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# SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

As of this writing, we are heading into the holiday season in an unusually mild December. I'm sure the mild temperatures won't last, but at least it has held off any snow days so far!

I want to dedicate this issue to recognizing scholarship. We have some amazing student achievers from pre-K through 12. Our students work hard and take pride in what they do, and there are two examples that really highlight this that I'd like to share.

First, our scholar athlete teams. This fall, Newark Valley Schools celebrates all 8 athletic teams achieving a team average above 85%. The teams are as follows:

Cheer Football
Boys Cross Country Boys Soccer
Girls Cross Country Girls Soccer
Field Hockey Volleyball

These teams represent roughly 70% of our high school student population. Collectively, they had an academic average of 92.49%! This is an astonishing achievement considering all of the time that these students put into practices, games, travel, other clubs, and outside activities. I want to commend them for all of their hard work. Additionally, I want to commend our coaches and staff for always keeping academics first. Finally, I want to commend our parents for find-

ing the balance and the time to help these kids reach their goals. I know from experience how hard it can be to juggle all of your responsibilities and stay on top of your kids' academics.

We really believe strongly in the mantra that "success breeds success". This is proof positive.

By no means is high academic achievement confined to our athletic teams. We have incredible success stories across the District. If you spent ten minutes with a group of first grade students in our new NTH STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) Lab, you would be amazed at what they accomplish. If you've ever attended a Middle School band performance, you've seen, and heard, an incredible academic achievement. That those students learn their performance pieces in such limited time is amazing.

The list could go on and on. So here's to our kids and their success as we head into the new year. They achieve in so many different ways both in and out of the classroom.

We will continue do our best, and work our hardest, to help them reach their fullest potential.

Happy New Year! Sincerely, Ryan Dougherty, Superintendent of Schools

# Friends of Rachel and Interact Clubs Spread Holiday Cheer

The Friends of Rachel club and Interact club made Christmas cards for Riverview Manor in Owego. On Saturday, December 23rd, both clubs spread lots of holiday cheer by singing Christmas carols and handing out the cards to the residents. (*Photographer – Emma Gregrow*)





At Riverview
Manor from left
to right (Friends
of Rachel members) Ashlee
Marsh, Lyndsey
Diego, Paityn
Smith, Melinda
Byrne and (Interact members)
Kayla Malarkey
and
Serina Milewski.

# Student Sweetshop at Holiday Magic Festival

Fifth graders in Mrs. Giblin and Mrs. Hager's This project would not have been possible without room have participated in a community service projabout community service and economics while making sweet treats for Newark Valley's annual Holiday Magic Festival. During class time, they worked together to make and package treats. They also studied concepts such as profit, budgets and customer service. Parents donated ingredients, volunteered to help make treats and supervised students at the festival.





their help. The unit ended with the creation of G & ect for several years. Again, this year, students learned H Sweetshop which was open during Holiday Magic. Students greeted customers and sold treats throughout the evening. If you didn't get the chance to visit the shop, watch for them next year. They'll be there, wearing Santa hats and selling delicious treats. Happy Holidays from our fifth graders!!







# Third Grade trip to the NV Town Historian's Office

On November 29, 2017, Miss Hochberg's third grade students took a short walk across the street to the Newark Valley Town Historian's Office. We were warmly greeted by several volunteers, including Mrs. Shirley Callahan the Town Historian, and one of their deputy historians, Mrs. Marty Schneider, a retired NVC-SD teacher. In class we completed Unit 1 in our Social Studies book, "What is a Community" which included a lesson on how communities change over time. In our classroom we used some of the materials from the Historical Society, including the postcard book. We also used materials from Ray Hunt and Maurice Stoughton including their books about the history of Berkshire and calendars using a variety of historical photos and drawings.





The students were anxious to see some "history up close," and they were not disappointed. We saw historical photos, primary source documents including letters from NV residents during the war, objects from local businesses including the Ladder Factory, and even old yearbooks where students looked up pictures of their parents and other relatives.

