



Ripley Central School

"Home of the Eagles"

Learn today. Lead tomorrow!

3/1/24

Dear RCS Families,

We experienced a delightful Read Across America Day! The festivities kicked off with a scrumptious breakfast featuring Green Eggs and Ham. Adventurous students embraced the unique culinary offering, and to our surprise, some even discovered a newfound liking for this Dr. Seuss-inspired dish!

Adding to the literary excitement, students engaged in two DEAR Drills throughout the day. For those unfamiliar, DEAR stands for 'Drop Everything And Read.' At two designated times, the entire school collectively paused their activities to immerse themselves in the joy of reading. The enthusiasm was palpable, creating an engaging and immersive experience for all participants.

Furthermore, we took a moment to acknowledge and celebrate students who diligently completed their reading homework for the month of February, reinforcing the importance of consistent reading habits. Overall, it was a wonderful day that celebrated the joys of reading!

Be sure to check out the grand opening celebration of the Student Art Show, hosted by the Lake Shore Center of the Arts in Westfield, scheduled for this Friday, March 1st, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The Student Art Show is a vibrant exhibition situated on the top floor of the Westfield Presbyterian Church on Portage Street, conveniently across from the Patterson Library. Featuring artistic expressions from every Ripley student spanning grades 1 through 6, the showcase proudly highlights at least one piece from each participant. Notably, this event extends beyond Ripley, encompassing captivating artwork contributed by students from Westfield and Chautauqua Lake. It promises to be an engaging and inspiring gathering where creativity takes center stage. Following the opening, the curated artwork will grace the gallery throughout the entire month of March, offering an extended opportunity for art enthusiasts and the community to appreciate the diverse talents on display.

Students and staff also kicked off the Kid's Heart Challenge during an afternoon school-wide assembly. Tara Franklin visited us and shared how students will be jumping rope and raising funds for the American Heart Association. We also kicked off the Principal's Heart Hero Challenge. All students are asked to download the Kid's Heart Challenge App to take the challenge of moving more, being kind, or both. If 50% of our students take the challenge, the school will receive a \$500 gift from the American Red Cross. Thank you for supporting this cause once again this year.

We had a wonderful first week back. Have a wonderful weekend and we'll see you on Monday!

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Upcoming Events

Friday, March 1

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Community Art Show
(Lake Shore Center for the Arts)

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Monday, March 4

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Wrestling Practice 4:30 pm

Maker Faire ASP 5:30 pm

Tuesday, March 5

Maker Faire ASP 4:30 pm

Volleyball Practice 4:30 pm

Ski Club

Wednesday, March 6

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Wrestling Practice 4:30 pm

Thursday, March 7

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Volleyball Practice 4:30 pm

Friday, March 8

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Saturday, March 9

WNY Maker Faire 10 am

Lake Shore HS

Monday, March 11

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Wrestling Practice 4:30 pm

Tuesday, March 12

Volleyball Practice 4:30 pm

Wednesday, March 13

Musical Practice 4:30 pm

Wrestling Practice 4:30 pm

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." ~Dr. Seuss