

HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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2023 Homecoming

**King-Brayden Sakowsky and
Queen-Aubree Eberly-Robinson**



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Letter from the superintendent

Harpursville School Community:

As we stand on the cusp of Thanksgiving, it's remarkable to reflect on how swiftly time has passed since we began another school year. I would like to extend my sincere wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving to each and every one of you. May your holiday be filled with celebration, cherished traditions, and precious moments spent with those who hold a special place in your hearts.

At our school, we are gearing up to honor this holiday season in our unique way. Staying true to tradition, the Student Council and National Honor Society students will once again serve the members of the Senior Center of Eastern Broome, along with our dedicated faculty and staff, during our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. This event is a time-honored tradition that brings our community together.

Shifting our focus from the upcoming vacation, I'd like to highlight some of our Homecoming celebrations this year. The homecoming was particularly special as we reintroduced the Homecoming parade, marking its return after a few years of absence. We are thrilled to revive this cherished tradition and bring our community together to celebrate our school spirit. The number of floats and students who participated was incredible. Additionally, I want to recognize the efforts of our alumni who participated in the parade with creative floats that were impressive.

On the sports front, our teams had an action-packed fall season. We are looking forward to seeing how teams perform

in postseason play. We encourage you to come out and show your support at our sporting events as our student-athletes showcase their dedication and skills on the field. Moreover, we have an exciting lineup of dances and gatherings planned throughout the year to foster connections, celebrate achievements, and create lasting memories. Keep an eye on our school calendar for upcoming dance events that you won't want to miss.



Heath Georgia,
Superintendent

As we approach the holiday season, I extend warm wishes to each and every one of you. May your Thanksgiving be filled with love, laughter, and treasured moments with your family, friends, and all those who hold a special place in your heart. I, too, am profoundly thankful for the privilege of serving this incredible community.

With gratitude and best regards,

Heath Georgia
Superintendent of Schools

WHIPPING UP SOME FUN!

Kindergarten students in Ms. Grassi's class got to make whipped cream as part of Harpursville's "agriculture in the classroom" program. Students most definitely had a great time making and eating their yummy creations!





High School Homecoming Court



Pictured(L-R) Matt Sanchez, Melissa Cantone, Liam Quick, King-Brayden Sakowsky, Queen-Aubree Eberly-Robinson, Kylee Noyes, Madison Miller, Brendan Pike

District communication guidelines

Frequently, parents and other community members request help in knowing the best way to communicate with the school. The chart below will serve as a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the prescribed order, you can be assured that your questions will be answered.