All of the guides were enthusiastic in their sharing of the material, and all the students enjoyed the lessons. Some of their comments were, "I liked that we got to see a model of old Newark Valley." "I learned that the T in Nathan T. Hall stands for Tyler." "I was surprised you had that many old papers and pictures!" "I loved all of the exhibits."

We want to thank everyone at the Historian's Office who helped make our visit so enjoyable. We would encourage others to take advantage of this excellent and conveniently located resource!





# Getting to Know Some of NVCD's Newest Faculty Members

**NVMS Carrie Snyder** 



Position at NVMS: 5th grade Science/Social Studies

Years Teaching: 4 yrs teaching experience: 3 yrs at kindergarten level at O-A central schools, and 1 year 2nd grade at Tioga Central Schools

Family: I have four sons... Josh, 15 yrs...Gabe, 13 yrs...Duke, 10 yrs....and Jordan, 8 yrs

Outside Interests: I spend most of my free time going to my sons' sporting events and enjoying my friends and family

I love to sew guilts, cook, do crossfit, run, and read

I also enjoy watching live music whenever possible and spending time in the Adirondack Mountains whenever I get the chance....:)

Other things I would like to share: I have an adorable dog named Oliver who can say "mama" for a piece of food from the dinner table....haha!

NVMS **Taylor Witman** 



Position at NVMS: 6th Grade Math

A Graduate of: Sayre High School & Lock Haven University

Years Teaching: 1st year permanent (6 years substitute teaching)

Family: Wife & 3 daughters aged: 7, 9, 13

Outside Interests: Sports, Movie Buff, Theater

Other things I would like to share: I like building projects (such as home improvements and renovations)



**NVHS Kelly LaPorte** 



Position at NVHS: 8th grade Special Education

A Graduate of: Chenango Valley High School and Binghamton University

Years Teaching: 10 years, prior to taking some time off to be home with my children

Family: Husband-Brian Kids - Maddie, 11 Emily, 9 and Jack, 6

Outside Interests: Spending time with my family, especially camping in the summer, is my favorite pastime. I also enjoy reading and exercising, especially running.

Other things I would like to share: I'm very happy to be back in the classroom full time here at the high school, and feel fortunate to be a part of this amazing community.

# MS Winter Concert Enjoyed by All

On December 6th a packed audience enjoyed the Middle School Winter Concert featuring the Sixth and Seventh Grade Bands and the Sixth and Seventh Grade Chorus's. The choruses, under the direction of Leslie Steidle and accompanied by Jewel Griffith, featured selections ranging from classic holiday tunes, to jazzy interpretations and fun patriotic songs. The bands, conducted by Michael Nave kept toes tapping and covered a wide range of styles from "Creepy Crawlies" to Tchaikovsky's "Dance of the Reed Flutes".

Students and teachers have worked extremely diligently to bring this proud of their accomplishments!







**Ted Hardenstine Named** 

Coach of the Year

ley's own Ted Hardenstine who was

named the "Elite 24 Coach of the

Year" in a Pressconnects article

published December 8, 2017. Ted

had big shoes to fill, stepping in af-

ter last year's Championship sea-

son led by Coach Brian Sherwood.

(Both pictured below sporting their

best Hideous Holiday Wear dur-

ing this year's Middle School Spirit

Week)

Congratulations to Newark Val-

Ted did a great job and lead the team to 10 wins this season, extending NV's two season streak to 23 wins.



