

# ALLENDALE PTO PRESS APRIL 2024



Happy April to All!

Hope everyone had a fantastic Spring Break and are ready for last 3 months of this school year! March was a whirlwind of excitement with tons of awesome events! Read all about them in the recap below.

Now, gear up for another month packed with fun! From 1st Grade Bingo Night to the Spring Book Fair and our Annual Teacher Appreciation weeks, we have exciting activities lined up for everyone!

Let's bounce into Spring with a skip in our step!

Sincerely,

Your Allendale PTO

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## Spring Apparel Sale 4/8-4/26

Our annual Spring Apparel sale is underway! Grab some awesome gear for your kids and families! We also have apparel featuring our Hillside and Brookside contest winners!

**ORDER SPRING  
APPAREL HERE**



## Boulders Game Saturday, 5/11

Join us for a night of fun at Clover Stadium, Home of the New York Boulders on Saturday May 11, 2024 at 6:30PM while raising funds for Allendale PTO!

**[BUY TICKETS HERE](#)**

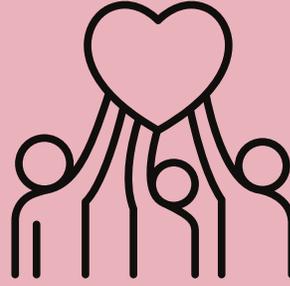




# 2nd Grade Service Project



The 2nd grade service project in support of Backpacks for Life was a huge success! The 2nd graders each filled a bag of toiletries that will be added to backpacks for homeless and at-risk veterans. The goal is to help enhance their general well being. Thank you to all who supported this wonderful cause!



**Thank you to our amazing volunteers for this event!**

Sabina McGuirl, Erika Kern, Anna Chung,  
Kelly Sullivan, Jill Relay, Lindsey Kuczma, Melissa Cicchetti



# ST. PATRICK'S DAY SCAVENGER HUNT



On Sunday, March 10th, Allendale kids participated in the 3rd Annual St. Patrick's Day Scavenger hunt! With a little luck on their side, the treasure hunters reached a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow!



# THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!



This event would not have been possible without you!  
And a special thank you to Bridget Adler for organizing this wonderful event!

Alex Morena, Alija Schulman, Anna Bryan-Jones, Antonia Bellapianta, Bella Zrebiec, Breadon Knapp, Chloe Ellison, Christina Valdes, Ellie McCarthy, Emma Gibbons, Jacquelyn DiFrancesco, Jay McLee, Clair Mario, Jessica Barreto, Jessica Liva, Jill Cook, Joey Hull, John Grando, Karina Singh, Lauren Alex, Lucy Kiefer, Maddie Knapp, Maggie Grando, Marisa Cali, Mila Murphy, Morgan White, Ryan McCarthy, Solea Mia Roewe, Tracy McLee, Zari Veres Royal

# 4TH & 5TH GRADE GAME NIGHT



On March 13th, the 4th and 5th graders had a blast with each other at game night hosted by The Brain Wash Game Show!

They combined our school curriculum with TV style game shows and pop culture trivia to create a one-of-a-kind experience for our kids!



**Thank you to our  
wonderful parent  
volunteers for this event!**

Lisa Ellison, Bridget Adler, Donna Koch,  
Lauren Sacks, Lindsey Kuczma, Maggie  
Grando, Meghan Pagano, Tracy McLee,  
Natasha Driscoll, Nicole Campestre,  
Stacey Smith

# 3rd Grade Dodgeball Tournament



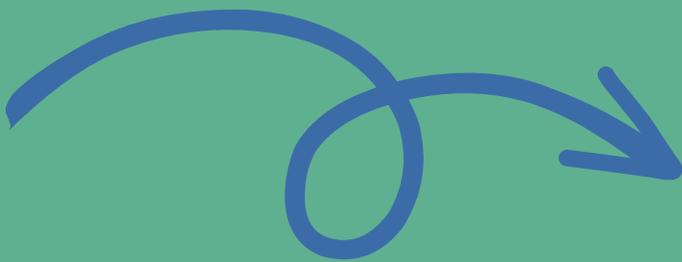
The annual Dodgeball Tournament was a night to remember for our 3rd grade students and parents!  
All the teams did an incredible job of showing teamwork and school spirit!  
Congratulations to Team Buckley on their win!

