

"Education is not filling a pail but the lighting of a fire."

~William Butler Yeats

UPCOMING EVENTS...

- 6/2—PTO Carnival
- 6/5—Band/Orchestra Concert
- 6/8—Half Day
- 6/12—6/16—PE Water Days
- 6/13—Jack Gramlich visiting for Kindergarten
- 6/22—Last Day for students (Full Day)

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Allen Road Elementary School

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Gator 'Tales'...

This month marks my 20th wedding anniversary. Full disclosure: I can't say I remember much from the ceremony due to nerves, but one part that will forever stand out was when the pastor attempted humor to relieve our nerves. It was at the point of saying 'I Do'. Once I stated it aloud, he quickly quipped "Simultaneously the longest and shortest sentence known to man" (met with mixed reviews).

What strikes me though is the similarity between that phrase and what I think all of us feel as parents, staff, and students when we reach June each year. An elementary school year has a funny way of feeling like September was both 'forever' ago, and yesterday, at the same time. This year is obviously no different with all we have packed



in!

Your support as a parent, the expertise and caring of our staff, and the hard work of your children have made for a great school year. My hope this summer is that you will find time to look back across the year—maybe while sitting together and leafing through the yearbook—and see how far your son/daughter has come in just ten

months.

Additionally, I want to take one more opportunity to thank our PTO for their hard work to enrich all of our students social experience across the year with all they do to build school community! I also want to thank an incredible staff for the amazing job they have done preparing your child to move on to the next level in the fall.

Please keep reading with your child over the summer to help us prevent regression, and check our web page during July and August for many updates and insights into what is happening at Allen Road across the entire summer.

Most of all—thank you to all of the students for making us adults smile each day and for making Allen Road

-Diane

PTO News and Views

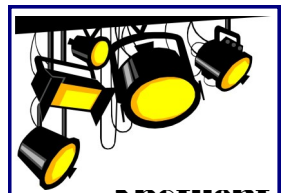
Happy June ARE families. It was so nice to see so many of you at our annual PTO Carnival last Friday. We hope you and your families had a great time! We want to thank the many volunteers who helped to make this event possible for our children. We could not have done it without you!

Thank you as well for everyone's support of our Race For Education—the students had a great deal of fun and we raised

a large amount of funds necessary for our operating costs!

We'll see you in the Fall for another successful school year! We wish much success to our 4th graders who will be moving on to Roxboro Middle. You will be missed, but remember you will always be an Allen Road Gator! Enjoy your summer everyone!

Kim Kennedy and Ashley Kirby
PTO Co-Presidents
arepto@gmail.com



spotlight

Click and visit our

[Allen Road PTO Facebook page](#)

Scroll down to see pictures of our recent visit from the Carnival!

North Syracuse Board of Education:

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NORTH SYRACUSE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT

The students, residents and staff of the North Syracuse Central School District will work collaboratively to ensure a respectful and diversified learning environment. Our collective focus is to provide educational experiences and opportunities that inspire students to reach their individual potential as productive citizens.



Adopted by the Board of Education, August 11, 2014

Central Office Administration:

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Donald F.X. Keegan

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*Executive Director for Diverse Learning
and Student Support*

Donna Marie Norton

Executive Director for Data and Accountability

Allen Road Elementary Office Staff:

David M. Lunden

Building Principal

Kathy See and Robin Floyd

Secretaries

218-2300

Fax: 218-2385

Anna Werksman

School Nurse

218-2303

School Hours: 8:30-4:00

Student Hours: 9:00-3:20

*A leader is a
dealer
in hope.*

*~Napoleon
Bonaparte*



Box Tops:

Just a reminder to keep saving those Box Tops over the summer for our fall contest! This school year we have raised about \$1300.00. Look for our fall contest instructions in the 17-18 school year. Don't forget to check out the website at <http://www.boxtops4education.com> for coupons and sweepstakes. Also download the Box Tops for Education app in the Google Play store or Apple app store to earn the school bonus box tops. It is as simple as scanning your receipts after grocery shopping. Happy Clipping!

Race for Education:

Thank you for sending in labels with addresses. We are still receiving donations. So far we have raised just over \$15,000!

Playground News:

We are forming a committee to help with the plans for the new section of the playground. Please email us at arepto@gmail.com if you are interested in being on this committee, or have information that we would find useful in our process.

Staying in Touch:

Facebook

Please "Like" us on Facebook, and be sure to "follow" us as well. This will help keep you up to date on all things Allen Road! Click here to find our page. https://www.facebook.com/AllenRoadElementary/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel

Look for our giveaway contest on **Wednesday, June 7**. Just follow the directions on the post for your chance to win a free gift card to WonderWorks or Dave and Busters!

Text/Email Alerts

Also, sign up for text and/or email alerts at the following link:

<http://www.nscsd.org/district.cfm?subpage=53630>

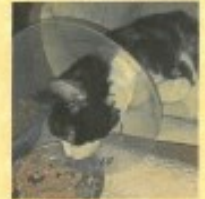
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*~Frederick
Douglass*

A special thank you to our Allen Road Caring Club members for their work this year...

It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men.

~Frederick Douglass



May 25, 2017



Allen Road Elementary School Caring Club
803 Allen Rd
North Syracuse, NY 13212



Dear Caring Club Members:



What a truly CARING club you are! We thank you so very much for the donation of blankets, dish soap and laundry soap for the HumaneCNY shelter. We sure needed it and appreciate it.



It's organizations and people like you that help us to continue caring for so many animals that need help. Photos of some of those we have helped are shown in this letter.



Thanks again!



