

# Primary Education Center

## JUNE 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Day 2	<b>4</b> Kindergarten Screening by Appointment (Community Resource Center) Day 3	<b>5</b> Outdoor concert— IEC Bus Loop Gr. 3-6 @ 6:00pm and 7:30pm Day 4	<b>6</b> Niagara Power Baseball Game 9:15am- 1:30pm Day 1	<b>7</b> Day 2	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Day 3	<b>11</b> Day 4	<b>12</b> Pre-K registration @ 9:30-11 am and 1:00-2:30pm in (PEC small gym)  Butterfly Release Ceremony Gr. 2 & 3 11:30am & 2:00pm Day 1	<b>13</b> PEC Celebration of Music 9:30—K 10:30—Gr. 1/MA 2:00—Gr 2 Day 2	<b>14</b> PEC/IEC Flag Day Celebration at 2:30pm Day 3	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b> Day 4	<b>18</b> Board of Education Meeting at 6:00pm (CRC- Board Room) Day 1	<b>19</b> Day 2	<b>20</b> Multi-Age 3rd Grade Graduation at 10:00am Day 3	<b>21</b> PEC and IEC Field Day Day 4	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b>  <b>30</b>	<b>24</b> Last Day For Students Report Cards Go Home Day 1	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>



## A Message from Mrs. Larson, Principal

We have steam rolled a successful year at the PEC. Our students have learned how to lead and serve their community as they explore the 7 Habits of Happy Students. In our new S.T.E.A.M. lab, students were empowered to bring reality into the classroom across all subjects. They have worked proactively to become better readers, writers and problem-solvers.

Please continue to use the language of the *Seven Habits* this summer with your children to continue to build their confidence as young leaders. Nurture authentic learning. Your backyard is full of science experiments. Children are empowered to engage in the writing process when they become photo journalists or aspiring scientists. The most important plan is to make reading a part of your summer routine. Help children put first things first by reading with and to your children every day.

Join the Elementary **Scholastic Reading Challenge**. Our Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is a free online reading program that invites students to log their reading minutes all summer.

The goal is for the students in our schools to **read the most minutes possible** in an effort to earn the title, “Best in State.” As students log their reading minutes throughout the summer, they will earn digital rewards and weekly challenges. In addition, students who participate during the summer program will have an opportunity to celebrate their reading success in the fall.

The Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is designed to help students turn the “summer slide” - the learning loss which can occur over the summer months—into a “summer leap” by discovering the joy and magic of reading for fun.

The fun begins on Saturday, June 1, 2019, and ends on Friday, September 6, 2019! Children can begin logging their minutes now by scanning the attached QR code and choosing their username/password. A QR reader app can be downloaded for free from the App Store or Google Play on any smartphone, tablet, or iPod. Children can also log in on any computer using the provided URL shortcut and bookmark the site for easy access all summer long.

Our local libraries will be supporting our efforts as well! Stop in at the **Lewiston Public Library, Ransomville Free Library**, or the **Youngstown Free Library** to log your minutes on their computers, for a forgotten or lost Scholastic username and password, and to enjoy all the summer programming they have to offer!

Students are challenged to read for 40 days for at least 15 minutes. They mark the days they have read on the provided calendar, send it in, and receive a personalized New York State Excellence in Reading Award. **A personalized QR code was sent home with the Summer Reading Challenge details.**



# KINDERGARTEN AMBASSADORS



Our kindergarten ambassadors did a fabulous job welcoming and leading parents and students in kindergarten information session on May 21.



## CHOOSE ADOPTION



Meet Corrina! She is about 10 months old. She is friendly to everyone and loves attention. Corrina is looking for a forever home. If interested in providing a loving home, stop by the Niagara SPCA and meet her.

# Kindness



Four of my sweet students wrote and illustrated a book about Kindness. They did this on their free-time and all worked together to create this masterpiece. I was asked to write a few lines about kindness. As I thought about this, I decided to ask ALL my students to tell me what they thought being kind meant. Here are their responses:

Olivia: saying nice things to people

Giana: being nice

Luca: hugs

Dylan: Being the best person that you can

Bobby: being kind to everyone

Whitney: seeing if someone needs help

Carter: being nice to other people that are hurt or not hurt

Natalie being nice to other people

Harper: hugs and kisses

Hayden: sharing toys

Serenity: help people when they are hurt

Claire: help people that are sick

Alex: saying I love You

Michael: if you see a friend that wasn't here for a couple of days give them a hug

Isla: If someone was hurt give them an ice pack

Mrs. Fernandez: Always living the "golden rule"

I think this sums it up my friends.

Please remember to always "Choose Kind", my class does!!!

