THE VILLAGE SCHOOL VOICE December 2014 &



January 2015



December		January	
12/2-12/5	PSA Holiday Shoppe	1/1-1/2	School Closed Winter Break
12/5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Holiday Concert	1/13	PSA Meeting (9:15 a.m.)
12/9	PSA Meeting (9:15 a.m.)	1/15	PSA School Store
12/12	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Holiday Concert	1/16	Half Day (4hrs Session)
12/17	Waste Free Wednesday	1/19	Schools Closed
12/23	Half Day (4hrs Session)	1/21	Waste Free Wednesday
12/24-	School Closed Winter Break		
12/31			



# Mr. Brian Schillaci

Thank you to all of our staff and families for a wonderful experience during conference time. It is so important to have that home/school connection, in order to ensure success for our students. The feedback from conferences was tremendous, and I am confident this connection will continue throughout the school year. Thank you for continuing to bring our children the very best!

We are looking forward to our upcoming grade level performances. Our second grade students will be performing their *Winter Concert* on Friday, December 5th. Our third grade performance will be taking place on Friday, December 12th. Dr. Riso has been working diligently to make sure the students are prepared for this wonderful experience. We look forward to seeing all of our second and third grade families for two incredible shows!

This time of year always brings a tremendous response of giving from our school community. Our "Giving Tree" initiative has been an amazing success again this year. We have hundreds of students who have signed up to bring in items for those in need....unbelievable! Mrs. Kenney, who is one of our second grade teachers, and the PSA joined together again this year to continue this great initiative. We could not be more proud of their efforts as well as the efforts of our students, staff, and families. The lessons learned through this experience are so very valuable to our children. Additionally, the PSA has partnered with BRIDGES this year to collect coats for children in need. The response has been overwhelming displaying the generosity of our school community. Thank you again for your continued support!

As mentioned in my first newsletter article, we will continue to promote and transition to the Common Core and new PARCC assessments. There is additional information about both of these items on the district website, and you will definitely want to visit Mrs. MacConnell's page. Mrs. MacConnell is our K-6 technology coach, and brings so many wonderful opportunities to our staff, students, and families. Please use the link below to check out her page. She updates this information on a regular basis, in many cases based on items we receive from the State, around Common Core and PARCC.

#### mrsmacconnell.com

As we approach the holidays, may all the joys of this special season be yours to share with family and friends. On behalf of the entire Village School family, best wishes to everyone for a happy and healthy New Year. We look forward to kicking off a great 2015 together! To All Village School Families,

First, on behalf of the Executive Board, I would like to thank all members of the Appointed Board who have contributed to what has already been a successful year for the PSA! I still receive overwhelmingly positive messages from parents regarding the family fun days this year (Meet & Greet, Fall Fest, Trunk or Treat and Let's Yo). Also, our kids have been enjoying the PSA events, from the very successful School Store, school assemblies, the monthly Box Top trophy competition, chess club and participation in the Red Ribbon campaign. These events, however, are not possible without the efforts of the parent volunteers of the PSA. Thank you for all of your support!

I would like to highlight one upcoming fundraising event – the Barnes & Noble Bookfair on **December 11** at Holmdel Commons. Barnes & Noble will be donating proceeds from sales on December 11 to the PSA. I understand from the elves at Barnes & Noble that they will help our parents with their shopping on this evening! So, please come and join us for some holiday shopping, cheer and story time with your favorite Village School staff members. If you cannot join us on this night, you can still support this PSA event by shopping online by using ID No. 11496296.

I hope you will be able to join us for our Holiday Breakfast on **December 9, 2014** and learn more about upcoming events for 2015!

Finally, I wish to extend my deepest gratitude to the members of the Executive Board for their contributions to the successes of the PSA this year. Thank you to Danielle Impreveduto, Paula Blalock, Suzanne Serini, Michelle Sottile, Ann Marie Harrison and Tammi Stanziale for sharing your precious time, ideas and knowledge to make the experience at Village School even more special for our students than it already is! Have a happy, healthy and safe Holiday Season!

Warmest regards,

Vicky Flynn



## Gift Giving Tree

Thank you for your participation this year and making this a successful event. All gift giving tree gifts must be returned no later than December 5<sup>th</sup>. The gifts need to be unwrapped with the recipients name on the tag.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email Mrs. Kenney at jkenney@holmdelschools.org

## December 5

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Winter Concert 9:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. December 12 3<sup>Rd</sup> Grade Winter Concert

9:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.





