

Around the Round!

Round Elementary School 11550 Hibner Rd, Hartland, MI 48353 http://round.hartlandschools.us **Phone: 810-626-2800** Fax: 810-626-2801

Filone: 610-626-2600 Fax: 610-626-2

Absence Line: 810-626-2805 Office Hours: 8:00 am – 4:15 pm

April 2021

Important Dates

April:

4/5 Back to School

4/7 PTO Meeting 7:00 pm

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71068663451 ?pwd=STFRalQ1UTBoSWxqMUR0aUJ DOW1TOT09

Meeting ID: 710 6866 3451

Passcode: 4L4045

May:

5/3 – 5/7 Teacher Appreciation Week 5/4 PTO Meeting 7pm

5/4 PTO Meeting 7pm

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/71370 28193?pwd=V1ZvM0FodXdVV IvMkxIMVdyOWNkQT09

Meeting ID: 713 7042 8193

Passcode: AB70yG

5/3-5/10 3^{rd} and 4^{th} grade MSTEP

5/26 Field Day

5/27 4th grade Clap Out 3:00 Last Day (Full Day)

Spring is in the Air!

Thanks to your continued support and our amazing PTO, we had a marvelous March is Reading Month! Students enjoyed having different teachers read in their room, fun Thursdays, special treats and many new books!

Please consider volunteering for a PTO event or as a board member. We are already planning for the 21-22 school year. We all have busy lives, but Together Everyone Achieves More. We need you on the TEAM!

Please check out the Hartland Consolidated website for STEM Lab updates. All of the elementary schools in Hartland will be under construction this summer for the implementation of the STEM Centers. We would like to thank the community for passing the bond and supporting us as we prepare our students for an amazing future! http://www.hartlandschools.us/2020-Bond/index.html

Would you like to be a substitute teacher at Round? All you need is 60 credit hours from an accredited university. Call 877-974-6338 or visit www.EDUStaff.org to register.

 3^{rd} and 4^{th} grade students will be taking the MSTEP assessment 5/3 - 5/13. Please try to schedule vacations, appointments, etc outside of this important time. K-2 students will also be taking the Early Literacy and Math Benchmark assessment in May. Dates TBD.

We would like to remind everyone to celebrate the wonderful learning our students have accomplished and the Round staff's passion and commitment to excellence!

Dotty Hottum

PTO

The Round Elementary PTO plays a vital role in the education of our students. We feel extremely fortunate to have a caring, energetic group of parents that volunteer their time and efforts to give our students the best experience possible. It is an exciting time to be a volunteer in the school. Please consider volunteering for the PTO. The next meeting is on **Wednesday, April 7th at 7:00 pm** via Zoom. We hope to see you there!

Did you know our PTO supported the purchase of books that enable K-4 teachers to teach students in small reading groups? These high interest books increase a love for reading and support our third and fourth grade students as they learn to read complex text.

We are learning to read and reading to learn at every grade level



Community Rewards

Do you Shop at Kroger and use the Plus Card? If so... be sure to link your Plus Card to Hartland Round Elementary School PTO! This is an easy way for us to earn money to give back to our school/staff/students!

It's easy to link up. Enroll anytime by going to $\underline{www.krogercommunityrewards.com}$ and hit the

"Enroll Now" button.

You don't have to do anything else!!

Just do your normal shopping with Kroger.

At checkout use your Kroger card and you've automatically earned Round some extra cash!



Safety in the Parking Lot!



Thank you to PTO for the new signs in the "kiss and go" lane! Please remember to pull all the way forward before stopping. If everyone pulls forward, three or four cars can let children out at the same time. PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY AND CAUTIOUSLY and put the safety of our students first. This is particularly important during the winter.

The drop off lane is a "kiss and go lane", please stay in your car, give them a kiss and a hug, send them out to the sidewalk on the right side of your car. Children exiting cars on the left hand side could be stepping out into traffic. If you need to help your child out of the car or they must exit on the left, then you need to park in the lot to ensure everyone's safety. We need the line to move quickly so parents with other morning commitments can be on time.

