



Around the Round!

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March 2018

Important Dates

March

- 3/2 **Seussabration**
- 3/6 **K, 1, 3 and 4 to Encore Play**
- 3/7 **2nd grade to play in Howell**
- 3/7 **PTO Meeting 7pm**
- 3/8 **Author Visit: Buck Wilder**
- 3/8 **Wear Camo or Outdoor Clothes**
- 3/9 **Color Day**
- 3/13 **Lego Club Showcase**
- 3/14 **Readers Theater at Crounse 6:30pm**
- 3/16 **Red Wings Clothing**
- 3/19 **School Board Meeting**
- 3/21 **4th grade visits Farms 9:30**
- 3/22 **Round Rocks/Auction 6:00pm**
- 3/23 **Pajama Day**
- 3/26-4/2 **No School Spring Break**

April:

- 4/3 **Back to School**
- 4/9 **Smile Dental Program Visits**
- 4/10 **Anxiety Workshop for Parents**
- 4/12 **PTO Meeting 4 pm**
- 4/26 **Science Fair, Art Fair, and Ice Cream Social**

School Hours
Monday -Thursday
8:50 – 3:50pm

It is March is Reading Month!!

We have an exciting eventful calendar full of opportunities to facilitate our student's love of reading. Our goal this month is to increase student's volume, stamina and love of reading. If they haven't caught the reading bug yet, we hope they will in March!

Thanks to your continued support and our amazing PTO, we will have a presentation by author Buck Wilder. He will be sharing the work writers need to do to become authors. Our students will enjoy a camping theme during the month of March and enjoy this wild life enthusiast and writer.

Please see page 5 for an interesting article about the importance of teaching children to be "Upstanders". Here is a video about bullying and the importance of being an "Upstander".

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FYVvE4tr2BI>

Hartland Consolidated Schools will be accepting kindergarten enrollment packets beginning 2/1/17 at the Board of Education office and each of the elementary schools. Enrollment packets can also be downloaded from the district website at www.hartlandschools.us.

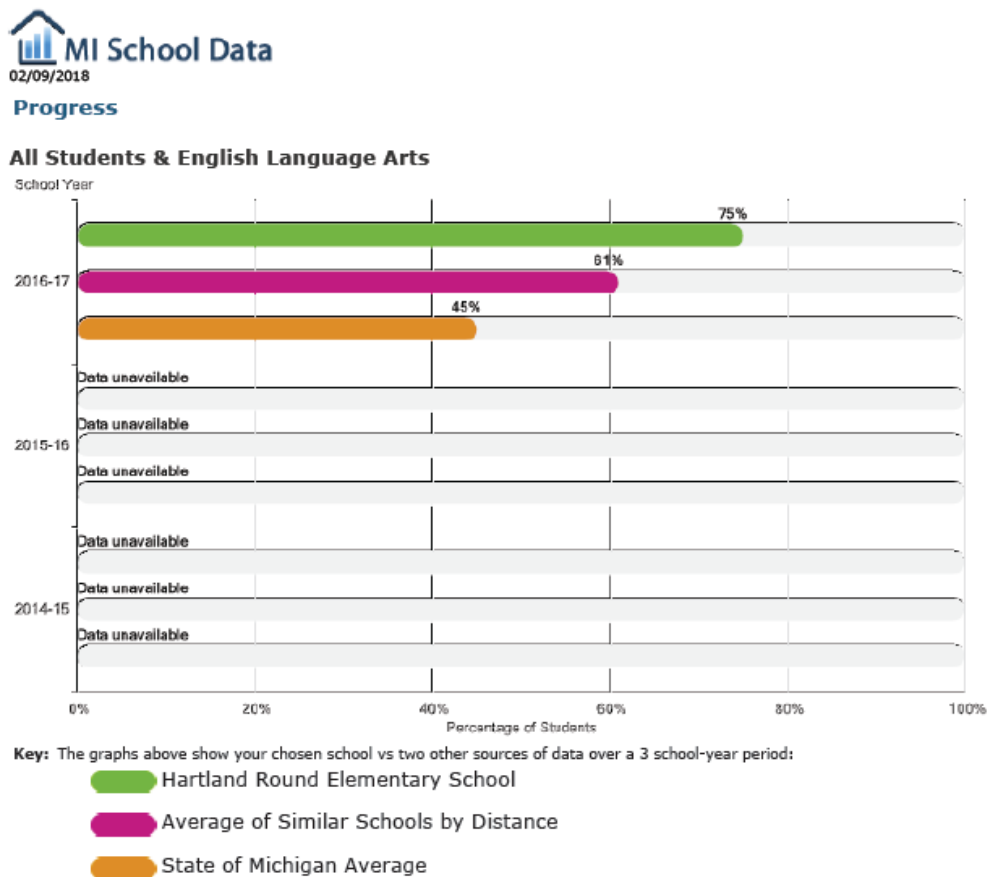
As spring approaches we celebrate all of the wonderful learning our students have accomplished and the Round staff's passion and commitment to excellence! Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Dotty Selix