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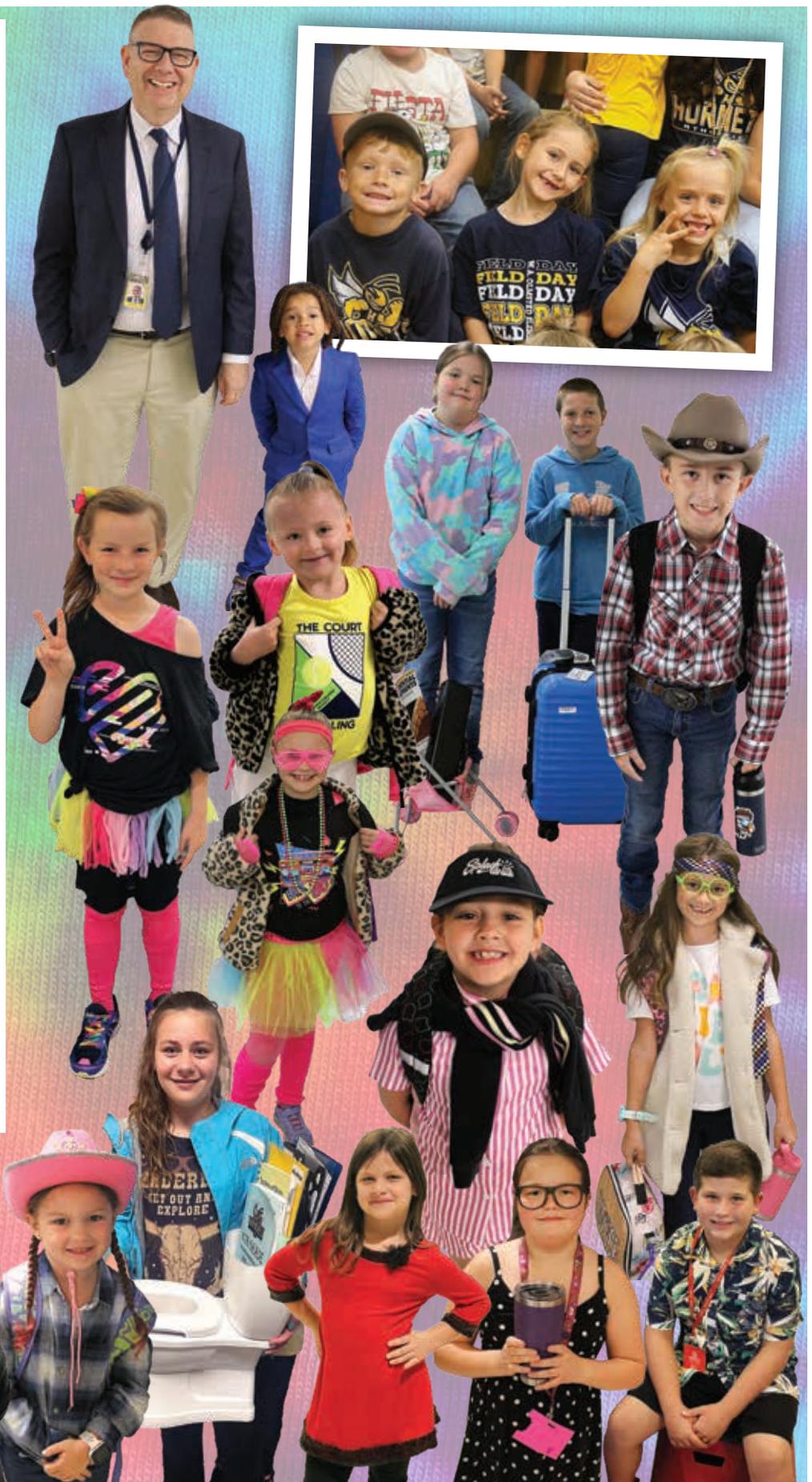
Spirit week fun at WAO Elementary!

The W. A. Olmsted Elementary School student council hosted a spirit week competition during the week before the homecoming game to get as many students involved as possible in the homecoming fun.

Students brought wacky items for “anything but a backpack day”, where one student even brought a toilet to use in place of a backpack! We had lots of ‘80s and ‘90s-dressed students for “decades day”, students dressed as country students beat out the country club students on “country vs. country club day”, and students dressed as their favorite teachers for “teacher/ student switch day”! On the Friday before homecoming, students wore blue and gold and were the cutest blue and gold hornets you ever saw!

After totaling all of the numbers from pre-kindergarten to sixth grade, the third and fourth graders took home the win from Spirit Week. They got to enjoy extra recess as their prize!

At the pep rally on Friday, September 29th, all of the civic and town fall athletes were recognized (with a little help from the high school athletes), and some fun games were played. Thank you to the WAO student council members for planning a great week of fun. Go Hornets!





Oobleck fun!

Seventh and eighth grade students in Mr. Dolphins science class got to make Oobleck recently. Oobleck is a non-Newtonian fluid in science enrichment and behaves like both a solid and a liquid due to its unique characteristics. Students had a great time both making and playing with the Oobleck.



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- School Psychologist
- School Counselor (WAO Elementary)
- Substitute Teachers





WAO Elementary's homecoming parade float was super sweet!

All students from pre-kindergarten to sixth grade had a hand in creating a piece of our WAO 'Café Bakery' homecoming parade float.

We started homecoming week with each student painting their hand on the banner and aligning the wall with the gym. Then, students returned to the art classroom to complete a project that would be a part of the "WAO Café Bakery" parade float. Pre-k and first grade students created puffy paint pies (chocolate, lemon meringue, and blueberry) for the float. Second-grade students made strawberry-rhubarb puffy paint pies. Kindergarten students got to

create noodle strings, while third and fourth grade students made root beer floats using cut paper towel rolls, brown and white paint, cotton balls, and straws to top them off. Our fifth-grade students made caramel and candy apples using cut Styrofoam balls, popsicle sticks, paint, and even glitter. The sixth graders got to help with the banners as they were engaged with an upcoming project (stay tuned!).

The parade float turned out to be beautiful. All of the students were proud of their hard work, and rightfully so. All in all, WAO elementary students had a blast during homecoming week!





