



November 8, 2023

Veterans Day Observance - 11/10 - No School

There will be no classes on Friday, November 10 in honor of Veterans Day.

At AMS we encourage all of our students to find a way to thank a veteran that they know on Veterans Day weekend and remember the purpose of the national holiday in honoring those who have served, or are currently serving, our country.

Thank you.



Parent-Teacher Conferences - 11/14 - Half Day

On Tuesday, November 14, AMS students will be dismissed at 10:55am to allow staff to participate in parent-teacher conferences.

At the middle school level parent teacher conferences are scheduled for students at the request of the team of teachers or by the request of a parent. If you feel that you or your child would benefit from a parent conference please reach out to the AMS Counseling Center at 518-674-7107. Thank you.

PICTURE DAY IS COMING!

AMS Picture days are November 16 & 17 during PE classes.

Pre-order today at www.mylifetouch.com with picture ID code EVT XVJD49

[Click here](#) for a digital copy of the order form.



IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE NURSE

NYS mandated vision/hearing and scoliosis screenings will begin next week for grade 7 students and students who are new entrants this year.

AVERILL PARK EDUCATION FOUNDATION GALA EVENT - 11/17/23



The Averill Park Education Foundation invites you to their 17th Annual Gala on Friday, November 17th at Old Daley on Crooked Lake. The Gala is the largest fundraising event of the year for the Ed Foundation and with the money raised at the event, is able to support the school district through grants awarded throughout the year. To

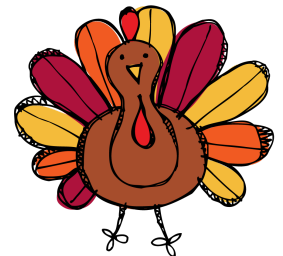
learn more about how the Ed Foundation is helping and for registration information, please [read this letter](#) and [visit their website](#).

SAND LAKE KIWANIS - HOLIDAY FOOD AND TOY DISTRIBUTION

The Sand Lake Kiwanis Club is once again supporting families in need for the holiday season. Please see this [informational flyer](#). Hard copies of the flyer and form are available in the AMS Counseling Center. Please contact your child's counselor if you have any questions about this program. Thank you.



NOVEMBER APO NEWS



Here's what is coming up for the month of NOVEMBER!



We are extending our due date for [pie orders](#)!!!

Let us help you get yummy pies for your Thanksgiving get togethers (and help raise funds for AMS activities)!!!!

Pie sales are due by Monday, Nov 13th. Pickups will be Tuesday, Nov 21st from 2:30-6:00 in the AMS Music Hall (across from the main office). We thank you in advance for your generosity!!!!

Please complete the [digital order form](#)

GRADE 8 ARC BABYSITTING/CPR COURSE

There is still time left to register for the ARC Babysitting/CPR class for November 18th (8th Graders only). Register today with the form below!

[ARC Babysitting Course - Grade 8 Only](#)



“We are Thankful For our Teachers” - If you are interested in sending in a little something to help restock the faculty room to say thank you to the staff of AMS, [please sign up here!](#)



HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS - The 2023 Holiday Happenings will be on Thursday, November 30th, from 2:30-4:30pm, right after school! At this event we get into the holiday season with gusto by decorating the cafeteria, making holiday crafts, and writing letters to Santa to help Make-A-Wish! Tickets are \$10. There will be crafts, pizza, hot cocoa, treats, music, and more! Come join the fun! [Sign up here](#) to help or donate items that will be needed! Hope to see you there!



The AMS Winter Luau will be on February 7th from 2:30-4:30. We will be playing beach ball volleyball, making crafts, playing games and of course LIMBO!!!! Sign ups will be coming out closer to the event!



AMS Student Council is once again collecting toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots campaign. **We are collecting new, unwrapped toys from now until December 11th** near each science office as well as in the vestibule at the main entrance.

The Capital District is the #3 toy collection point in the entire US! To date, the Marines have distributed 652 million toys to over 291 million deserving children. Help put a smile on a child's

face this holiday season. We thank you in advance for your support.

FROM THE LIBRARY

EMAGAZINES THROUGH SORA

Your child has access to always available digital magazines! You can find magazines for every subject in the Sora app, which your child may already be using for ebooks and audiobooks. The collection includes current issues and back issues for education and entertainment today. The best part? Each issue can be borrowed by as many people at a time as needed, with no waiting.



Check out the collection [HERE!](#)

NEW FOR NOVEMBER - SPECIAL SORA COLLECTIONS

[Native American Heritage Month](#)

Celebrate the traditions, languages, and stories of Native American, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, and Island communities.

['Gobble' up a Good Book](#)

Celebrate Thanksgiving, food, and gratitude!

[November is Picture Book Month](#)

Fall is the perfect time to cozy up with your favorite people and enjoy new and old picture book favorites.

CHROMEBOOK PREPAREDNESS

If your child forgets their Chromebook or arrives at school with its battery dead, three times in one quarter, they will have lunch detention. Having their Chromebook in school, charged and ready to go is part of their job as a student. Additionally we have a very limited number of loaner Chromebooks that need to be utilized by students who may be experiencing a technical issue. Please encourage your child to charge it and bring it to school as part of their after school routine. Thank you.



FROM THE NORTH GREENBUSH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Tween Book Club: Our Tween Book club will meet again on Saturday, November 18th at 12:30 in the Children's Room to discuss the newest book in the Dork Diaries series Tales from a Not So Posh Paris Adventure by Rachel Russell. Books are available at the circulation desk. Our Tween Book Club meetings include book discussion, a related craft and snacks. All kids ages 10-13 are welcome!

Lego Club: Calling all builders! Join us for LEGO Club on Monday, November 20th from 5:30 to 6:30 in the Children's Room! You bring the imagination, we supply the LEGO!.