



# CASEY PARK UPDATE

**Sept/Oct 2017**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

We are off to a fantastic start at Casey Park Elementary School. The students and staff have spent the last month getting to know one another and their classrooms while establishing daily routines. As I visit classrooms, I am seeing students who have settled in and are demonstrating a true excitement for learning through their actions and work.

Throughout the month we have had a variety of activities. First of all, thank you to all who were able to attend our Open House. The students and teachers were very excited to share all of their hard work. Also, a special thank you to the Kindergarten families who attended Kindergarten Orientation earlier this month.

Students have completed their benchmark assessments for DIBELS and STAR, which will assist our teachers in supporting students during instruction. We have also had several classes who have gone on field trips. These trips have proved to be wonderful learning experiences for our students. Syracuse Stage performed *Metamorphan* earlier this month, which was a very special treat for all of us.

We are looking forward to a slightly cooler October and many more exciting learning opportunities. Thank you for supporting your children with a smooth transition into a new school year. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Garback



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## Upcoming Events

Friday, October 6:  
**Half Day - Early Release @ 12:00 p.m.**

Monday, October 9:  
**NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day**

Wednesday, October 11:  
**CPTO Meeting**

Tuesday, October 17:  
**School Picture Day**

Friday, October 20:  
**NO SCHOOL - Staff Development**

Monday & Tuesday, October 30 & 31:  
**Early Release @ 11:00 a.m. -  
Parent/Teacher Conferences**

## Contact us:

**Main office: (315) 255-8760**

**Fax: (315) 255-8790**

**School Nurse: (315) 255-8766**

**Address: 101 Pulaski Street,  
Auburn, NY 13021**

## September Top Dogs

September's character trait was respect. These students exceptionally demonstrated respect throughout the month of September.



***Congratulations  
to all of our Top Dogs!***

## October Character Trait: **RESPONSIBILITY**

**Responsibility** is taking ownership of my thoughts, words, & actions.

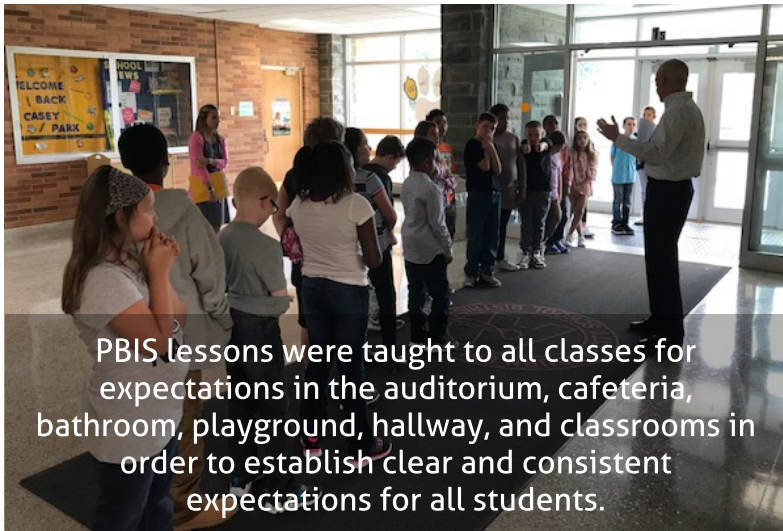
**Show responsibility by:**

- Being in control of your own behavior
- Doing your part when working with others
- Completing your work and trying your best
- Being trusted with important jobs
- Practicing self-control and making good choices

## PBIS Kickoff Celebration



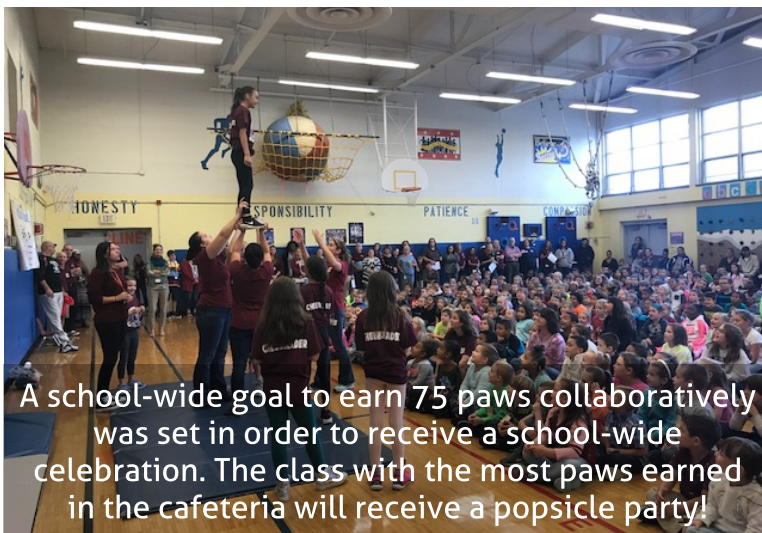
Students played Family Feud to review PBIS expectations in the cafeteria.



PBIS lessons were taught to all classes for expectations in the auditorium, cafeteria, bathroom, playground, hallway, and classrooms in order to establish clear and consistent expectations for all students.

Responsibility Rob joined our kickoff celebration and "caught" students acting responsibly.