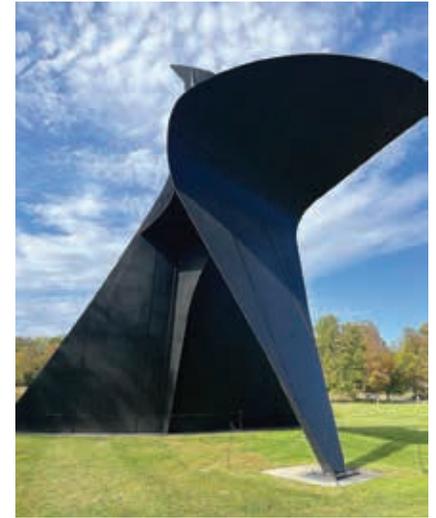
Artists are inspired by a field trip to Storm King Art Center

Storm King Art Center is a 500-acre outdoor sculpture museum located in the Hudson Valley, right outside the town of New Windsor, New York. Visitors can experience large scale sculptures and site-specific works under the open sky. The center is dedicated to stewarding the land, maintaining a space for visionary artists, and carefully curating their exhibits to assist visitors with exploring their relationship with the natural world.

The sculpture class was able to explore works from many well-known sculptors, including Henry Moore and Louise Nevelson, who's artworks were only previously known from flat images on the internet or in a book. They were able to have a rich dialogue about the



Sculpture students Elizabeth Ives, Sam Wright, and Wyatt Murphy.



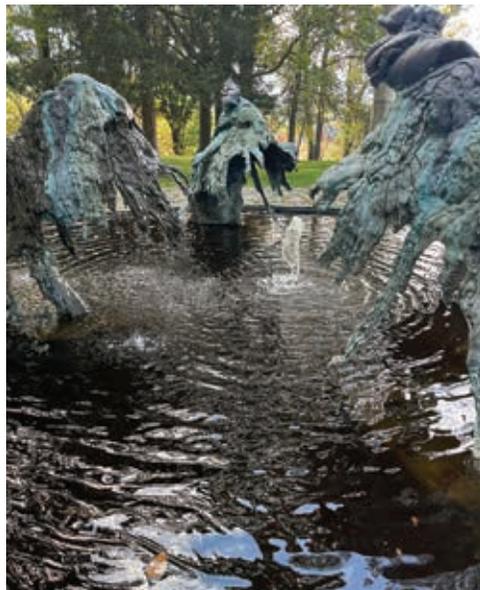
about incorporating more sensory experiences into their own artforms. Questions came up about how to design artforms that more fully engage the maker and the viewer, and how can art merge the line between the audience and the creator. There were ideas about how to work with form and incorporate sound, movement, or smell into work. The materiality, technical skills and craftsmanship of the sculptures were also ongoing topics for inquiry.

The day was perfect, with fall foliage providing a backdrop for the works of earth, steel, copper, stone, and wood, and most importantly, engaged students learning in the field! We would like to thank the transportation department, the cafeteria staff, and Mrs. Conrow for making this memorable outing possible for us. Be on the lookout around campus for inspiring and engaging three dimensional artworks!



sculptures, experiencing the works for themselves and often in a manner that was the artist's intention. Student artists were able to draw inspiration from what they were able to see firsthand.

Some of the concepts that emerged from the visit were most notably





A week of Homecoming Fun!

Homecoming Day was held on Oct. 30th. We started off the week with our Spirit Days and ended the week with our Homecoming Day festivities. Our Spirit Days for the week were as follows: Monday-Anything but a Backpack, Tuesday-Switch with a Teacher Day, Wednesday-Decade Day, Thursday-Country Club vs Country and Friday-Hornet Spirit. On Friday, we held our annual Pep Rally where all our fall athletes were recognized, students played competitive games, our

Homecoming Court was announced, and we had our spirit competition. Congratulations to our seniors for winning both the gym decorating and spirit competition. Homecoming Day activities included senior breakfast, a parade, games for kids to play, a varsity football game, half-time show, and other vendors. Homecoming ended with our middle and high school dances where we crowned our Homecoming King, Queen, Duke, and Duchess. Congratulations to our

King- Brayden Sakowsky, Queen- Aubree Eberly-Robinson, Duke-Easton Bagg, and Duchess-Reina Kark. A great time was had by all. Thank you to all who participated, our chaperones, maintenance, custodial, administration, class advisors, coaches, club advisors, Vision Federal Credit Union (Lisa), our DJ-Mrs. Chantry and NAHS for doing the dance concession stand and our youth league.