(Photo: Jim Danvers)

To read the complete article go to: http://www.pressconnects.com/story/sports/high-school/2017/12/08/ elite-24-coach-year-ted-hardenstine/925928001/



quality of music to our community, and appreciation for their efforts was evident in the applause, smiling faces and humming heard by audience members as they left. All involved did a fantastic job, and should be very





#### HIGH HONOR ROLL - 10 WEEKS -

#### **GRADE 12**

Susan Armstrong Phillip Babey Robert Beck Melinda Byrne Lindsey Diego Laura Durand Farrah Fiacco Jaysen Jester Jordan LaBounty **Daniel Lindhorst** Ashlee Marsh Mark Morvkan Adam Osborn Kelly Perkins Paityn Smith Quartus Steika Lauren Tijerina

#### **GRADE 11**

Hannah Clark Kiley Kerns Kristina Knight Gabriel Perkins Colleen Riegel Brandon Rinkavage Madison Sherwood Natalie Shofkom

**GRADE 10** Caden Bennett Marissa Berghorn Gavin Blee Elizabeth Ferguson Michael Kasper Regan Lanning Katelyn Maine Kayla Malarkey Riley Malone Sarah Mertson Ashleigh Miller Andrew Obregon Joshua Post Mara Skellett Alexander Umiker Matthew Waterman Corey Young

#### **GRADE 9**

Maris Aylesworth Timothy Bishop John Boldis Samuel Durand Felicia Fiacco Kayla Hill Kaila McNally **Evelyn Medina** 

Renee Riegel John Simmons Avigail Strohmeyer Allison Walker Leah Williams

#### **GRADE 8**

Matthew Bigelow Patrick Bishop Piper Davis Phaedra Day Alexandra Felice Hannah Ferguson Graciella Gardner Aden Hollenbeck Hannah Holt John Paul Kidney Jason Knight Mackenzie Lawrence Paige Little Molly McCloskey Gabrielle Pettit Ashleigh Turnbull Rachael Walker Alisha Westfall **Hunter Williams** Darrah Wright

**GRADE 7** Karli Berghorn Katie Berghorn Justin Coleman Alannah Deer Layla Etienne Hannah Hayes Kyra Maine Mackenzie Malone Clara McCloskey Virginia Mertson Emma Miller Ashley Moncalieri Kasey Murphy Owen Sailus Joseph Sherwood Isabella Shiel Kathryn Simmons Angelina Sloughter **Austin Smith** Logan Smith

### **GRADE 6**

Madyson Armstrong Midori Barrett Mackenzie Benjamin Miranda Brown Mckenna Buck Lorelei Cole

Mackenzie Day Hailey Engbith Makana Gardner Skye Gorsline Dallas Jensen Matthew Kasper Matthew Keller Mikayla Lawrence Erin Lewis

# Raechelle Mathewson Fiona McMurray Michael Medina

Rachel Parisot **Daniel Pirger** Harley Switzer Jamison Thompson Joslyn Wright

# **HONOR ROLL** -10 WEEKS

**GRADE 12** Molly Baker

Tyler Beebe **Austin Bennett** Becca Bushong Ryan Crispell Alissa Franco **Chandler Guiles Hunter Hoffmier** Taylor Kalpokas Shawn Key Amanda McNally Patrick Pennay Quinn Shay Allyah Simmons Anna Simmons Jacob Snapp Logan Sweet Joshua Updike Micheal Walburn

Autumn Wales

**GRADE 11** Ivan Aylesworth **Daniel Cowulich** Stephen Cowulich **Taylor Edwards** Shelby Frink **Emma Gregrow** Lauren Gwardyak Madison Hartenstein **Emily Holt** William Knight **Brady Mason** Victoria Mellem Serina Milewski

#### -HONOR ROLL - 10 WEEKS ----

Sophia Nash Kyle Pratt Tia Quick Marissa Silba **Emily Squires** Tyler Stevenson Sophie Stewart Alexis Williams Micah Williams Elizabeth Zimmer

# **GRADE 10**

Samantha Allen Ethan Bigelow Colin Creeley Ronan Dougherty Hayden Flesher Deeken Frost Gregor Geisenhof Cassidy Hoffmier Crysta Keller Jacob Ludwig Courtney Maule Emma Morgan Libby Northrop **Tucker Pettit** Nathan Sokol

