

November “Did you know?”

Hartland High School

Did you know... that Hartland High school is offering SAT Prep sessions starting in November? Mrs. Trista Erickson (English teacher) and Mrs. Heather Kuhlman (math teacher) have set Friday seminar sessions this fall to meet with juniors to prepare them for both the reading, writing, and math sections in preparation for the April SAT. Content, test-taking skills, and answering techniques will all be highlighted in the sessions that will last about 20 minutes per week. All juniors are required to take the SAT, and the more practice, the better!

Hartland Middle School

Did you know that Hartland Middle School seventh grade students learn how to target shoot with a bow during science class? Science teacher Rob Jellison engages students in hands-on learning to teach physical and biological concepts such as kinetic and potential energy with a real-life example and situation. All middle school students participate in a 2-day lesson that helps them connect their learning to real world applications through active participation. Thank you to the Hartland Youth Outdoors Club and the Department of Natural Resources for providing the archery equipment and targets to make this cool science lesson possible!

Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that Farms fifth grade students are participating in The Liv Ready Program? The Liv Ready program, that utilizes the STEP program (Student Tools for Emergency Planning), is designed to help students recognize and react appropriately to dangerous situations. The program uses basic life-saving skills to educate fifth-graders on the importance of preparing for emergencies. It is a relatively new program to our area, and the goal is to reach as many fifth graders as possible. We feel that exposing the students to this training will help them be prepared in case of an emergency. All participants will receive a “go-kit” that is supplied by the State at no cost to parents or the district. Thank you to John VanGoethem and Brian Morrison for organizing this awesome opportunity for our fifth grade students!

Creekside Elementary School

Did you know that Creekside Elementary has a Character Education Committee? This committee is made up of Creekside staff that volunteer their time to create and expand on Social Emotional Learning programs. They build from the valuable sessions presented to students from Sensei Sam. Creekside also uses ideas from 7 Habits which are reinforced in classrooms and during Media time. We are working hard to meet the social and emotional needs of all students and teaching them how to be productive, good citizens in the future.

Lakes Elementary School

Did you know that Lakes Elementary students have connected with the senior citizens in our community in several ways? For example, Mrs. Maurin’s kindergarten students, with the help of fourth graders in our Kindness Club, made turkey placemats for the seniors at Village Manor in Hartland. Many of our Kindness Club students, under the supervision of Mrs. Leegraven (social worker) and Dr. Johnson (school psychologist), visited the seniors at Village Manor on Saturday, November 16th, to meet them and hand out the placemats. The seniors were so appreciative of our students! Our 4th grade students at Lakes write to pen pals at the Hartland Senior Center about once a month. This gives our students an opportunity to reach out and learn about our local seniors. When our pen pals write back, our fourth graders are so excited! At the end of the year, we’ll have several seniors come to Lakes to meet their pen pals during our fourth grade vs. staff soccer game and picnic. Many of our former fourth graders still write their pen pals after they move on to Farms!



Round Elementary School

Did you know that Round had several dads sign up for the Watch DOGS program in November? These dad's will be spending 40 days supporting and mentoring Round students. Each dad is given a Watch DOG uniform, orientation, daily schedule and sticker for their coat upon arrival. Their first duty of the day is greeting students in the "Kiss-and-Go" lane. Next, they support breakfast students and tour the hallway to help students get to class on time. These dads go to their child's classroom to support learning. In addition, they spend time on the playground to support "good sportsmanship" and non-contact sports. Finally, they end their day by taking a survey to help ensure the best experience for students, dads, and staff. We have had great success so far!

Village Elementary

Did you know that Village Elementary is supporting veterans this holiday season? Kirstie Ross, fourth grade teacher at Village, partners yearly with VFW Auxiliary 4357 to provide care packages to troops deployed overseas. This year, Village decided to kick it up a notch and took our veteran collection school-wide. Students in each grade-level were tasked with bringing in items that will be distributed to veteran's both overseas and stateside. Our students will supply holiday stockings to vets at Ann Arbor VA Hospital as well as notes and well-wishes to those stationed around the world. In celebration of Veteran's Day and to help drum up activity around our veteran's collection, the Honor Guard from VFW Auxiliary 4357 came to Village to demonstrate a flag folding ceremony. This assembly was moving in its simplicity, and helped our students understand what it means to be a veteran and why we should respect our flag.



Community Education

Did you know Preschool Registration for the 2020-21 school year starts on December 9th? Please help us share the word if you know of anyone who wants to give their preschool age child the best start in their educational journey.

Did you know we were fortunate to have Literacy Coach, Monique Alberts lead our Preschool teacher's Professional Development day on Thursday, November 14th? Conversation regarding the State of Michigan Literacy standards for preschoolers included strategies that work for this developmental age group.

Did you know that one of our partners, Sanchin Ryu, is offering a women's Self-Defense class for FREE on Saturday, February 22 from 10:00am-12:00pm? Yes, for free, with no strings attached - nothing to buy! This program is an active study of personal protection. They have designed street-wise techniques so that size, strength, age or athletic ability are not factors in defending one's self. Learn to act on stressful situations rather than being controlled by them in a fun, go at your own pace environment. Please pre-register by calling Hartland Community Education at (810) 626-2150.

Senior Activity Center

Did you know that the Hartland Senior Activity Center (HSAC), with your help, collected over 1,650 pairs of shoes for our fundraiser? Thank you for your support!

Did you know the HSAC has over 1,350 paid members and many more guests? If you know of someone who needs help with Medicare enrollment, we can help! If you know someone who needs a ride to an appointment or to the grocery store, we can help! If you know someone who can benefit from moving more, laughing more, and having fun, WE CAN HELP!