He will be out and about in the school throughout the month of October looking to catch students being responsible.  
**Be on the lookout!**



A school-wide goal to earn 75 paws collaboratively was set in order to receive a school-wide celebration. The class with the most paws earned in the cafeteria will receive a popsicle party!

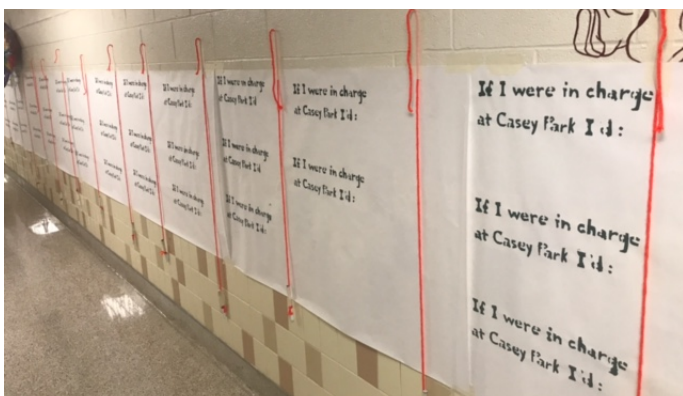
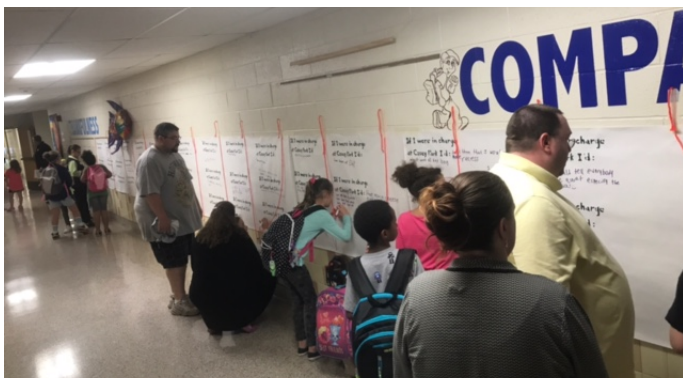




## Open House



Mr. Hennegan and some of our students created an interactive Graffiti Wall. Students and parents were asked to respond to "If I were in charge at Casey Park I would..." This was a highly engaging and fun activity for our students and families. The responses were very entertaining!



## ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL REMINDERS:

Please remember that the parking lot on the EAST side of the school, where 3rd and 4th graders are dropped off and picked up, is designated for staff parking with no through traffic. There have been some safety concerns with cars driving through this area when students are being dropped off and picked up. **Due to the safety of our students, there will be no through traffic allowed in this area.**

Students will be allowed in the building starting at 8:30 a.m. Please be sure your child arrives no earlier than 8:15 a.m. as there is no supervision before this time. Students should enter through the door designated for their grade level.

- Kindergarten will enter at 8:30 a.m. and be dismissed at 3:05 p.m. through the West Wing door.
- 1st grade will enter at 8:30 a.m. and be dismissed at 3:10 p.m. through the West Wing door.
- 2nd, 5th, & 6th grades will enter at 8:30 a.m. and be dismissed at 3:10 p.m. through the front door.
- 3rd & 4th grades will enter at 8:30 a.m. and be dismissed at 3:10 p.m. through the East Wing door.

## Bikes:



**Student safety is our top priority!**

Students in 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grades ONLY will be permitted to ride bicycles to school. New York State Law and Casey Park Elementary School require that students wear a helmet. Students who ride a bike to school without wearing a helmet will not be allowed to ride his/her bicycle home.

Parent/guardians will be contacted to retrieve the bicycle, or bring the student a helmet to wear. For the safety of others, students should walk their bicycles on sidewalks in front of the school.



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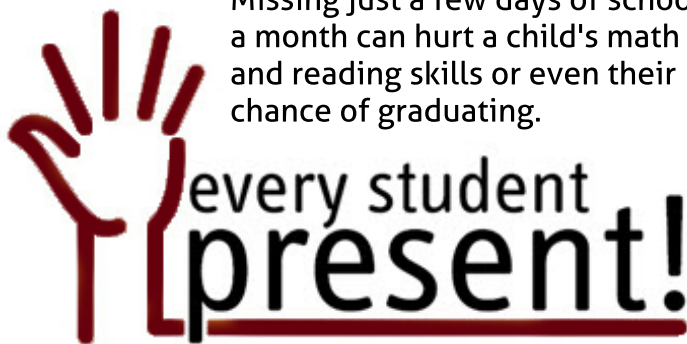
## Updating Contact Information

Just a reminder that directions for updating contact information were sent home. Please make sure your child's information is updated as soon as possible by going to: [www.familyid.com](http://www.familyid.com)

If you need additional information or support, please contact your child's classroom teacher or our school secretary, Mrs. Hulik, at (315) 255-8760.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Missing just a few days of school a month can hurt a child's math and reading skills or even their chance of graduating.



Bright futures begin with good school attendance

Please help us reduce chronic absence. Visit [www.everystudentpresent.org/parents](http://www.everystudentpresent.org/parents) for more info. #EveryStudentPresentAECSD

**When I miss school,  
my opportunities  
disappear...**



## Our friends from Syracuse Stage performed *Metamorphan*