#### **GRADE 9** Andrew Ace

Brianna Beebe Aidan Cabrera Cameron Carrier Charlotte Dunn Megan Felicetti **Emma Graves** Jillianne Hanson **Daniel Haves** Rosaria Hines Ashley Holt Cymbri Jefferson Derrick Kalpokas Kelsey Kerns Vienna Kuhn Collin McCall Dawson Moncalieri Gabriel Otero McKenzie Pado Madison Peabody Rayne Reynolds **Brenton Rosenberg Eugene Scales** Steffi Schanbacher Stephanie Updike Allie Wandell Leeanne Yammine Connor Yetter

# **GRADE 8**

**Emmett Armbruster** 

Riley Babcock **Taylor Benjamin** Madison Bigelow Cameron Cole Mark Davey Eva Denis Victoria Geisenhof Kathryn Greene Connor Jacobson James Keener Chase LaBounty Lillian LaMontain Logan Mann Noah Martin Christian Pado Luke Rinkavage Jonathan Sherwood Olivia Simms Ethan Skeide Amber Slavik **Devin Smith** Makayla VanOrder Jadyn Vanzile Michael Wandell Austin Weeks Brooklyn Zduniak

# **GRADE 7**

**Daniel Boldis** Michelle Brooks **Kylee Carrier** John Fiacco Maxwell Flesher Kalyna Graham Jared Green Jenna Hanson Anvil IIsley Dellione King Logan Klingle Jamie Lewis **Gavin Mann** Troy Middendorf John Mincher Hailey Moncalieri Samuel Morgan Sarah Raymond Christa Schanbacher Kathryn Schanbacher Corbin Swindler Tatiana Tarbox Rvli Titus Jonathan Umiker Sandra Vaughn

Evan Wolfer

### ----- HONOR ROLL - 10 WEEKS

# **GRADE 6**

Kaitlyn Babcock Alyssa Brown **Madison Davis** Cora Denis Bryce Dunn Paige Hinckley Levi Holt Justin Jacobson Jerod Meddaugh Seth Northrop Kaiden Pado Brendan Plagens Shay Reynolds Kathleen Rombach Selena Sanchez Aiyanna Stebbins **Brooke Swindler** Elizabeth Waterman Calleigh Wolfson

### **GRADE 5**

Harrison Barrett

Hailie Carter **Brianne Cook** Maddison Craft Laura Cranmer Joseph Dantuono Aubrey Ellis **Brandon Eynon** Chelsea Eynon Adrianna Finta Kaytlyn Hall **Emmett Hendrickson** Chevanne Jordan Aiden Klingle Bela Krenner **Gabriel Merrill** Trevor Middendorf Bianca Milewski Brianna Miller Carson Morris Samuel Nash Livia Short Ashton Slavik Emma Smith Carissa Sweet Scott Wager Benjamin Wilson

#### **GRADE 4**

Kaylee Armstrong Anaya Aylesworth Abigail Benjamin Madison Bishop Ryan Bohne

#### Megan Brooks Kaylee Crumb Francis Dallaire

**Austin Green** 

Ella Klingle

Sarah Lewis

Sarah Moore

Haley Payne

Adriana Rich

Anna Roth

Valaina Royal

John Sloughter

Nikara Taylor

Olivia Vaughn

Olivia Webb

**GRADE 12** 

Codi Boda

**Garrett Baker** 

Shavne Bickham

Aiden Cressman

Jacob Hanson

Leah Ludwig

Alexis Mounts

Bishop Playle

Patrick Stewart

**Amber Wales** 

Noble Walker

Michael Williams

Ian Ryder

Ashlee Doncaster

Michael Wandell

Cheyenne Welch

**Dustin Williams** 

Timothy Wojtysiak

**WEEKS** 

Anna Sailus

Ryan

**Emilee Rhodes** 

Joseph Rombach

Schweckendieck

Mavkela Rathbone

Kya Beverly Hall Tylor Cummings Kareem Harry Erika Dunn Rachel Hartman Megan Gilbride Nathan Hinckley Staci Greene Jackson Hoover Brandon Jacobson Nevaeh Hulbert Tressa MaeAnna Jackson Nechwedowich Haley Osburn Aubrey Kwiatkowski Savannah Perry **Emily LaPorte Evan Powell Gunnison Leonard** Trentyn Rupert Jesse Stetson Faith Stoughton Nicholas Pawlik

