



Around the Round!

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March 2019

Important Dates

March

- 3/1 Seussabration**
- 3/5 Round School to Encore Play**
- 3/6 Croumaine Readers Theater**
6:30
- 3/7 PTO Meeting 4 pm**
- 3/8 Dress for Success Day**
- 3/12 Lego Club Showcase**
- 3/15 Crazy Hair Day**
- 3/19 4th graders visit Farms**
- 3/20 Authors Karen and Darrin**
Brage visit
- 3/21 Round Rocks Talent**
Show/Auction
- 3/22 PJ Day**
- 3/25-3/29 No School Spring Break**

April:

- 4/1 Back to School**
- 4/10 PTO Meeting 7:00 pm**
- 4/19 No School for Staff and**
Students
- 4/25 Science Fair and Art Fair**

School Hours

Monday -Thursday
8:50 – 3:50pm

Fridays

Early Release
8:50 – 2:50pm

Students may enter at 8:45am

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 Karen Brage and illustrator Darrin Brage. They will be sharing the work writers need to do to become authors. Our students will enjoy a monster/alien theme during the month of March!



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 began accepting kindergarten enrollment packets on 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!

See Sensei's Top 10 Parenting Tips on page 4.

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 7th at 4:00 pm in the Round media center. We hope to see you there!

We would like to thank our PTO for our new touchscreen chromebooks and cart! In the past 4 years, the PTO supported the purchase of books (over \$20,000.00), chromebooks, shelving 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. In addition, PTO has made many activities that support our school community and families possible such as Suessabration, Trunk or Treat, the Fun Run assembly, Teacher Appreciation Week, spirit sticks, art show and science fair. Thank you to all of our parents that support us!

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!**

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,
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Thanks to our Supporters!

Round's annual Spring Fundraiser is around the corner. We will have a fun "Round Rocks" student talent show and silent auction on March 21, 2019. Please help us gather more donations to support the event.

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:



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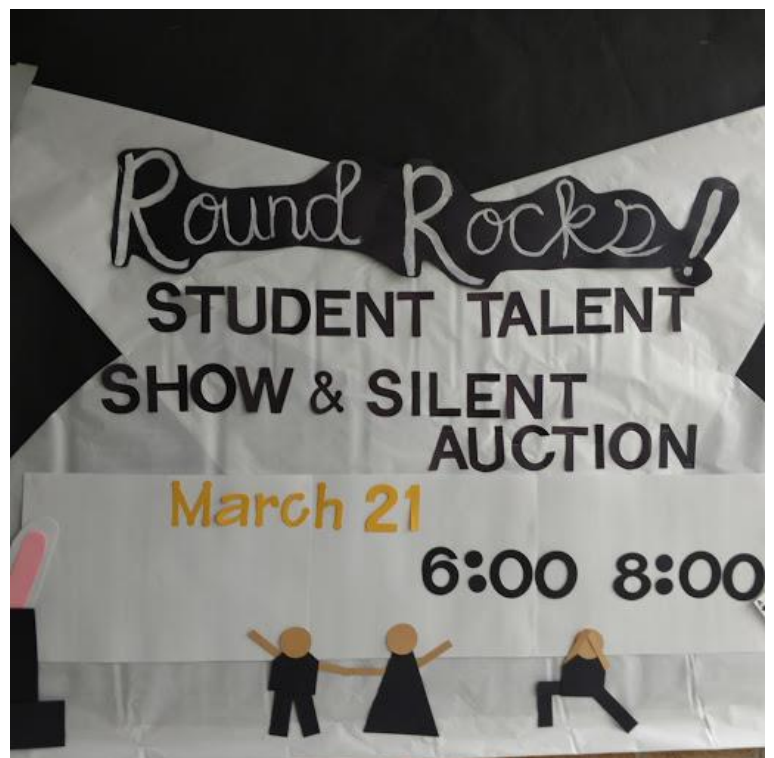


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Sensei's Top 10 Parenting Tips:

