

COPPER HILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March 2019

Character Trait: Honesty/Fairness

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Dear Parents,

Our Copper Hill families were a true testament to the character traits we honor during February: caring and compassion. We had many service learning projects underway and the generosity of our school community was overwhelming! Through the Super Bowl Challenge for the Food Pantry, our students demonstrated kindness, good sportsmanship and respect, collecting 377 items for local families in need. We also collected new socks, new sheets, new blankets, and personal products for The Family Success Center in Flemington. Thank you for making a difference in our community!

The District guidance counselors celebrated The Great Kindness Challenge at the end of January to promote acts of kindness and to make a difference in the lives of others. A District-wide spirit week was held, with a different theme each day - from bright day to team day - for all to participate and have fun. A special collection was also held for "A Smile on a Child's Face" (ASCF), and we had tables full of items to fill smile bags for children fighting cancer. Thank you for your incredible generosity!

With the support of our PTO, we welcomed a new assembly for our students - "Beyond the Beat" performed by Exit 9. Our students were mesmerized by the talent of the musicians who performed for us and learned about various percussion instruments and drums around the world! Our second and fourth graders also learned about "Hot and Cold" from the Franklin Institute. Students learned how matter is impacted by temperature - solid, liquid and gas can be changed with a few degrees! Thank you, PTO!

Our PTO also partnered with Paint Party Farm for our first "Family Paint Night" to benefit the Barley Sheaf and Robert Hunter libraries. Families gathered around canvases and enjoyed their time creating artwork together - check out our pictures on Twitter @CopperHillIES! Thanks to our PTO for organizing such a nice family event!

Please mark your calendars for upcoming PTO events and look for more information via Virtual Backpack or PTO Eblast.

March 11 - Evening Open PTO Meeting at Copper Hill	April 5 - PICTO Night at Copper Hill
March 22 - Grades K-2 Activity Night at Giggleberry Fair	April 12 - Grades 3-4 Activity Night at Branchburg Sports Complex

Sincerely,

Vanessa Ahmed
Principal

Jesse Lockett
Vice Principal

IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDER

Please use the **CROSSWALK** when approaching the building to ensure student safety, as well as your own. Thank you for your cooperation!

A NOTE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Any child that cannot take gym due to an injury or illness must have a note from the parent or doctor. The child will be unable to participate in recess activities during that time. Contact the nurse with any questions.

PARENT CLASS REQUEST 2019-2020

Creation of class lists is an important responsibility that classroom teachers, content specialists, guidance and administrators take very seriously. A great deal of time and effort goes into creating classes, which are well balanced academically and socially. Many factors are considered in making placement decisions, including desirable social combinations of students, undesirable social combinations of students, numbers of students requiring academic support or enrichment and overall number balance.

Placement decisions are not made casually. Because it is not as simple as placing a student with a teacher without considering all of the dynamics of each class and the individual and collective needs of the students, the Flemington Raritan School District does not honor parental requests for specific teachers.

Parents may write a letter to the principal stating specific needs that their child has which may be considered when placing the student. The letter should state facts to consider and not request a teacher.

LETTERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 1, 2019

A MESSAGE FROM THE PE DEPARTMENT

All children must have socks to participate in gymnastics during gym class. This is a health safety concern. Please help your child to remember to wear socks or stick an extra pair in their backpack!

LOST AND FOUND

We have an abundance of lost and found items. Please have your child check the lost and found located outside the front office. Any leftover items will be donated to the clothing drive after Spring Break.

MOVING

Please inform the office if you are moving out of the Copper Hill attendance area at the end of the current school year.

UPCOMING COPPER HILL EVENTS

March 4-8	Safety Town
March 6	Shannon Daly Memorial Fund Basketball Event - 7:00 pm HCRHS
March 11	Evening Open PTO Meeting
March 11	Gymnastics begin
March 11	Early Dismissal Day
March 12	Mrs. Gerlach/Mrs. Servetick - Revision Fair
March 22	Giggleberry Fair 5:00 pm
March 22	Crazy Hair Day

