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## Cubby Corner

- ◆ 9/16 - Plattekill Day @ Felton Park
- ◆ 9/19 - PTA Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ 9/20 - BOE Meeting @ High School @ 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ 9/21 - Open House Grades 4 - 6 @ 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ 9/25 - School Closed
- ◆ 9/28 - Open House Grades Pre-K - 3 @ 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ 9/28 - PTA Mum Fundraiser Pickup: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone has had some relaxing time, family time, and vacation time! We are ready for a great year! We are excited to come back and welcome our students. Plattekill has been busy with the Capital Project which includes updated roofing, air conditioning in the cafeteria and gym, lobby, and main office.

**Please note, on the first day of school your child will come home with the Student Handbook and Blue Folder. Please read through the Student Handbook. In the folder you will find papers that need to be completed. You will find the Free and Reduced Form. This must be completed EACH year. Please send them in as soon as possible, so we have the most up-to-date information.**

Breakfast will cost \$1.00 and Lunch will cost \$2.20. You MUST complete the Free and Reduced form for eligibility.

Open communication is key with parents and guardians to ensure your child(ren) are successful this school year. There are a lot of ways to get in touch with us:

- ⇒ Phone call— #845-895-7250
- ⇒ Email (firstinitiallastname@wallkillcsd.k12.ny.us)
- ⇒ Cubby Central Plattekill Elementary—Facebook page—send a private message
- ⇒ See Saw and/or Schoology
- ⇒ Send a note
- ⇒ Reply to a School Messenger email (*make sure your email & cell are current*)

Please reach out at anytime. We are here for you.

~ Mrs. Hasbrouck



## Planners and Homework Folders (Please check daily)

Please keep your eye out for our monthly newsletter, the **Plattekill Panther Press**. It will go home on or before the first of the month. Weekly, on Fridays, you will see the **Plattekill Pulse** for updates (on pink paper). Please note Cubby Corner for a listing of important dates. Both the Plattekill Panther Press and Plattekill Pulse are updated on our website. Please mark your calendars for **Open House**:

**Thursday, September 21, 2023 – Grades 4 - 6 @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, September 28, 2023 – Grades Pre-K - 3 @ 6:30 p.m.**

Please look for this blue folder for all grades (Pre-K - 6). Students in grades 3 - 6 will also receive a planner.

**New free/reduced lunch applications were mailed home late August and must be submitted by September 30th for the school year. The current form expires October 20, 2023. These must be completed yearly.**





## Drop Off/Bus News & Cell Phone Policies



If your child takes the bus, please have them take the bus on the first day. This will help your child and our bus drivers get used to the bus routine. For our returning students, **we need an updated bus note for the 2023-2024 school year.** If your child is getting picked up/dropped off at a location other than your home, please write a note and include the following:

- Name of daycare within WCSD
- Address
- Phone number

**Any time your information changes we need this in writing as well.** Thank you for your cooperation to ensure we get your child home safely. Just a reminder for the first week of school our busses may arrive a bit later than usual to the bus stops. We are all getting used to the new routine.

Busses arrive around 8:30 a.m. at the school. The school day begins at 9:00 a.m. For safety reasons, please do not drop off students prior to 8:30 a.m. There will not be any supervision available prior to that time. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Just a friendly reminder...school district policy states that cell phones should not be in school. However, we understand this is how you may communicate with your child before or after school. Therefore, the cell phone should be powered off and put away during the school day and on busses.

**All school doors will be locked. Please have a photo ID ready. We have cameras throughout the building in the hallways and outside facing the school property. All windows have a protective film on it.**

**Please note afternoon pick up will be in the gym. All grades will be dismissed at 2:50 p.m.**

## September PTA News

Welcome back as we get ready to kick off another paw-some school year! We hope you and your family enjoyed the summer break, and found some time to rest and relax. It was wonderful meeting our new Pre-K & Kindergarten families at their orientations, and we are eager to see our returning families at Open House later this month. All are invited and encouraged to attend our first general PTA meeting on Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

PTA has been hard at work planning some fun and exciting events! Fall Festival, Pajama Bingo, Book Fairs and a winter craft night are just a few of the many events and activities for the 2023-2024 school year. We hope our Plattekill families continue to support the work of our PTA. If you can volunteer some time, we'd love to have your help. If not, there are many ways you can show your support – become a member, send in a donation for an event, or show off your school pride with spirit wear.

Be on the lookout for your PTA welcome packet coming home in your child's blue folder the week of September 11th. It includes valuable information about upcoming events/activities, as well as a 2023-2024 membership form. Annual membership dues are \$8 and help support our PTA and give you free admission to this year's family events.

### 2023-2024 PTA Executive Committee:

Melissa Hill, President  
Colleen Hedrick, Vice President  
Tara Latorre, Treasurer  
Rosanne Hedrick, Secretary  
Ashley Nordahl, Anna Croce & Jennifer Curless, Fundraising

## Join the PTA!



Feel free to contact us anytime at [plattekillpta@gmail.com](mailto:plattekillpta@gmail.com). We hope everyone has a wonderful school year!

Attention Facebook & Instagram Users: Plattekill PTA uses social media to communicate important information about upcoming events and activities. Be sure to “like” CUBBY CENTRAL on Facebook or @plattekillpta on Instagram to stay connected.