

# HARDYSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Weekend Update March 3, 2024

## REMINDER: ES Families!

**Monday, March 11 will be an early dismissal day** for elementary students only; this is a make up day for a day closed in September. School will dismiss at 1:15 PM.

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## Upcoming Events:

3/5 MS Progress reports posted

3/11 **ES Early Dismissal Day** (Teacher In Service ) \*\*\* **MS Closed** (Teacher In Service)

3/14 Make up pictures - 8th Grade Gown/Spring pictures

3/19 BOE Meeting, 7 PM, MS Media Center

**3/29 Good Friday - School Closed**

**4/1 - 4/5 Spring Recess - School Closed**

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**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – LOVE OF READING WEEK!**



## Love of Reading Week

March 4<sup>th</sup> – March 8<sup>th</sup>



**Monday, March 4:** Get ready for some fun as we have "Thing One Thing Two" Dress like a twin!

**Tuesday, March 5:** "Read with a Buddy" day is here! Bring your favorite stuffed animal to school as a reading buddy.

**Wednesday, March 6:** It's "Wacky Wednesday"! Unleash your creativity by wearing mixed-up clothes. Mismatched socks, inside-out shirts, and backward hats all are encouraged. Don't be afraid to think outside the box.

**Thursday, March 7:** Get ready for a burst of color! Each grade from pre-K to grade four will represent a different color to celebrate the joy of reading.

- Pre-K: Red
- Kindergarten: Blue
- 1st Grade: Yellow
- 2nd Grade: Green
- 3rd Grade: Orange
- 4th Grade: Purple

**Friday, March 8:** "Books Bring Out Your Wild Side" day! Wear animal prints or clothing featuring your favorite animal.

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## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – CHEF DAY!

*Stop in and say Hello!*

March 8, 2024



Maschio's Corporate Chef will be visiting  
**YOUR** cafeteria for the day!  
Spread the word and join us for lunch!



**QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?**

Please call us at (971) 598-0005 to speak to one of Maschio's registered dietitians.

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Healthy meals grow

*healthy kids!*

Ogdensburg School presents...

## "The Impact of Screen Time & Social Media: Tips for Keeping Your Kids Happy & Safe"

All parents must be aware of the potentially negative impact social media and Big Tech can have on the developing minds of our children. The changes we must make in our home are simple yet profoundly effective.

Parents will walk away with practical strategies for making those crucial changes in their homes right away.

**Speaker: Lauren Muriello, MA LPC**  
Founder, Licensed Psychotherapist,  
Speaker  
Well Being Therapy Center

**Date: Tuesday, March 5th**  
**Time: 7pm**  
**Place: Ogdensburg School**

### Topics Covered:

- The impact of social media on children, teens and beyond
- The social media lifestyle - tech happy, or tech terrible?
- The latest research and trends - get in the know
- What's the best age for Smartphones? Social Media?
- To Monitor or Not to Monitor, That is the Question
- How to Teach Critical Thinking Skills
- Take Control, or Lose Control
- Your Role as Parent - How to Really Get Through
- Creating a Healthy Balance for Your Child

## Tutoring Sign-Up

Tutoring is assistance with a particular skill or topic within a subject area. It could be one on one assistance or in a small group of no more than four. Tutoring is available at both the ES and MS.

Please use this Google Form to sign-up for Tutoring. This Google Form serves as your student's permission slip to participate. Transportation must be provided by a parent/guardian.

Tutoring is flexible according to sign ups, and may meet before or after school. The tutor will reach out to you to confirm dates and times.

The AAA Team (After School Academic Assistance) will meet to add new students to our current schedules and make adjustments as needed.

\*The new students will begin the week of 3/18.

Current students do NOT need to fill out the form again. They will continue AAA on the



It's our final week of Kids Heart Challenge! We are having a blast learning how to keep our hearts and minds healthy and happy. I'm so proud of our students and families. Together, our efforts will help save lives!

There's still time to help us reach our goal of 100% of families completing Finn's Mission and learning the lifesaving skill of Hands-Only CPR.

Here's how you can help:

- **Register:**  
[https://www2.heart.org/site/TR?fr\\_id=9739&pg=company&company\\_id=434168](https://www2.heart.org/site/TR?fr_id=9739&pg=company&company_id=434168) or download the free "AHA Schools" app.
- **Complete Finn's Mission:** Watch the 2-minute Hands-Only CPR video featuring cardiac arrest survivor, Damar Hamlin, and watch a music video on the warning signs of a stroke (F.A.S.T.).
- **Share with Family & Friends:** Send messages via social media, text messages and/or email.

Help our class win the classroom challenge by registering and completing Finn's Mission. We can create a community of lifesavers!