**GRADE 11** 

Amber Bean

Kyle Coffin

Madyson Colby

# **GRADE 10**

Chelsie Fuller Leah Hartenstein Jordan Johnson Zachary Kwiatkowski Kennedy McNeil Kimberlee Mertson Preston Schrader Bradley Scymanski **April Simmons** Mackenzie Thompson Zachary VanOrder Brice Wager Alison Wales Austin Wilcox

#### **GRADE 9** Levi Arnold

Alyssa Baker **MERIT ROLL - 10** Emma Clark Morgan Cwynar Shawn Deer Jacob Downey Joshua Duke Raidyn Ford Madi-Lyn Goodwin Logan Hines Richard Jager Adam Keller Lois Kidney Kamden McCall **David Mincher** Mackenna Courtney Thompson Nechwedowich Morgan Tompkins Alexandria Park Courtney Romig Izabel Rosalez Connor Spoonhower

#### **MERIT ROLL - 10 WEEKS**

**Emily VanPatten** Zoe Welfel Chloe Yetter Sidney Yurko

### **GRADE 8**

Joseph Armstrong Megan Boyce Jules Etienne **Brooke Gorsline Hunter Gorsline** Kori Hall Haylie Hammond Micheal Johnson Brandon Randall **Emily Riggs** Mika Spicer Lisaliyah Tafoya Montana Wallace Andrew Waterman

**GRADE 7** Lillian Austin Hayley Beebe **Emily Cooper** Megan Cornell Daniel Hall **Barden Hines Broderick Hines** Tristan Jones Caleb Karp Emma Marshall-Leach

Derek Payne Faith Payne Brianna Searle Landon Spoonhower Brandon Yurko Anthony Zukowski

**GRADE 6** Mathieu Bauer Nathaniel Beebe Gabriel Benjamin Zachery Brodfuehrer Mara Crumb Malachi Grant Brandon Greene Brady Hill Brianna Hillman Jordan Hines Eric Hunt Trent Jackson Ryan Rhodes Aleczander Rosenberg

Haley Scott **Daniel Truesdail** Leia Vansteenburgh Connor Vanzile Ruthanne Walburn Jesiyah Young

#### **GRADE 5** Remy Allard

Morgan Bauer Adria Bennett Logan Daniels **Chadisey Darrow** Cross Dzikiewicz Jacob Guiles Kolby Hall Madison Harry HattieSue Hines Revanna Hines-Cornell Dylan Iversen Joshua Karp Riley Lavine Oren Lindridge Rebecca Thompson John Turnbull Jenna Vosburgh James Wales

# **GRADE 4**

Rose Wandell

Eric Andersen Janette Benting Logan Bradford Titus Callahan Hayden Clarke Olivia Cornell Rylie Day Nathan Engbith Madilynn Jordan McKenzie Larkin Jaelynne Lovell Jed Lyon Gage Maxwell Ryan Miller **Brenton Payne** Maddox Russell Loucknel SaintSurin William Simmons Brian Smith Maiya Titus Carlee Vice Logan Woodin **Brock Woodmansee** 

#### **NV Celebrates Scholar Athletes**

In addition to the accolades of our athletes (below right), we are also incredibly proud to announce that SIX of our seven fall sports teams achieved Scholar Athlete status this past season! For some teams, this is the first time the majority of the team has achieved over a 90% GPA. This has been a collaborative effort among our faculty and staff, our students, and our coaches and it is highly commendable that our students athletes have demonstrated this kind of success in our classrooms.

