

Sherman Newsletter

Jeffrey Pollard, Principal

June 2019

Dear Sherman Families:

We have had another great school year here at Sherman. Thanks to all of you for supporting our students' academic, behavioral, and social-emotional growth. Students have worked hard this year, made growth, made new relationships, and had new experiences. We are so proud of their growth and effort every day. Some highlights from this school year include our "Be The Nice Kid" work and presentation, our Culture Fair, Clubs, Ensembles and Concerts, and the various PTO sponsored dances and activity nights. These highlights capture some of the opportunities students participated in to learn about each other and how to work together.

It has been a great honor working with you and your children for the past two years here at Sherman. I am excited to make the move to Winslow. It is bittersweet because I will miss Sherman, the students, staff, families, and the new traditions we are establishing. Please know that I will always be a resource for you if you ever need anything. My e-mail address and phone number are staying the same.

There is no summer school this year. We hope you will continue to read with your children, have them practice math facts and real-world math problems, and get out to see and appreciate the wonderful landmarks in our community. Also, please encourage your child to stay physically fit by being active outside or inside (and putting the computer or controller down for a little bit).

Please help prevent learning loss this summer and assist your child in maintaining their skills. Here are some activities to keep your child practicing skills all summer long, while having fun:

Reading:

- Set a goal of 1000 pages (read to beginning readers). Reward at various milestones.
- Read anything! (comic books, video game manuals, graphic novels)
- Listen to reading - download stories to iPods and other mobile devices, perfect for car rides or a lazy, hot afternoon.
- Have family poetry night – memorize a poem to share. A great way to work on expression and fluency.
- Start a "book club" with friends or family. Talking about books is a great way to deepen your comprehension and understanding of texts.
- Join the Rush Henrietta Town Library summer reading program and attend their programs.
- Read a non-fiction book and become an expert on something new!
- Here are some additional ELA related links:
 - <http://www.readingrockets.org/article/get-ready-summer-ideas-teachers-share-families>

- <http://www.readingrockets.org/pdfs/edextras/57820-en.pdf>
- <http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/>
- <http://www.hpl.org/> (Henrietta Public Library)
- <https://wonderopolis.org/>
- <http://www.poemfarm.amylv.com/p/find-poem-by-topic.html?m=1>
- [NYSED & myON! Access to free digital books through September 30th, 2018](#)

Writing

- Write a postcard or letter while on vacation.
- Write a persuasive essay for something you want to do or buy this summer (trip to Seabreeze, reason why you should be able to mow the lawn, etc.)
- Publish a non-fiction book after researching a new topic.
- Invent your own comic strip. See how long you can keep it running.
- Keep a personal diary or journal.
- Write a grocery lists and/or recipes.
- Make a scavenger hunt.
- Here are some links that support writing:
 - <http://www.sharingnotebooks.amylv.com/?m=1>
 - <http://www.wordle.net/>

Math:

- Math facts – practice by using www.ixl.com or make flashcards.
- Money - collect change in a jar beginning on the first day of summer. Estimate how much you think you'll have by the end of summer. Count it daily. How much more until you meet your goal? How much will you have by the end of the week? On the last day of summer, count it, and buy yourself a prize or donate to a good cause.
- Fractions – pay attention to fractions as you bake or cook this summer. Try folding paper towels or napkins into large and small fractions, from one-half to 1/16. Use markers to label and decorate the different fractions.
- Decimals/Graphing – use a stopwatch to time yourself running, roller blading, swimming, or biking. Then try to beat your time. Be sure to keep the distance you're moving the same for each trial. Graph the results.
- Here are some other math links:
 - <http://www.mathplayground.com/thinkingblocks.html>
 - <http://www.gamequarium.org/dir/Gamequarium/Math/>
 - <https://www.zearn.org/>

Exercise:

- Walk your dog or a neighbor's dog.
- Swim across the pool or learn a new stroke.
- Design an obstacle course and time your friends.
- Plan a family Summer Olympics.

Character:

- Do a random act of kindness each day.
- Make a chore chart and stick with it!
- Make a new friend.
- Clean your bedroom without being asked.

