

Herman Ave.

Hawk News

JUNE
2018

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

June Events

- 6/1- Kindergarten Concert at 1:30 p.m. in the auditorium
- 6/1- Grade 4 field trip- YMCA Camp
- 6/4- NYS Science Test -Written Section- Gr. 4
- 6/5- NYS Science Test Make-Ups- Gr.4
- 6/6- PTO Meeting @ 4:00 p.m. in Library
- 6/7- Grade 6 to AJHS- Tour- 10:00 a.m.
- 6/7- Grade 5 field trip- Skaneateles YMCA
- 6/7- Grade 6 Dance @ AJHS- 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- 6/8- Kindergarten Fieldtrip- Rosamond Gifford Zoo
- 6/11- Carol's Games Gr. 6 @ AJHS
- 6/14- Grade 3 fieldtrip - MOST
- 6/15- Activity Day Grades K-5. Schedule will follow
- 6/15- Grade 6 fieldtrip- Wonderworks- Destiny Mall- Syracuse
- 6/18- Moving Up Night Gr. 6 @ 6:00 p.m. @ AJHS
- 6/20- Last Day for Students- Dismissal @ noon

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The warm weather is here and summer is nearly upon us! As a principal this is my favorite part of the year. We already had a few big events that were really well attended. For the first time ever our spring concert was outdoors and the weather cooperated making it a great experience for everyone. Also, our Multicultural Art and Spring Learning Fair was a huge success. What makes these events successful is your participation in them. When parents are very involved with their children's schools, everyone benefits!

Now that June is upon us, we still have some really cool events on the horizon. If you have a Kindergarten student don't miss their graduation. I've watched the kids rehearse and they have something special just for you! Our Activity Day is fast approaching and the committee has been planning a really fun day for all.

Thank you for everything you have done to support your child this year. As I said before, the more you're involved, the better we are at doing our jobs here at Herman Avenue Elementary.

Sincerely,

Ronald Gorney



SCHOOL NEWS

Multicultural Art & Spring Learning Fair

This year marked our 17th Multicultural Art & Spring Learning Fair that took place on Thursday, May 17, 2018 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at Herman Ave. Elementary School. Excellent job to all of the staff and students who participated in any way!! Our school show was a huge success. We had over 900 students along with family and community members who attended the show.

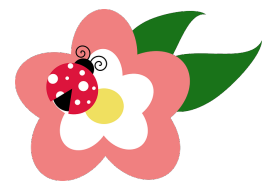
We enjoyed: Kindergarten- Ms. Siddall's Kindergarten singing in French, artwork inspired from the countries of China, Japan, Egypt, Mexico, USA.

Attendees of the show experienced: student art created by every student in the entire school, Learning Fair projects, Science Fair projects, games, 2 new murals in the garden, creating a Love Rock, planting flowers with Lowes and in the garden with Mrs. Zimmer, food, Absolute Dance, McDonald School of Irish Step and much more.

A special thanks goes out to all of the performers, World Language Department & high school students, Mrs. Crosby, Mrs. Zimmer, Mrs. Pesarchick, Mrs. Messina, Mr. Gorney, Mrs. Stanton, Mrs. Mulvaney, Whiting's Wallpaper & Paints, Lowes, Mesa Grande, PTO and all staff. Without your hard work and effort, our show would not be such an enormous success each year. Thanks to all for doing a fantastic job, as always!!



Gardening at Herman Ave.



Mrs. Zimmer's first grade class had fun prepping the garden soil and getting it ready for planting. They especially enjoyed finding worms and other garden bugs in the soil!



HEALTH NEWS

New Health Exam and Screening Guidelines

As of July 1, 2018, the mandated years for health exams and screenings will change. In addition, only the approved NYS School Health Examination Form may be used to document health exams to provide consistency across the state. This form will be available in the coming months.

Specifically, the following changes will be enacted:

- Health examinations will be required in grades Pre K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.
- Vision screening for distance and near vision acuity will be required within 6 months of admission to school and in grades Pre K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Hearing screening will be required within 6 months of admission to school and in grades Pre K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Scoliosis screening will be required in grades 5 and 7 for girls and grade 9 for boys.

Parents should plan now to have physical exams coincide with the new required grade levels.

Please plan ahead and make your doctor appointments now for immunizations required for school entry.

*** ALL Kindergarten students requirements were mailed to incoming students.

*** ALL 6th grade students are required to have a Tdap vaccine.

*** ALL 7th grade students are required to have a Meningococcal vaccine.

PE Summer News

Don't forget to get your exercise this summer! Use the calendar below for some fun outdoor activities.

Please remind your child to bring their sneakers for PE class!