Thank you to our volunteers!  
Casey Zerenner, Johanna Holmes, Kristen Zrebeic, Liz Gomez, Mike Minicucci, Hirbod Azmi, Caity Press

# International Day 2024



## COUNTRY HOSTS



Thank you to Lori Verbel and her amazing committee on the success of this event. Committee Members include: Shaziya Shaikh, Liz Gomez Audrey Hayek, Stefanie Morton and Lindsey Kuczma.



International Day Committee 2024



International Day proves to be one of our most prideful and beloved events. During the day, classes toured the "world" visiting various countries and enjoyed a performance from Young Audiences about Puerto Rican Folkloric Music. At night, families got to visit the country tables and sampled country-specific snacks and treats. Korea, Armenia, Tatar and India all provided cultural performances that wowed!



# INTERNATIONAL DAY COUNTRIES

Thank you to everyone who participated and shared part of their culture with our community!

Armenia - Anita Atamian

Austria - Sabina McGuirl

China - Lina Gao

China - Xu Shi

Colombia - Dorothy Castro

Ecuador - Marisa Cali

Ecuador - Jessica Barreto

England - Sam Bonham

England - Simon Bonham

France - Bridget Adler

France - Marc Adler

Germany - Stefanie Morton

Greece - Kalliopi Passias

India - Dravina Reddy

India - Nikita Singhani

India - Sanchita Damania

India - Shaziya Shaikh

India - Suchita Dalvi

India - Varsha Srivastav

India - Vishal Damania

Iran - Hirbod Azmi

Iran - Stacey Azmi

Ireland - Colleen Braff

Ireland - Erin Patel

Israel - Adam Fox

Israel - Ashley Green

Israel - Jamie Noe

Israel - Jeffrey Press

Israel - Mara Yacobi

Israel - Taly Reuven

Italy - Jacquelyn DiFrancesco

Italy - Jill Relay

Netherlands - Melanie Fox

Poland - Edyta Chojnowski

Portugal - Tracy Lenhart

South Africa - Donne Booysen

South Africa - Wayne Booysen

South Korea - Amy Kim

South Korea - Andrea Choi

South Korea - Andy Choi

South Korea - Avaley Cho

South Korea - Jane Yoon

South Korea - Jennifer Lee

South Korea - Jimyoung Kwak

South Korea - Joo Ah Hong

South Korea - Yena Kim

South Korea - YK Kim

Spain - Alicia Rahal

Sweden - Grace Knowlton

Ukraine - Oksana Sanfilippo

United States - Gisselle Namuj

Venezuela - Antoneta Hernandez

Venezuela - Carlota Zambrano

Vietnam - Ed Liva

Vietnam - Jessica Liva



# March Teacher Appreciation

This past month, we wanted to thank our teachers and staff and let them know that “We’re over the rainbow grateful for them!”

They enjoyed a delicious assortment of fruit with some rainbow candy popcorn!



## March Birthday Bees





# PreK/K Build-a-Bee



This March we had our first ever Build-a-Bee event for our PreK and Kindergarten students! They all can't stop buzzing about what a good time it was!



Thank you to our volunteers!  
Bridget Adler, Kristen Kehoe, Julia Simunek, Bernadette Kelly, Julie Kenny, Liz Gomez, Laura Van Der Leuw, Stefanie Morton, Allison Falciglia, Angel Albanum, Vanessa Delaney, Sabina McGuirl, Jenny Lee



## Brookside Assembly



On Friday March 15th, Brookside students were treated to an assembly with 4 lively performers from the Freestyle Repertory Theatre! The students engaged in a series of improvised theatre games created from student suggestions. They showed that using language creatively, building upon the ideas of others and working as a team can be fun!



## 2024-2025 School Supply Kits



**Order Now!**

Pre-order your back to school supplies that have been hand-selected by our teachers! Save time, money and support the PTO!

Thank you to all those who participated in our Dining to Donate fundraiser with Nellie's!



Interested in learning more about the PTO or have any questions? Check out our Instagram and Facebook pages or send us an email!



## SAVE THE DATES

4/10- Hillside Birthday Bees

4/15 - 1st Grade Bingo Night

4/17- Monthly PTO General Meeting

@ 9:15am via zoom

4/22-4/25 -Spring Book Fair

4/25- Book Fair Donuts with

Grownups @ 7:30am

4/29-5/3 - Brookside Teacher

Appreciation Week



## Upcoming MAY Events

5/6-5/10- Hillside Teacher

Appreciation Week

5/8 - Hillside Birthday Bees

5/10 - 2nd & 3rd Grade VIP Dance

5/11 - Boulders Game

5/15 - Monthly PTO General Meeting

@ 9:15am via zoom

5/15- Community Take out night at

Chipotle