Please remember to save the parking spaces labeled 'handicapped' for those with the appropriate legal designation. Thank you for your cooperation.

End of the day pick up reminder!

We want to thank you for all you have done this fall to ensure we had a great start to the school year. We need to clarify the 'end of the day procedures' because there has been some confusion.

Please be aware that half of the office staff go to the gym for end of the day pick up at 3:40. At the same time, teachers send students being picked up to their lockers to get their things and head to the gym. Parents can pick students up in the gym at 3:45.

If you want to pick your child up between 3:40 and 3:50 you have 2 options:

- 1. Pick them up in the gym beginning at 3:45
- 2. Wait on the sidewalk for your child to exit the building at 3:50

We do not like to release students from the office between 3:40 and 3:50 unless it is an emergency. Please help us to make the end of the day an efficient and safe experience for everyone between 3:40 and 3:50 by choosing one of the above options

Raising Kind Children:

HOW TO GUIDE CHILDREN TO BE EMPATHETIC AND ETHICAL ACROSS EVERY SETTING



BY LEAH SHAFER, ON FEBRUARY 27, 2017 2:12 PM

Families foster kindness and respect at home by setting expectations for manners, sharing, and helping with chores. And families *hope*, often with a tinge of worry, that children will continue those behaviors when parents and caregivers aren't nearby: in the school cafeteria, at a friend's house, or on Instagram and Snapchat.

But guiding children to be empathetic and ethical in their independent lives — even when no one is looking — can be more intentional than that. Here, a set of parenting strategies for teaching children to think ethically, care about the people around them, and create positive change in the world. These resources were developed by Making Caring Common (MCC), a project of the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

To guide ethical thinking:

- Discuss ethical dilemmas you have encountered at work, with friends, or running errands. Ask your children what they would have done in that situation.
- Talk about ethical dilemmas your children might face in the classroom, at lunch, or during recess. Brainstorm (and role-play) possible solutions.
- Encourage your children to see conflicts from another person's perspective. Discuss ways they can compromise between their needs and those of others.

To foster concern for others:

- Encourage your children to really *listen* to siblings or peers when they are upset, especially if they don't initially understand that person's views.
- Ask children to consider the perspectives of people they don't usually talk to: a new student at school, a student who is often teased, a student experiencing family trouble, or a student of a different race or religion.
- Discuss hardships you see on the news, and talk about the experiences, challenges, and feelings of people who live in different places around the world.
- Complete this circle of concern activity.

To teach children to be change-makers:

- Inspire children to take action around issues that affect them and their peers, such as school uniform policies, students' rights, or the healthfulness of school lunches.
- Distinguish the importance of "doing with" others from "doing for" others. Encourage children to respond to community problems by *working with* and *listening to* a diverse group, rather than spearheading new initiatives without any guidance. This is particularly relevant for high school students seeking "community service" opportunities as part of their college-application process; parents can guide children to take a richer, more meaningful approach to volunteer work.
- Model that communal approach and the importance of service. Volunteer together at a food drive, or set aside a day as a family to donate unwanted clothes and toys.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

• Advice on cultivating empathy, encouraging honesty, and raising caring children

Around the Round



Newsletter 5

We Need Your Help to earn money for our school programs.

Please bring your recyclable papers to our Green & Yellow Paper Retriever® Bin.

ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Shopping Catalogs
- Mail
- School Papers
- Office Papers
- Envelopes

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

- NO Cardboard
- NO Cereal/Soda Cartons
- NO Food wrap/containers
- NO Tissue Products
- NO Phone Books
- NO Plastic
- NO Glass

RESOURCE SAVINGS from Recycling One Ton of Paper:

4,102 kwh less Electricity

60 Lbs less Green House Gases

7,000 gallons less of Water

390 gallons of oil



Make Every Page Count™

Thank you for recycling