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. Please consider accepting a nomination or nominating yourself for a PTO Board position as the elections for the next school year will be held at the April meeting. To find out more, please join us at the next meeting on Wednesday, March 9th at 4:00 pm in the Round media center. We hope to see you there!

We would like to thank our PTO for our chromebooks and cart, and the beautiful rugs in the entries and classrooms. In the past 3 years, the PTO supported the purchase of books (over \$20,000.00) and the training of a Special Education teacher as a Reading Recovery interventionist. These dollars have enabled K-4 teachers to teach students in small reading groups and one on one to ensure our students are able to read successfully on more complex texts. This graph represents student progress in literacy. Without the support of our PTO and parents these gains could not be made. To learn more visit the Michigan Department of Education Parent Dashboard: <https://www.mischooldata.org/ParentDashboard>




In addition many activities that support our school community and families such as Suessabration, Trunk or Treat, the Fun Run assembly, Teacher Appreciation Week, spirit sticks, art and science fair and the ice cream social are made possible by our amazing PTO.

All of the things that make Round wonderful require a dedicated volunteer group. Please consider volunteering for a PTO event or as a board member. **We all have busy lives, but Together Everyone Achieves More – We want you on the TEAM!**

Do You Have Spring Clothes Shopping to Do??

Take advantage of this offer. Tea has really nice clothing; cute girls' dresses and leggings, very sturdy boys shorts and pants. You get to save the 15% even on sale items!!

Round's promo code is: **SDS18ROUND**



Tea's School Days

At Tea Collection, we believe in community. We make clothes to spark curiosity, conversation, and connection - at home and all over the world. That's why we created School Days - a chance for us to support you and the organizations doing important work where you live.

FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 5

Shop TeaSchoolDays.com
at 15% off + Free Shipping & we get 15% of sales.

here's how it works

- 1 **SHOP** TeaSchoolDays.com from February 26-March 5
- 2 **ENTER** promo code **SDS18ROUND** at checkout
- 3 **HIGH FIVE** when we get a check for 15% of sales (hooray!)

Have You Seen this Yellow Bin?

To your left when you walk in the main entrance or Round, this yellow bin sits... waiting for your outgrown or gently used clothes (Infant through Teen AND Women's!)

Round Elementary collects these items (must be without stains or holes) and sends them to an online consignment company called Schoola, who sells them for us and then sends a check every year!! This is an easy way for you to help Round out without having to buy anything or volunteer your time!!

You can also SHOP www.schoola.com and Schoola donates \$2 for every \$5 you spend!! So, you get rid of the outgrown clothes and then re-fill with this season's size!!

Questions: contact Trish VanTichelt, trishvant79@gmail.com



Thanks to our Supporters!

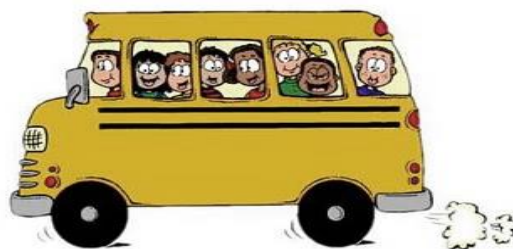
Round's annual Spring Fundraiser is around the corner. We will have a fun "Round Rocks" staff talent show and silent auction on March 22, 2017.

More information and flyers to come. Even though our list **continues** to grow, the PTO would like to begin thanking all the very generous companies, organizations, and people who have already made donations to make our event a special one so far!