Mrs. J Fernandez  
Kindergarten PEC

# Police Officer Appreciation Thursday, May 16, 2019

by Ms. Myers

On Thursday, May 16, 2019, the students of the PEC celebrated our dedicated team of School Resource Officers as well as officers from the Lewiston Police Department, Youngstown Police Department, and the Niagara County Sheriff's Office. Students from several classes created poems, signs, gift bags and card to express their gratitude for protecting our community, our school, our staff and students. There were sixteen officers in attendance and two K-9 officers. Officer Scott Stafford was presented with a plaque in memory of K-9 Officer Taser who sadly passed away in December. A tree was also planted in his memory in front of the Lewiston Police station. We are so thankful for all that our officers do every day to make sure we are safe! "For all you've done and all you will do, we know we are safe because of you!"



# Parent Volunteer Breakfast Performances



## **A Reminder from Mrs. Leggett, School Nurse, Regarding Immunizations and Physicals**

### **Immunizations and Physicals for 2019-2020**

If you have a child being registered for UPK or Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year, please submit their up to date Immunization record & completed MD physical as soon as possible. NYS law prevents students from attending school beyond the 14th day of the school year without evidence of immunizations.

**Reminder-** Health examinations are required in grades PreK or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.

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Students from Mrs. Dragone, Mrs. DuMoulin, Mrs. Eckstein, Mrs. Hedemann, Ms. Mauro, and Mrs. Winslow's classes donated a variety of beauty and personal hygiene products for needy Moms in the Summit Outreach Program for Mother's Day!

# Kindness Matters



Each year the Orleans-Niagara Teacher Center hosts a Literacy Contest for students in grades PreK-6. The contest provides teachers with a challenging and fun activity for students to demonstrate their learning of the Common Core ELA standards. Fifty-one students from Orleans and Niagara Counties participated in the event this year. They were recognized at an Award Ceremony at Lockport High School on May 11, where students, their families and teachers were invited to hear students read their entries, receive awards and enjoy some delicious treats prepared by the Orleans/Niagara BOCES Food Service students.



# Most Valuable Team Players

I am nominating Olivia because she helps me find dolphin books, plays with me when I am lonely and sits with me at lunch. She also makes me feel better.

*Nominated by Bella*

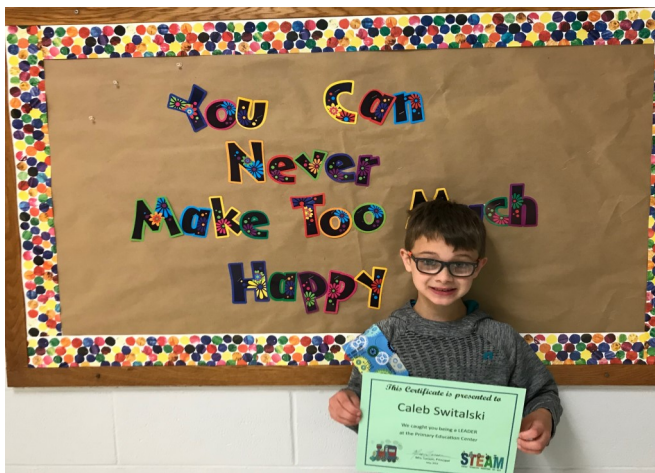
I would like to nominate Stella because she is very nice and sat next to me when I was alone at lunch. She is helpful to others. When Mrs. Dragone needs help- she is on it!

*Nominated by Layla*



I want to nominate Layla because she is a hard working, kind and helpful student. When Layla sees someone who needs help she goes to them right away. When Mrs. Dragone says a math question, she pops her hand up and gets it right. When we share our goal she is the best speaker. She asks questions when the kids share.

*Nominated by Stella*



"Caleb is kind. He works hard every day. He uses the habit of sharpening the saw. When kids are sad, he says, 'do you want to go play with me?' He works hard at math every day, too."

*Nominated by Mia*



I know Charlotte is my best friend because she is respectful and responsible and the best friend I know! I know she helps around the classroom.

*Nominated by Sabrina*

I would like to highlight these student leaders! They both follow the Leadership pledge everyday! They can always be counted on to be proactive and put first things first. Olivia and Zoe take pride in their work and look for ways to challenge themselves - they display a true enjoyment and excitement for learning! A good example of this is during our nonfiction writing unit they both worked during freetime and at home to write and illustrate books! Olivia and Zoe are role models for being respectful to others - they strive to be kind and considerate. I am proud of them and their Leadership skills!

*Nominated by Mrs. Hedemann*



Andrew was the biggest helper today in the school library. Not only did he put the cards out for the next class. But he also knows how to check the books out- library card first and then the book. Andrew could run the school library and is a future leader.

*Nominated by Mrs. Gerlach*



Mrs. Parker and I would like to recognize these four students for continuing to "synergize" as they soar in First Grade. Always putting their academics first and encouraging each other!!!!

Liam, Katherine, Everett and Ella created books about kindness and entered them into a literacy writing contest. Liam won first place for his book entry, Everett placed second and the girls won Honorable Mention. They will be honored at an awards dinner on May 16th.

We are very proud of their writing accomplishments as they always set attainable goals and work hard to meet them! Way to go Liam, Everett, Ella and Katherine!

Mrs. Parker and Mrs. VanEgmond are very proud of you!!!!