Thanks to all who have built the foundation for our students to achieve this, those that have nurtured, developed, and challenged those skills and abilities, and all who keep the conversations going about the importance of academic success.

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Cheer	85.65
<b>Cross Country COMBINED</b>	94.60
<b>Cross Country BOYS</b>	91.06
Cross Country GIRLS	94.94
Field Hockey	95.18
Football	90.87
Soccer BOYS	94.83
Soccer GIRLS	94.43
Volleyball	92.94
Players w/90+ Ave	erages
Cheer	3 out of 18
<b>Cross Country COMBINED</b>	X
<b>Cross Country BOYS</b>	5 out of 11
<b>Cross Country GIRLS</b>	8 of 8!
Field Hockey	10 out of 13
Football	14 out of 29
Soccer BOYS	13 out 16
Soccer GIRLS	16 out 18
Volleyball	6 out of 11

**Team Averages** 

#### **Additional Accolades**

#### Football:

Collen Hills – Hunter Hoffmier – Tyler Beebe – Trentyn Rupert – Trevor Gerdus – Quartus Steika – Caden Bennett – Alex Woodmansee – Kyle Pratt – Austin Bennett

#### Girls Cross Country:

Kristina Knight (Sectional Champion) – Renee Riegel – Marissa Silba – Sophie Stewart

#### Field Hockey:

Elizabeth Ferguson – Cassidy Hoffmier – Ashlee Marsh – Alison Wales – Marissa Berghorn – Laura Durand

#### **Boys Soccer:**

Micah Williams – Dan Cowulich – Phillip Babey – Dan Lindhorst – Steve Cowulich – Nathan Sokol – Noah Shiel – Corey Young

#### Girls Soccer:

Maddy Sherwood (4th team All-State) – Makenna Nechwedowich – Leah Williams – Kelsey Kerns – Lindsay Diego

#### Volleyball:

Colby Spohn – Kelly Perkins – Maddy Hartenstein – Molly Baker (DIVISION MVP)

### **NV Booster Club News**

This year is going by fast. Our sports teams have been on a roll and we couldn't be more proud of them all. Not only in respects to athletics but in academics as well, with a great number of our teams/students being named scholar-athletes/teams this year.

Another noteworthy accomplishment that took place this fall was the Replace the Lace fund raiser fully benefitting the cancer society. The Booster Club in conjunction with the Varsity Club, Soccer Club, Running Club, Spirit Club, Field Hockey, Football and Volleyball Club sold 250 pairs of laces. Our Varsity teams all wore the laces for their last few games to support one of our cross country athletes, Brody Hines.

Please volunteer with your child's team to help them run their chosen night for concession stand. Remember the team directly benefits from this. Volunteers are still needed to take over the Booster Club and continue the support we provide our teams and school. Check the facebook page Nvcardinalsboosterclub.

GO CARDINALS!!!!!

# Mark Your Calendars for STEAM Night in March

Newark Valley is hosting the district's 6th annual Family STEAM Night. Come experience the fun of integrating science, technology, engineering, art and math (STEAM). Students and groups from Newark Valley Middle School and High Schools will have a variety of presentations and hands on activities for students in Pre-K through 5th grade. There will also be giveaways.

STEAM Night will be held at Newark Valley Middle School on Wednesday March 21st, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. All students in Pre-K through 5th grade and their families are welcome.

# NVUT Members Once Again Support the Owego Open Door Mission Children's Program

All three buildings collected donations of toys, clothing, and gift cards that were delivered to the Open Door Mission for distribution at their Holiday Family Party which took place Saturday, Dec. 9 at The Owego Elks Club. Several NVCS families were able to participate this year and benefit from our donations! Thank you to everyone who helped with this endeavor!





Thanks to BOCES the kids at Nathan T. Hall were able to try their hand (or rather, feet) in some snow shoeing. Their first attempt was missing one key ingredient... but finally some snow fell and the kids had a great time learning a new skill.