JUNE

DEAM Calendar

DROP EVERYTHING AND MOVE

Name _____

Teacher _____

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 _____ Pick 5 different muscles to stretch. Hold each stretch for 20 seconds.	2 _____ Enjoy the great outdoors!
3 _____ Do as many curl-ups as you can.	4 _____ Using sidewalk chalk, make a hopscotch board.	5 _____ Say your math facts while doing reverse lunges.	6 _____ Take a walk.	7 _____ June is Dairy Month. Enjoy a serving of dairy (or dairy alternative).	8 _____ Pick 5 different muscles to stretch. Hold each stretch for 20 seconds.	9 _____ It's National Gardening Week: Plant something!
10 _____ Do as many trunk-lifts as you can.	11 _____ Using sidewalk chalk, make a 2-square game and challenge a friend.	12 _____ Do push-up shoulder taps while reciting your spelling words.	13 _____ Take a walk.	14 _____ June is Dairy Month. Enjoy a serving of dairy (or dairy alternative).	15 _____ Pick 5 different muscles to stretch. Hold each stretch for 20 seconds.	16 _____ Take a hike.
17 _____ Do as many squats as you can.	18 _____ Using sidewalk chalk, draw a maze and challenge a parent.	19 _____ Perform squat-jumps while naming the continents.	20 _____ Take a walk.	21 _____ June is Dairy Month. Enjoy a serving of dairy (or dairy alternative).	22 _____ Pick 5 different muscles to stretch. Hold each stretch for 20 seconds.	23 _____ Help with some outdoor chores.
24 _____ Do as many push-ups as you can.	25 _____ Using sidewalk chalk, invent a game you think sounds fun!	26 _____ Read a book while doing a wall sit.	27 _____ Take a walk.	28 _____ June is Dairy Month. Enjoy a serving of dairy (or dairy alternative).	29 _____ Pick 5 different muscles to stretch. Hold each stretch for 20 seconds.	30 _____ Lightening Safety: Play outside if there is NO thunder or lightening.

DEAM Days:

"Super Sunday"
"Move More Monday"
"Two-on Tuesday"
"Walking Wednesday"
"Think-It Thursday"
"Flexibility Friday"
"Sit-less Saturday"

Please Remember

> Always get adult permission before doing any activity.
> Return calendar to your teacher at the end of the month.

Purpose:

This calendar encourages families to become more physically active and to take steps toward a healthier lifestyle. Each day, there is an activity that each student is asked to complete with a family member (or with adult supervision).

Directions:

After a child completes a day's activity, the adult should initial in the space provided. Each week, you are allowed to miss one day (activity). If this happens, put an "X" across that day (do not initial).

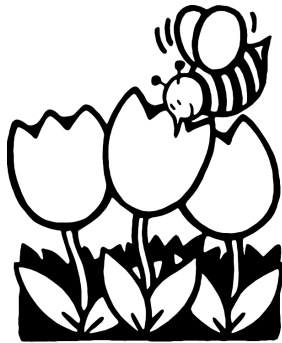
CLASSROOM NEWS



Third grade classes studied butterflies, their life cycle and metamorphosis. Each student was given a caterpillar to observe as it grew and formed a chrysalis. The young butterflies are now hatching! The children in Mrs. Tabone's class can be seen in the photos below observing the different parts of the butterfly. Third grade students will be participating in a butterfly videoconference in the library. Students will learn about the monarch butterfly and its long-distance migrations.



Mrs. Zimmer's class has hermit crabs in their classroom. What else would a hermit crab climb on in first grade, but Legos?!



For Memorial Day, students placed red, white, and blue pinwheels in the front lawn of Herman Ave. Elementary to honor those that have served our country.



SUMMER FUN

Summer Reading and STEM

Mrs. Crosby's library classes have been learning about computer coding. Many classes practiced their coding skills using Ozobots as can be seen below. Our community offers many STEM learning opportunities over the summer. Check online at Cayuga Community College for summer camp offerings as well as Seymour Library programs.



Discover Summer @ Seymour Library

July 2—August 18

Discover Summer is a hands-on journey for kids and adults to **discover, play, create, read, learn, and do** more this summer!

Zoo To You

6 pm Thursday, July 12

Animal Skulls

1 pm Friday, July 13

Merry Go Round Summer Tour

11 am Monday, July 23

Graphic Novel Workshop

4 pm Wednesday, July 25

Nature Printing

1 pm Friday, July 27

Seek Nature, Capture Nature

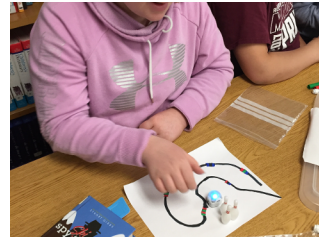
1 pm Saturday, July 28

Nature Storytime with Regi Carpenter

1 pm Saturday August 4

Montezuma Wildlife Refuge

6 pm Monday, August 6



It is important for students to continue practicing their reading skills over the summer. The library will be having a Book Swap for students to bring in "gently used" books from home and swap them with other books that have been brought in. It's a great way for students to have a book that is "new" to them to read over the summer.

Once school is out, Seymour Library will be hosting a "Discover Summer" program during July and August. Seymour Library will again be hosting the Storywalk at Hoopes Park as well. Make sure to stop by Seymour Public Library to see ALL they have to offer. Find out information about Seymour Library on Facebook, Instagram or their website at www.seymourlibrary.org.

PTO Corner



As we enter into the last month of school, the PTO would like to thank everyone for their continued support at the fundraisers and events this school year. We hope you all enjoyed the Multicultural Art and Spring Learning Fair last month.

This month, we are looking forward to class field trips and Activity Day. **The PTO is looking for donations of water and supplies for Activity Day. Please consider helping out by going to <http://signup.com/go/sveNZgm> and sign up to make a donation.**

The election of PTO officers will take place at the June 6th PTO meeting at 4pm in the library.

Hope to see you there!