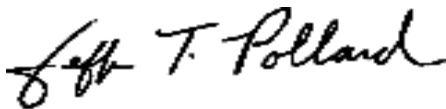
Make sure to access the “library link” page for a listing of educational websites to utilize this summer: <http://www.rhnet.org/librarylinks>

- Here are some additional technology-based link:
 - <https://rhcsd.typingagent.com>
 - <https://hourofcode.com/mchoc>
 - <https://code.org/starwars>
 - <https://hourofcode.com/us/learn>
 - [Coding for Kids: 24 Free Websites that Teach Programming](#)

As we look forward to next school year, be on the lookout for class placements and bus information that is typically sent out in mid-August timeframe.

On behalf of the Sherman staff, thank you for sharing your students with us and supporting our work. We appreciate the strong parent partnerships we have developed with all of you.

Warmly,



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Library News from Mrs. Hendel

In a few weeks, the New York State summer reading program at public libraries begins. This program includes many events and activities to engage young minds while having fun. As you begin scheduling events on the family calendar for the summer months, make sure you pencil in some days at the Henrietta, Rush, or Scottsville library to support summer reading. Dates, times and event listings are on the public library's website.

Renaissance myON[®] digital library



As part of *Summer Reading at New York Libraries*, the State Education Department and myON[®], by Renaissance[®], are partnering to bring thousands of authentic, enhanced digital books to children from birth through 12th grade and their families all around the state. Unlimited, 24/7 access to the myON digital library will be available through a single shared account login from May 1 through September 30. Children and families can read online using any web-enabled device and offline using free mobile apps.

A link to the myON digital library is on the Sherman library web page.

If you are unable to make it to a public library to provide reading material for your child, don't forget all Sherman students have access to the Sherman library's digital collection 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from any device with an internet connection. There are about 1,000 digital books to choose from, all genres and reading levels. As Mr. Pollard already mentioned in his E-News, starting June 17th all Sherman students may check out up to five library books to take home and read over the summer. These books may be returned to Sherman in September or to Roth. Happy reading!





June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Procedure for A-B-C-D Days ... We will try to note on the calendar correct A-B-C-D days. However, please be aware that only student attendance days count. So, if a snow day occurs on what was scheduled to be a "B" day...the next attendance day becomes that "B" day and then the progression begins again...C-D-A-B-C.</p>						1
2	3 B	4 C	5 D Spring Concert (Gr.4), 6:30 PM, Senior High School	6 A	7 B	8
9	10 C	11 D	12 A	13 B Principal's Coffee Hour, 8-9 AM	14 C Spring Picnic, 5-7 PM	15
16	17 D	18 A	19 B	20 C	21 D	22
23	24 A	25 B Report Cards Sent Home	26 C	27 D Moving Up Night, 6:30 PM, SHS Gym	28 A	29
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End of year newsletter from Mrs. Dickinson

Physical Exams

As spring arrives, it is a good time to take care of a few matters, including some new mandates that have been assigned to NYS schools. This will allow for a smoother transition for your child as he/she moves up to the next grade. Remember that spring and summer are very busy times for physician offices. If your child is entering grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, or 11 in September 2019, he/she will need a mandated physical exam. This has changed since last year. Your private healthcare provider is the best person to do these exams. Make your appointment early, as it can take several months to schedule exams over the busy summer. If you do not have a provider to complete the physicals, we can provide that service through the school district. Please make a copy of all certificates for your records before you submit them to the school nurse in the event a copy is misplaced.

Immunizations



Please take a moment to review your child's immunizations. There have been a number of newer immunization requirements in recent years. All new entrants, and those entering grades K through 10 in September, will need 2 Varicella (Chicken Pox) vaccines or proof of disease. Also, all students entering sixth grade who are age 11 will need the Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis) vaccine as a booster. If you are unsure about your child's need for an immunization, please feel free to call the Health Office.