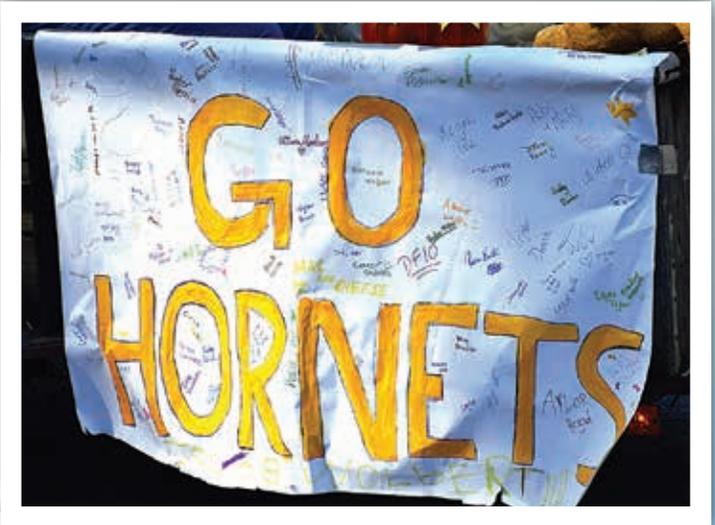
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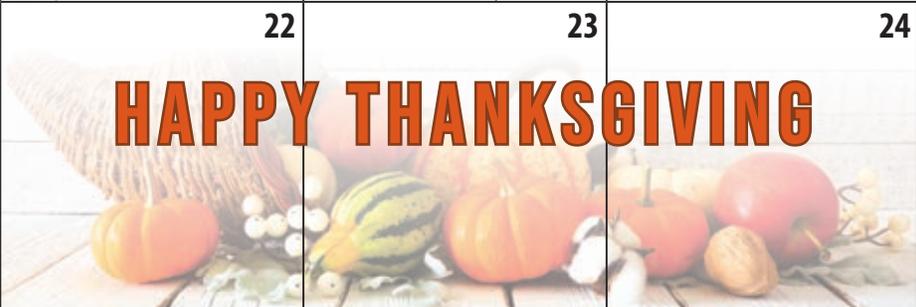
Everybody loves a parade!





November 2023 Menu



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 <i>Frudel Juice/Fruit</i> Boneless Wings Cornbread Poppers Maple Brussel Sprouts Baby Carrots Orange Milk (Popcorn Chicken Salad)	2 <i>Fr. Toast Sticks Fruit</i> NY Baked Ziti w/NY Meatballs Garlic Breadstick NY Apple Kale Salad NY Juice NY Apple Slices Milk	3 <i>Breakfast Break WAO Hornet Muffin MS/HS</i> Wild Mike's Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Fruit Milk
6 <i>Mini Cinni's Juice</i> Popcorn Chicken w/roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots NY Apple Milk	7 <i>Brk. Bread Slice Fruit</i> NY Chicken Mac & Cheese Garlic Breadstick Broccoli Juice NY Apple Slices	8 <i>Bagel Brk. Pizza Juice</i> French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Potato Tots Veggie Cup Orange Milk (SW Chicken Salad)	9 <i>Snack'n Waffle WAO Hornet Muffin MS/HS</i> Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Fruit Milk	10  Veterans Day observed
13 <i>Mini Bagels WAO Brk Chicken Sand HS</i> Cheeseburger w/lettuce & tomato Sw. Potato Fries Green Beans NY Apple Milk	14 <i>Cinnamon Roll Fruit</i> Taco's w/toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Juice Milk	15 <i>Cereal/Juice WAO Brk. Pizza MS/HS</i> Spiedie Sub Rst. Potatoes Buffalo Cauliflower Veggie Cup Banana Milk (Popcorn Chicken Salad)	16 <i>Fr. Toast Sticks Fruit</i> Sr Citizen & Staff Luncheon Turkey Gravy w/mashed potatoes Corn Stuffing NY Juice Peaches NY Blueberry Bar	17 <i>Hornet Muffin ALL</i> Homemade Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Fruit Milk
20 <i>Frudel Juice</i> Chicken Nuggets Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots NY Apple Milk	21 <i>Brk. Bread Slice Fruit</i> Nardone Cheese Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Juice Fruit Milk	HAPPY THANKSGIVING 		
27 <i>Mini Pancakes Juice</i> Chicken Patty on a roll Sw. Potato Fries Gl. Carrots NY Apple Milk	28 <i>Cinnamon Roll Fruit</i> Walking Taco w/toppings Chilled Fruit Juice Milk	29 <i>Brk. Pizza Juice</i> Corn Dog w/Mac & Cheese Veggie Cup Orange Milk (SW Chicken Salad)	30 <i>Fr. Toast Sticks Fruit</i> Wild Mike's Pizza Bites w/ side of pasta Cucumbers Fruit NY Juice Milk	
	MEALS ARE FREE TO ALL STUDENTS MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE	All meals served w/1% or less milk & juice as stated on the menu	Daily Options: PB&J w/string cheese Turkey & Cheese Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Yogurt w/NY string cheese & NY Homemade Granola WAO: Wednesday is Salad option MS/HS: Daily Salad option	