## Leaderboard

Top class for dollars raised		Top class for registered students		Top grade for dollars raised		Top grade for registered students	
#1	Mrs. Margarum 2nd \$2,421 Amount Raised	#1	Miss Veliz 1st 12 # Online Students	#1	2nd \$6,722 Amount Raised	#1	2nd 31 # Students
#2	Mr. Ryan 2nd \$1,898 Amount Raised	#2	Mrs. Reder 4th 11 # Online Students	#2	1st \$2,781 Amount Raised	#2	4th 27 # Students
#3	Mrs. Healy 3rd \$1,748 Amount Raised	#3	Ms. Guarino 4th 10 # Online Students	#3	3rd \$2,681 Amount Raised	#3	Kindergarten 24 # Students
#4	Miss Meyer 2nd \$1,743 Amount Raised	#4	Mrs. Margarum 2nd 10 # Online Students	#4	4th \$2,622 Amount Raised	#4	3rd 24 # Students
#5	Miss Veliz 1st \$1,192 Amount Raised	#5	Mrs. Hall 3rd 9 # Online Students	#5	Kindergarten \$1,302 Amount Raised	#5	1st 23 # Students





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## Health News Letter

March is National Nutrition Month. Please see the attached newsletter from Mrs. Stoffels for some tips on healthy eating.

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## Preschool Savings!

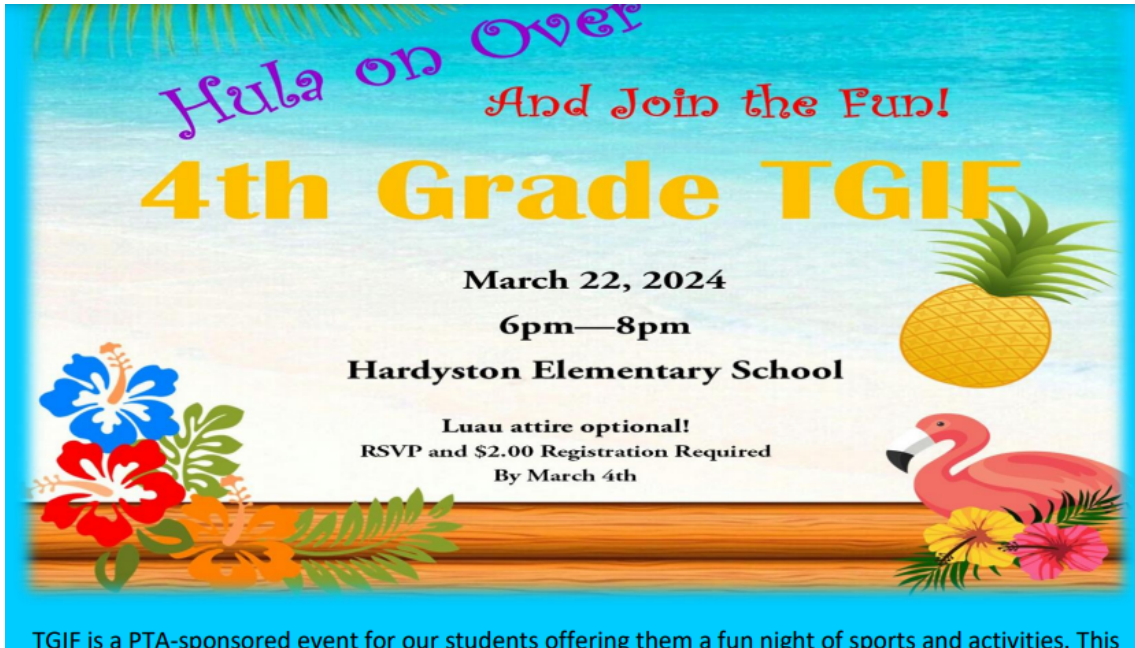
### Did you know?

- A price comparison was done with private local preschools to see how much money Hardyston parents are saving with **our free, full-day preschool** program. Based on the lowest priced local program, parents pay \$1,080 per month for a full-day program.
- Next school year we will have 75 students enrolled in preschool. Our program saves Hardyston residents **\$81,000 per month**, which translates to \$810,000 for the 10-month school year!

Spread the word that our preschool is expanding in September and **registration is OPEN!**

## Kindergarten and Preschool Registration

Please click for important information relating to preschool and kindergarten registration.



TGIF is a PTA-sponsored event for our students offering them a fun night of sports and activities. This being our 4<sup>th</sup> graders' last TGIF with us, we have decided to give it a Luau theme and will have games, crafts, snacks, and activities added to our normal sports activities. Luau attire optional.

**PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** to attend, this helps to ensure there are enough chaperones and supplies for a successful event. There will be a \$2.00 admission fee which will cover all food and drinks for the evening, payment sent in with registration.

Parents are needed as chaperones to assist at our stations for the evening. If you are interested, please check "YES" on the registration form. Dress comfortably; it will be a fun night for the adults, too!

Doors open at 6 pm, please come inside with your child so that you can sign them in. TGIF ends at 8 pm; you must come inside to sign out your child. If you are picking up a child other than your own, you must provide a note permitting you to do so. We look forward to seeing you and your children at TGIF.

If you have any questions regarding the TGIF, please email Connie Meyer at [connmeyer@ptd.net](mailto:connmeyer@ptd.net).

## Cafeteria Food Menu

This link brings you to the ES and MS lunch menus.

\*\*There were some changes made to February's menu, please click the link\*\*

## REVISED 2023 - 2024 School Year Calendar

There is a revision to the calendar for the elementary school; a makeup day has been added as an early dismissal day on Monday, March 11. This is for ELEMENTARY STUDENTS ONLY!

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## 2024 - 2025 School Year Calendar

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Hey Middle School Hornets - Check this out! 😊 (click here)

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Don't forget to click  
on the PTA tab for  
events, fundraisers,  
membership &  
volunteer  
opportunities.



## PTA NEWS

CLICK THE BUTTON TO READ WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE PTA!

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## Walkkill Valley Little League Baseball

☺☐ 2024 Spring Season ☺☐

**Registration is Now Open**  
<http://clubs.bluesombrero.com/walkkillvalleyll>

T-Ball Division: Ages 4-6 years old  
Coach Pitch Division: Ages 6-8 years old  
Minors Division: Ages 9-10 years old  
Majors Division: Ages 11-12 years old  
Juniors Division (60/90): Ages 13-14 years old  
\*\*Division based on date of birth \*\* Please contact us if your not sure\*\*

Registration is Open Now

**CLOSES March 3, 2024**

No exceptions

Registration costs \$140 for the first child  
and a discount of \$20 per additional child

**Coaches are always needed so please sign up and  
help the kids have a great experience on the ball field.**

Any questions or concerns please reach out to the league:  
[wvllbb@gmail.com](mailto:wvllbb@gmail.com)

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Walkkill Valley Little League](#)

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**Sussex County Rail-Club Meetings**

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**YMCA is HIRING!**

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**Join the YMCA**



FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS

# GREATEST EASTER EGG HUNT

MARCH 24 | 11 AM - 1 PM  
REGISTER ONLINE FOR YOUR HUNT TIME:

11, 11:30, 12 OR 12:30!  
AGES 5+: \$5; UNDER 4: FREE



Bring your family to camp for a fun round of egg hunting, and after your search is over, try archery, ax throwing, and s'mores! This is a "bring-your-own-basket" event. All hunts will be multi-age hunts spread out over a large field.

FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS  
1035 FAIRVIEW LAKE ROAD | NEWTON, NJ 07860



PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE:  
[FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/REGISTERNOW](http://FAIRVIEWLAKEYMCA.ORG/REGISTERNOW)  
THIS IS NOT A SCHOOL-SPONSORED EVENT OR PROGRAM



1035 FAIRVIEW LAKE RD  
NEWTON, NJ 07860

June 23 - August 24

ENTERING GRADES 2-11

## FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS



ONE, TWO, THREE OR MORE WEEK SLEEPAWAY PROGRAMS!

Open Houses are a great way for you and your child to get to know camp a bit better, ask questions in person, and feel more comfortable about camp! While at an Open House, you'll be take a tour of our beautiful facilities and meet our directors and staff.



February 18, 2-4 pm  
March 24, 2-4 pm  
April 7, 2-4 pm  
April 28, 2-4 pm



Kindly RSVP: [www.fairviewlakeymca.org/openhouse](http://www.fairviewlakeymca.org/openhouse)

This is not a school sponsored program or event.



On the campus of Blair Academy  
2 Park Street, Blairstown, NJ

June 24 - August 9

Entering Grades 4-10

# LAKE IN THE WOODS

## 5-DAY A WEEK SLEEPAWAY CAMP



**MONDAY - FRIDAY AND HOME ON THE WEEKEND!**

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Entering Grades K-8

# LAKE IN THE WOODS

## DAY CAMP



**DAY CAMP AT BLAIR ACADEMY**

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## 2023-2024 Student/Parent Calendar and Handbook

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### HTPS Contacts

[Mental Health Resource](#)

Email: [admin@htps.org](mailto:admin@htps.org)

Website: [www.htps.org](http://www.htps.org)

Location: [183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ, USA](#)

Phone: [973-823-7000](tel:973-823-7000)



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