# 2017 Girls Cross-Country - Section IV Champs

The 2017 Girls Cross-Country team had an unfor- 15th, with teammate Marissa Silba, and her 53rd place gettable season this year, capping it off with a 5th place 11th time in the past 13 seasons, the Girls XC team trip to the NY State XC Championship meet. At Sectionals, junior Kristina Knight won the individual crown, becoming the 3rd NV girl in history to be the sectional champion. She was followed by freshman Renee Riegel in 3rd and junior Marissa Silba in 5th. All three girls are Section IV Class C First Team All-Stars. Juexcellent races, completed the team scoring with their 15th and 20th place finishes.

The following week at States, the team was projected to place 7th or 8th, depending on the source, but the team would not accept that team prediction or their individual projections. On a very cold and windy day on a course that was muddy throughout and up to their ankles in several places, the girls ran a determined race, with inspiration and heart, to place 5th in Class C. Our top finisher on this impressive day was Renee Riegel, who despite being projected to place 43rd took

projection, 9/10 of a second behind in 18th place. Krisfinish at States. For the 3rd consecutive year, and the tina Knight, despite being sick, placed 52nd, and Sophie Stewart bettered her projected finish by 31 places won the Section IV Team Championship and earned a with teammate Colleen Riegel besting her projection by 19 places. Solid races by senior Anna Simmons, our team captain, and freshman Rosie Hines completed the incredible day at States, enabling the NV Girls Cross-Country program to record their 10th top 5 Class C finish in 11 trips to States over the last 13 seasons.

Thank you to our amazing group of parents, our niors Sophie Stewart and Colleen Riegel, who also had Athletic Director Scott Wandell, our bus drivers and Transportation Department, our Building & Grounds crew and especially Dennis Wright for manicuring our course to be one of the very best in NY state, and to our administrators and staff for all the support they provided this year and in past years that have assisted us in having a highly successful season and program. And, thank you for the honor and privilege to coach this year's group of student athletes who represented their families, our school, and this community so well. Brian Trippany & Eric D'Arcy



# **MS Students Learn Survival Skills**

In October, Middle School students hiked the trail to Alexander Pond and learned about basic wilderness survival skills in Physical Education class. On the last day of the unit, students worked in teams to build leanto shelters. It was amazing to see what the students could create in such a short period of time...all while being physically active and having fun. If you are hiking the trail, keep an eye out for some of these awesome shelters created by our students!







# **Pre-K Gets Creative for the Holidays**

Mrs. Conaty's Pre-Kindergarten classes worked very hard to make our classroom very festive. First we started with building a GIANT Gingerbread House for students to use during dramatic play. Next the students spent weeks decorating the Gingerbread House with Christmas bulb strands, each with their names on them, decorated candy canes and Christmas trees. Once that project was completed we created reindeer and Christmas trees in directed drawing lessons. Directed drawing lets students see themselves as artists and builds a great deal of confidence. The children worked very hard at following step by step directions and I am so proud of their creations. A special thank you to Paula Simmons for helping with our Gingerbread House creation.



# **Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration for** the 2018-19 School Year

Registration will be held the week of March 5-9 from 9:30 am to 3 pm daily and on the evening of Thursday, March 8 from 6-8 pm at Nathan T. Hall Elementary School.

Children who will be five years old on or before December 1, 2018 are eligible to enter Kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year. Children who will be four years old on or before December 1, 2018 are eligible to enter Pre-K for the 2018-2019 school year.

Parents or guardians of children listed in our current school census database will be notified by mail. Please call the Nathan T. Hall Elementary School office at 642-3340 x1 if you have not received a post card by February 23.

Parents or guardians should bring their child's birth certificate, immunization record and two proofs of residency. Parents are reminded that New York State law requires written proof that all students have immunization against polio, measles, diphtheria, mumps, rubella, varicella (chicken pox) and hepatitis B or medical verification of any of the above illnesses.

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