A Fall Cabin in the Woods

5th grade students work with a variety of tools to create depth, texture, and color within their artwork.



The Harpursville Jazz Band Returns!

The Harpursville Jazz Band had their first rehearsal on Tuesday, Oct. 17th. This is the first Harpursville Jazz Band in many years and serves as another musical opportunity for the students.

Mr. Campanella, Jr./Sr. High School Instrumental Music

Teacher and Jazz Band Director, is very proud of the students for their bravery to try something new and their devotion to the music program at Harpursville.

Stay tuned for details on upcoming jazz band concerts. We hope to see you there!





A trip back in time!

The Colesville History students took a trip back in time to visit the local Doraville Schoolhouse last month! Beth and Darryl Klutts of the Old Ononquaga Historical Society were their captains and showed them around.

While there, the students learned about

the education system and the daily room that took place in a one room school. All were able to try their hand at writing with a quill and ink which they found to be quite difficult! Some students even tried on the dunce cap and rang the schoolhouse teacher's bell.

On a special note, students got to learn about the relocation of the Doraville Schoolhouse that took place 30 years ago. The students will be partaking in a celebration of the schoolhouse in late October. All had a great time visiting the Doraville Schoolhouse!





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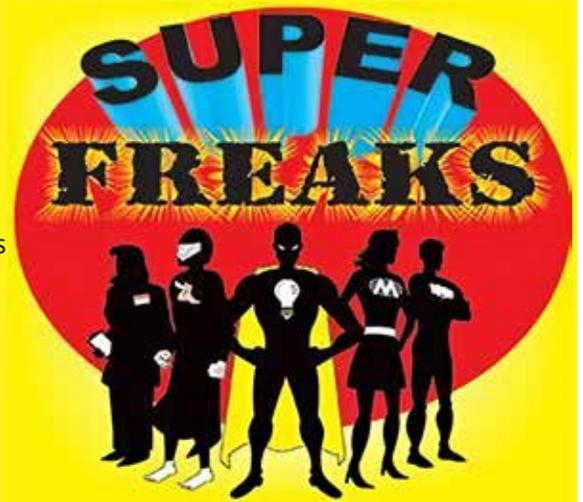
Heath Georgia

Revised Date from calendar

**Join us Dec. 1st and Dec. 2nd to see the play
 "Superfreaks" by Scott Haan!**

The In-Motion Arts Guild of Harpursville proudly presents "Superfreaks" by Scott Haan. This comedy/mystery is a hilarious play in two acts and will be performed on Dec. 1st and Dec. 2nd in the Harpursville High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. both nights. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and seniors.

Lois Lancaster is a big-city journalist writing about the current state of mental health facilities. Her research takes her to a hospital populated with a unique group of quirky inmates who imagine they are crime-fighting superheroes. Speed Freak thinks he can run at incredible speeds, while Dim Bulb, the most enthusiastic person on the face of the earth, thinks he has the ability to turn off lights with his brain. Mental thinks she can read minds, despite being prone to sudden outbursts of bizarre non-sequiturs. Kevin, much less quirky and flamboyant than the other inmates, doesn't embarrass himself with a ridiculous code name or costume—at least not initially. Dr. Gail Eisner appears to be a kindly hospital administrator, a steady influence needed to effectively run a madhouse like this one. At first, Lois finds their elaborate superhero fantasies to be an entertaining diversion, the wild delusions of unstable minds, until something unusual happens that makes her wonder...



**Come join the fun on December 1st and 2nd.
 We look forward to seeing you there!**

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