Accidents

The most common cause of childhood death remains accidents. Take time to review with your children matters of safety and risk taking. Be especially mindful of water and the risks of drowning. Seat belts and bike helmets are required for your children, by law. If your children will have periods of being alone while you are at work, be sure they have an emergency plan, including an adult to call for help and try to keep unsupervised times to a minimum. Children of all ages do best when they know someone is watching over them. Another idea is to put sunscreen on your child prior to coming to school for the remainder of the school year.

End of Year



In June, you will be receiving a letter to remind you to come to the health office the last day of school to pick up any of your child's medications. Medications are unable to be stored in school over the summer. Please keep this in mind and plan accordingly as any medications not picked up by June 21st, before 1p.m. **will be disposed of June 22nd**. We appreciate your help with this. For the next school year, medications to be given in school will need new MD orders.

Reminder

NYS Department of Education Law states that The Health Office is **not** allowed to give out cough drops, chap-stick, lotion or Vaseline. Any of these items require a doctor's order. Call the Health Office for any questions.

The Health Office does supply donated clothing for students for accidents that come in various forms. Please launder and return any clothes that were used by your student, and also feel free to donate clothing. Thank-you!

Health Office Contacts

Mrs. Dickinson 359-5504

Mrs. Miller 359-5503

Attendance Line 359-5501

What's happening in the Wonderful World of Physical Education?

Where we've been...



Students are in the midst of game play for our floor hockey unit. Their stick handling skills and team play have improved immensely from the start! We are seeing evidence of knowledge of the game and passing. We are proud of the progress. *Interesting hockey fact: The earliest hockey games were played with chunks of frozen cow dung. You will be happy to know we use plastic pucks!*

All students and teachers were invited to participate in a challenge called "Jump Into January." Each school day of the challenge, more jumps were added. By the last day, the goal was to complete 100 jumping jacks in one minute. Three classes met the final challenge, with Miss Winzenried's class winning the honor of Jump Into January champs.



Where we're going...

- We will be starting a gymnastics unit in March. Many of our students have been patiently waiting for this! Students will improve strength, flexibility, balance, and coordination while they learn gymnastic skills.



Reminders...



Please ask your child to remember the proper clothing on PE days. PE is every other day. We understand that kids do sometimes forget so we have sneakers and clean socks to borrow, but of course we would rather have our students prepared when they arrive. Thank you for your help with this!



Students are expected to participate unless they have a release. Please send a note for the nurse if your child is not feeling well or is injured so that the PE teachers are informed. Thank you!

What you can do at home to promote healthy bodies and minds...

- Challenge your kids to work up to 100 jumping jacks in a minute. Join them if able!
- Encourage outdoor play. Here is a link to 20 Indoor and Outdoor Skating Rinks in and around Rochester. <https://daytrippingroc.com/ice-skating-rinks-around-rochester/>
- Love science and sports? Check this out! <https://www.nbclearn.com/science-of-nhl-hockey>
- Ask your child to teach you the warm up routine done each PE class.

SUMMER MEALS! ALL KIDS EAT FREE!

No paperwork necessary. Must be 18 or under for free meals.

**FOR BREAKFAST,
CHOOSE AT LEAST
3 ITEMS
TOTAL**

**FOR LUNCH,
CHOOSE AT LEAST
3 ITEMS
TOTAL
FROM AT LEAST 3
DIFFERENT GROUPS**

Monday - Friday

Breakfast - 8:30 am - 11:30 am

Lunch - 11:30am - 1:00pm

Family Members are invited!

Adults (over 18):

\$2.10 Breakfast, \$4.40 Lunch

Summer Feeding Site Address:

**Sherman Elementary School
50 Authors Ave
Henrietta NY 14467**

**We're here to serve you and
your family delicious breakfast
and lunch all summer long!
Convenient, healthy, FREE meals
every summer weekday from
July 8 through August 16!**

**EAT BETTER.
PLAY HARDER.
LIVE HEALTHIER.
LEARN EASIER.**

WELLNESS IS A WAY OF LIFE!

Please call:

585-359-5388 for more info.

Rush-Henrietta CSD Food Services Summer Feeding Program

**PLEASE ASK IF YOU'RE NOT SURE,
AND PLEASE ENJOY YOUR MEAL!**

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