Please join the PSA for a Holiday Breakfast Buffet on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, at 9:15 a.m.in the New Gym The PSA will be offering a delicious catered breakfast from Dearborn Market featuring freshly baked danish, bagels, muffins, and seasonal fruit salad, as well as assorted quiches, french toast with maple syrup sauce, and apple smoked bacon. Coffee and juice will also be served The cost is \$10.00 per person. Payment must be received by December 1st. Payments can be made via Paypal on holmdelparents.org/village



Barnes & Noble Bookfair

## Thursday December 11, 2014

On Thursday December 11, Barnes & Noble Bookstore at Holmdel Commons will host a book fair to benefit Village School. Barnes & Noble will donate a portion of all in-store sales. This is a great opportunity to buy books, toys, and gifts for the holidays and help us raise funds for the school.



#### COMING SOON!

FAMILY SKATE NIGHT FEBRUARY!

More details to come!

THE NEXT SCHOOL STORE WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 15, 2015



The Village School Box Tops for Education Traveling Trophy has been a great success! The children are excited each month to see which classes will get to keep the trophy in their rooms. Thanks to your support, we have raised over \$1,000 so far!!!! Keep sending in those Box Tops for Education and stay tuned to see where those trophies will end up next!!!

Visit our website <u>www.holmdelparents.org/village</u> for more details as well as the collection sheet



## SAVE THE DATE!! Bingo coming soon! PK/K/1 - February 13, 2015 2/3 - February 20, 2015 6-6:30 Pizza 6:30-8:00 Bingo!

Space is available on a first come, first serve basis for **PSA Members**. Registrations will go on sale 1/28/15 for PSA Members. Admission: \$5.00 per person and \$8.00 per pie. If you purchase tickets & have not yet paid your \$10 PSA Membership dues, you will be contacted & placed on a waiting list. Questions ???? Contact: Debbie Brew debbrew@verizon.net or Danielle Impreveduto PSACommunications@gmail.com

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This is not a drop off event or a fundraiser It's an opportunity to have a fun family night together! LOTS OF GREAT PRIZES!!!

## 2014-2015 Village School Yearbook

### How to Upload Pictures to TreeRing:

If you do not have an account, please set one up using the school passcode: 1013778841231103

Once you have logged in, the screen showing will ask you to purchase your yearbook. Do not do this! The PSA will handle the purchase of all yearbooks. Simply click "Skip."

When you have accessed the account, click "4. Add Photos"

In the next screen, labeled PHOTOS you will see individual event folders. To add pictures, please click on the folder you wish to add to first. Do not click on the Add Photos button on the top right.

Once in the event folder, then click "Add Photos," and select where your photos are. Continue to follow the prompts.



- Photos taken on phones are not at a high enough resolution to be included in the yearbook. Please use a point-and-shoot or DSLR for best quality.
- Please upload your photos in a timely manner within 1-2 weeks from the event. The yearbook staff will be completing pages throughout the year and cannot guarantee photos will be included if they are received too late.
- When taking photos, groups of 2-4 children is best. The photos should be close up and capture the spirit of the event.
- When uploading photos, please be aware the upload does take a bit of time. We ask that you try to only upload photos that are clear and bright.
- Please no blurry or dark photos as they can not be used.





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Thank you to Mr. Schillaci, Mrs. Vierschilling, the teachers and all of the families who came to Let's Yo to support the Village School PSA. 10% of the sales that evening were donated to the PSA.







### PSA Membership

We are off to a great start! If you still haven't registered it's not too late!

Remember membership is only \$10 for the year and entitles you to a free yearbook (\$10 value) for each of your students enrolled in Village School as well as priority registration for our PSA Sponsored Family Fun Nights. You can register on our website: www.holmdelparents.org





Car Magnets are in stock at Village School. If you would like to purchase a magnet please email <u>PSACommunications@gmail.</u> <u>com</u> for details on how to buy one!

Village School Spirit Wear will go back on Sale starting in January!

Hooded Sweatshirts: \$25 Long Sleeve Shirts: \$15 T-Shirts: \$8

SHOP AT: www.spiritwear.bigcartel.com