Watch for exciting auction items and donations from these fabulous places! Sending a big thanks to:



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 do not drop children off on the east side of the building. The buses exit the parking lot on the east side and it can be dangerous to drop children off in front of the buses. If you use the east parking lot, please park and walk your child to the front door.

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. Some students may even be on the playground or at essentials. 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. Sign them out in the office and 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.

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING AN UPSTANDER

What is an upstander? Why is it important to consider when we think about bullying?

An upstander is someone who says “no” to bullying. In virtually all bully-victim situations, there are witnesses who view or know about the act. We want to make sure our kids are part of a community where everyone—kids and grownups alike—makes the decision to be an upstander, rather than a passive bystander who does nothing.

Does being an upstander mean that my child (or I) has to directly confront people when they are acting as a bully?

No! There are lots of moments when a child or an adult may feel too scared to directly talk to a bully. There are other ways that kids and adults can be upstanders. A child, for example can tell a teacher.

One of the important activities that Upstanders/student leaders can become involved with is thinking about what will really help in your school. Reporting mean behavior is an important first step.

Is “being an upstander” a new idea?

(We are grateful to Marco Stoffel, Ph.D. who first suggested the term Upstanders to us in 2004.)

No. In many ways this is another word for being socially responsible, and being socially responsible is a foundation for democracy. In the words of our founding fathers, “we are only as strong as our weakest members.” We all have a responsibility to pay attention to others who are in trouble and help. In the world of bully prevention, we believe that the first two people to independently write about this are Ron Slaby, Ph.D. (Educational Development Center and Harvard University) and Stu Twemlow, MD (Menninger Foundation and the Baylor College of Medicine).

How I can talk to my child about being an upstander.

Here are some questions that can help to start this kind of important discussion. If being an upstander is something that you value and want your children to understand and practice, these questions will support this process:

- Have you ever seen a friend or classmate being bullied? What are possible ways you can respond to the situation? How would each way affect other people involved?
- How would you like others to react if you were being bullied, targeted or excluded?
- What music, TV shows and movies promote kindness or upstander behavior?
- What are your special talents? What are special talents of your friends and classmates? Why is it important to be different and work together?
- How is upstander behavior similar and/or different from being a hero?
- When you think about our country’s past, who would you consider upstanders? Who are our country’s current upstanders?
- When have you been an upstander? What is difficult or scary about being an upstander?

If someone is mean to my child, what should they do?

- Say “Stop”
- If the other child continues, say “Stop or I will tell”
- If the child continues, your child needs to tell the nearest adult. When they report the behavior they need to say, “_____ was being mean. I asked him/her to stop 2 times. I need help.
- This helps adults know the difference between “tattling” and situations that require intervention.

JK or Kindergarten:

What's the Difference if they are both full day?

All Day Kindergarten

- Arrival
- Morning meeting, calendar, lunch count, weather
- Shared Reading: Emergent story book, big book, poem, or traditional story
- Readers workshop
- Snack and Recess, Centers (fine motor center, dramatic play, math center, literacy centers, etc. , Teacher meets with guided reading groups)
- Writers Workshop
- Lunch and Lunch Recess
- Read Aloud
- Math
- Essentials: gym, art, music or media
- Snack and Recess
- Education Through Music, Centers (fine motor center, dramatic play, math center, literacy centers, etc., Teacher meets with guided reading groups)
- Interactive Writing, letter work and word study
- Read Aloud, science, social studies
- Clean up and get ready to go home

All Day Junior Kindergarten

- Arrival
- Morning meeting, calendar, lunch count, weather
- Shared Reading: Nursery rhyme, poem, or traditional story
- Snack and Recess
- Interactive Writing
- Read Aloud or Shared Reading
- Prepare for lunch, lunch, recess and wash hands after lunch
- Read Aloud
- Writers Workshop: oral language and storytelling (talk, draw, write)
- Essentials: gym, art, music or media
- Education Through Music or Centers
- Snack and recess
- Letter work, centers, crafts, small group instruction and afternoon snack
- Read Aloud or Shared Reading
- Clean up and get ready to go home

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(Above) Mrs. Kucharski's class won a book from Cromaine Library for having the most children visit the library in the January! (Below) Round Revolution students learn about glaciers and land forms. (Left Top) Girls on the Run is coming to Round. Please consider joining a wonderful group of girls learning to be lifelong leaders. (Left) Round students enjoyed learning from nonfiction books in January and February.



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



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