognize the importance of:

- providing an environment conducive for study.
- limiting television viewing and encourage reading activities.
- maintaining proper nutritional requirements for success in school.
- communicating and problem solve with their children's teachers.
- providing all types of reading opportunities and materials.
- stressing a positive attitude toward learning, including the building of a strong foundation of early learning skills.

Students will recognize the importance of:

- coming to school prepared to learn.
 - always giving their best.
 - reading daily for pleasure.
 - keeping a positive attitude and communicate a need for help or assistance.
 - following classroom and school rules in order to help promote a safe learning environment.
 - turning off electronic devices at a designated time.
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IS THERE A LOUSE IN **YOUR** HOUSE?!

Parents, please check your children's hair weekly for evidence of lice infestation. Periodically, your child may be examined by the school nurse for evidence of an infestation of head lice. Lice infestation is not associated with any serious medical complications or conditions. Head lice are easily treated but the steps are time consuming. Your school nurse will acquaint you with the nature of this infestation and inform you of how to handle the problem should your child acquire head lice.

How You Get It

Head lice are usually transmitted through close personal contact with another infested individual; sharing combs, brushes, and other grooming aids; sharing hats, caps, wigs, or coats; or co-mingling of these items at the homes of friends, school, church, or other public places. Most parents have the impression that only persons who are unclean become infested with head lice. This is not true. Frequent bathing will neither prevent head lice nor eliminate an infestation once it has become established.

You and your child can PREVENT head lice by reminding children not to share hair accessories or grooming aids. Avoid the co-mingling of hats, coats and scarves. Check your child's hair weekly for nits and lice. If in doubt of any suspicious findings, consult your school nurse.

What To Look For

One of the most obvious signs of head lice infestation is severe, persistent itching of the scalp. You may also notice tiny teardrop shaped specks close to your child's scalp. These specks that do not move when flicked are likely head louse eggs.

Head lice are elongated insects about 1/8 inch long, and are grayish-white with dark margins. Lice do not have wings and, therefore, cannot fly. They do not jump from head to head. They do, however, move very quickly. This makes them difficult to find in a child's hair.

Since crawling forms are so difficult to find, head louse infestation is frequently diagnosed by finding nits. A nit is a louse's egg. Nits are teardrop-shaped, 1/16 inch in size, and vary from yellowish-brown to white. Head lice attach eggs to a hair shaft with a waterproof, cement-like substance. Thus, nits or eggs cannot be washed out or brushed out of the hair like dandruff or other debris that may look like nits to the naked eye. Clusters of nits may be found in any section of hair; but in light infestations, a careful examination of the entire scalp may be necessary to detect them.

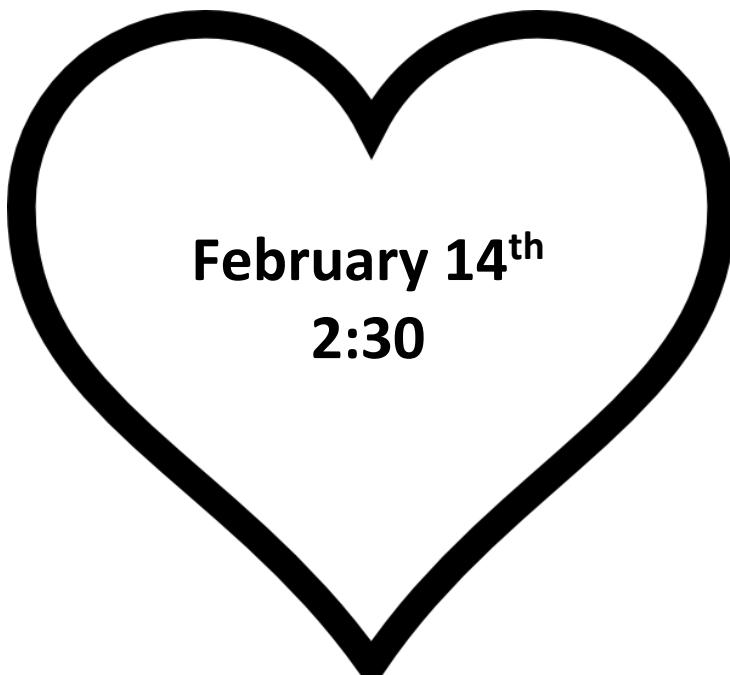
Notification of Others

The school nurse and the parents of your child's closest friends and relatives should be notified that their children could be infested. This is particularly important if the children have slept together or participated in activities involving frequent body contact such as wrestling, ballet classes, football, etc.

Remember to do weekly head checks on your child to look for those pesky lice!

Class Party Information

*You must complete the volunteer requirements to be able to volunteer at a classroom party.





JOIN US FOR OUR "Community Night" FUNDRAISER

Come and enjoy an evening out with family and friends on **Tuesday, November 7, 2017**, at **WEST SHORE ISAAC'S** in Lemoyne. By participating in our fundraiser, you will be helping support Highland Elementary PTO! The support allows the PTO to hold fun events for students and family of Highland Elementary.

We are grateful for your support. Isaac's will donate 25% of your food and beverage purchase to Highland Elementary PTO.

WHERE: WEST SHORE/LEMOYNE ISAAC'S
West Shore Plaza – Valid at this location only
1200 West Market Street, Lemoyne
Call 731-9545 for takeout orders

WHEN: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 5:00-9:00 PM

HOW: Bring this flyer with you or show it on your phone, complete the information and give to your server.

**This form can be used for Dine-In, Takeout &
Online Orders at www.isaacsdeli.com!
Use coupon code FUND for online fundraiser orders.**

Please complete this information for your server.

Name: _____

Of People in Party: _____ **Cost of Meal (excluding tax):** _____

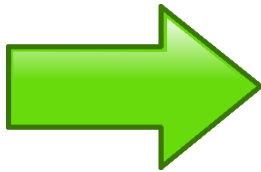
In order to maximize the amount of donation for the organization, we ask our Loyalty members to kindly refrain from using their number during fundraisers. Meal Deals, Coupons, Discounts, and Loyalty Perks are not valid during Fundraisers.

Want to help us earn even **MORE**? Add an Isaac's Gift Card to your check and **15%** of the gift card sale will be added to the fundraiser! Gift card must be used on future visit.

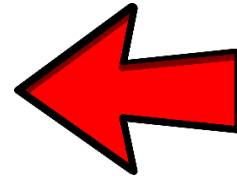
It is that time of the year to begin thinking about spreading holiday cheer!



Our Highland students will have the opportunity to learn the love of giving by attending our annual Holiday Shop!!!



NEW THIS YEAR!!!!



The Holiday Shop will be an after school **ONE NIGHT ONLY event!** We are planning to make this a big fun holiday event for the whole family, so please mark your calendars.

Friday December 8

Again, **ONE NIGHT ONLY**. The Holiday Shop will **NOT** be held during school hours this year.

Stay tuned for more details to come soon!



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