The Staff, Board of Directors, Volunteers
and Furry Residents of HumaneCNY

From the Health Office...

This month we have a lot of business to take care of.

MEDICATION PICK UP:

Last day to pick up your child's medication will be JUNE 22nd through 4 PM. Any medication **NOT** picked up will be discarded.

Please have your Doctor fill out a new "**Authorization for dispensing Medication**" form for the next school year if needed. This can be printed from my website.

Health Examination Requirements:

New York State law requires **ALL** students entering Kindergarten, 2nd and 4th grades to have a valid Health Examination. They may be dated anytime within 12 months prior to the start of the 2017-2018 schoolyear. Forms can be printed of my website.

SUMMER HOURS:

I will be working at school at the end of August. I will post the dates and times on my website, so if you would like to drop off medication or have any questions for me - I will be available, but please call before coming! I hope you have a **GREAT** Summer - stay **HEALTHY** and **SAFE!!**

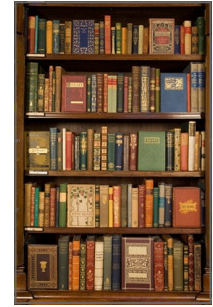
Mrs. Werksman RN

315-218-2303 or email awerksma@nscsd.org

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Life in the Library...



Build a Better World at NOPL

Reading over the summer helps students avoid the “summer slide”. According to NYSED.gov, students who don’t read during the summer lose up to a month’s reading instruction. The Northern Onondaga Public Library has a summer reading program to fit all ages. This year their theme is “Build a Better World”. For more information check out the site <http://www.nopl.org/my-nopl/summer-reading-program/>.

Looking back, we have been busy learning about a variety of library skills and authors this past month.

In third and fourth grade we learned about the databases that the district pays for where students can use to find age appropriate research and e-books. We also spent time learning about notetaking skills. Fourth graders are going to finish out the year by doing an author study on Emmy award winning author William Joyce. Third graders are going to compare different versions of “Jack and the Beanstalk” based on books set in other cultures and from other points of view.

In second grade we have done an author study on Kathryn Otoshi and are starting another author study on Janell Cannon. We will end the year reading books by Caldecott award winning author/illustrator, Jon Klassen.

In first grade we have been learning about the difference between fiction and nonfiction books, how books are organized in the “everybody” section and how nonfiction books are arranged on the shelf. We will finish out the year with an author study on Doreen Cronin.

In Kindergarten we have learned about the difference between photographs and illustrations. We also learned about how everybody books are in ABC order. We will finish out the year by reading some of Mrs. Benson’s favorite stories, “Corduroy” by Don Freeman and “The Monster at the End of this Book” by Jon Stone.

Have a safe and happy summer and I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful books that the students read over the summer!

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~Phyllis Diller

JUNE 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31		

PE Water Days

500—PTO Carnival

6:30—Band/Orchestra Concert @ RRMS
7:00—BOE Meeting

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Jack Gramlich visiting for Kindergarten

Least Day for students (Full Day)

Elementary School Menu

Menu Subject to Change

North Syracuse Central School District Is An Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer

June 2017

Second Choice

Monday – Burger

Tuesday – Popcorn Chicken

Wednesday – Burger

Thursday – Popcorn Chicken

Friday – Burger

PB & J and Yogurt Meal
Available daily

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Available with All Lunches

Assorted Fruit Cups
Milk Choice

5 Hot Dog on
Whole Grain Roll

Sweet Potato Fries
Green Beans

6 Turkey and Cheese
Panini

BBQ Baked Beans
Pasta Salad w/
Veggies
Fresh Fruit

7 Chicken & Potato
Bowl

w/ Biscuit
Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Corn
Vegetable

12 Popcorn Chicken
w/ Dipping Sauce &
Dinner Roll

Baked Beans
Sweet Potato Fries

13 Mini Corn Pop
Dogs

Baby Carrots w/ Dip
Seasoned Corn
Fresh Fruit

14 French Toast Sticks
w/ Sausage

Hash Brown Patties
100%
Fruit/Vegetable
Juice

19 Turkey and Cheese
Bagel Melt

Potato Gems
Green Beans

20 Cook's Choice

Baked French Fries
Carrots
Fresh Fruit

21 Cook's Choice

Assorted Vegetables
100% Juice Cup

2 Stuffed Crust
Pizza

Tossed Salad w/
Dressing
Steamed Broccoli
Fresh Fruit

1 Soft Chicken Taco
w/ Lettuce, Salsa &
Cheese

Steamed Brown Rice
Black Bean & Corn Salsa
Corn
Fresh Fruit

9 Homemade
Pizza

Tossed Salad w/
Dressing
Steamed Broccoli
Fresh Fruit

8 ½ Day
No Lunch

16 Assorted Pizzas

Tossed Salad w/
Dressing
Steamed Broccoli
Fresh Fruit

15 Pizza Crunchers w/
Sauce

Green Beans
Fresh Fruit

23

22 Cook's Choice

Seasoned Broccoli
Seasoned Corn

21 Cook's Choice

Assorted Vegetables
100% Juice Cup

20 Cook's Choice

Baked French Fries
Carrots
Fresh Fruit

Breakfast

\$1.70

Lunch

Elementary Schools \$2.20

Middle Schools \$2.45

High Schools \$2.70

Milk

\$0.65

Visit our website to print
an application and to
view menus.
www.nscsd.org

Summer Feeding

Roxboro Middle School will be offering free breakfast and lunch during the summer from July 5, 2017 to August 18, 2017. Visit our website for more information.

Come in for a nutritious meal. All students are welcome.

What do you get
when you cross a frog
and a popsicle?

A hopsicle!