1. **Boredom is a good word.** Stop trying so hard to keep them from being bored. Boredom is GOOD for them. Only through boredom can they develop the critical success skills of mastering the repetitious and mundane, and delayed gratification. Let them "just sit" in a car. Let them "just sit" in a doctor's office. Let them "just sit" at karate. Let them figure out what to do. I read a very good article recently - kids today are not entitled, they are really just impatient!
2. **Family Culture.** Don't let your kids "just figure it out on their own." Where do kids get their values, principals and beliefs? Where did you get yours? You get them from your parents whether you want to or not. So you must be strong and stand for something. Here is the easiest way to do this. Use this phrase all the time - "In our family we always . . ." Also use the phrase, "This is just how we do it here!"
3. **Role Shift.** This one is huge. If you just do one do this one! Make sure you shift roles from caregiver/teacher to manager/coach to consultant/mentor as your child ages. Many parents stay in the caregiver/teacher mode. This will develop weak, dependent kids who will struggle with the slightest challenge, failure or stress. They will also not be able to take any risks. They will be perfectionists and fear failure. At what ages should you make the shifts? Use this - Know the number one motivator of normal kids before about seventh grade is "pleasing their parents". After seventh grade it shifts to "pleasing their peers".
4. Do not be your child's **BFF**. Do not make them the center of our family. You cannot be your child's best friend because friends cannot tell friends to do things they do not like or want to do. You need to be their parent. You must have the ability to do one difficult thing - make them do what they do not want to do. Your kids do not always have to like you. If you do this with consistency they will always love and respect you. Tough love is what your child needs from you.
5. **Do not over-protect.** They used to be called Helicopter Parents. Now the term is Lawnmower or Bulldozer Parents. Boredom, fear, hardship, failure, problems and stress are good for your child. This is how they get stronger and more courageous. You want your child to live a good life NOT an easy life. The key? See #C above - just make sure to shift your roles!
6. **"Thank you for letting me know"**. Have your child complete tasks that they don't want to do. When they complain just say, "thank you for letting me know" and insist that they complete the task. Doing what we want all the time is not realistic.
7. **Delay Gratification.** Just by saying, "wait a minute" you increase your child's self-regulation skills. Creating a few minute delay after every request helps your child learn self- control.
8. **Growth Mindset.** We were not born "good" or "bad" learners, athletes, etc. We all can learn and practice to improve our skills. When you child says, "I'm not good at _____" and the word "YET" to the end of that statement.
9. **You can not punish a child into Good Behavior.** You have to teach appropriate behavior and you have to reward it when you see it. When you child is "yelling/screaming" teach them to use a "calm/appropriate" tone. Then reward appropriate tone regularly.
10. **Parenting is HARD.** Ask for help! It is okay to get tired and overwhelmed, but ask for help. We expect our children to ask for help – we need to ask for help as well.

FINAL NOTE: DO NOT SCARE KIDS!

The news is scary. The number of mass shootings in Michigan in 12 years is 2. Kidnapping and child abduction rarely happen in Livingston County. If you are nervous or afraid about your child entering school, advancing grades, getting lunch, learning math...you WILL scare them. They have been watching you for clues since they were born. Children read our energy and our emotion. Be strong, feel safe and believe in your child and they will be just fine☺

If you are interested in the biology around energy and emotion this is great TedTalk:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cef35Fk7YD8>

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

Girls on the Run

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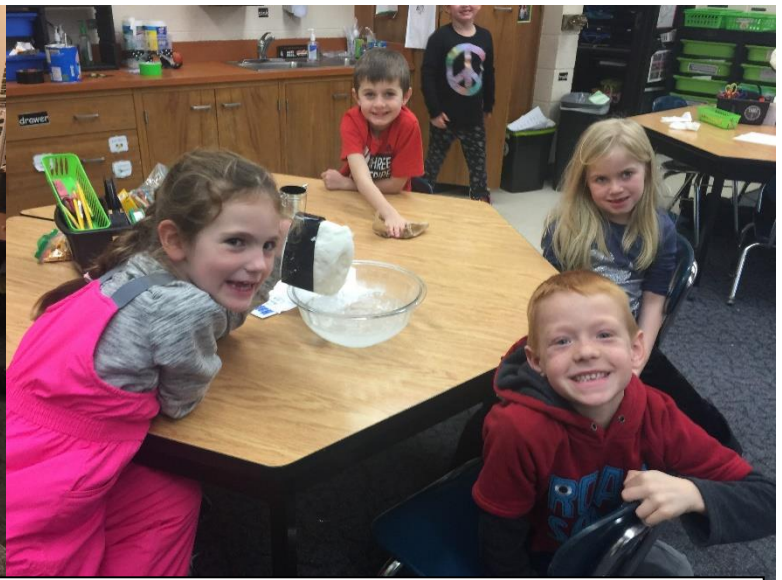
Program Registration Opens January 22nd

Girls on the Run is a ten-week after school program for 3rd - 8th grade girls. Twice-weekly lessons and interactive activities are led by trained volunteer coaches who guide and mentor the girls through uplifting curriculum that focuses on life-long skills to improve emotional and physical health. The program culminates in a non-competitive 5k event which gives the girls a chance to shine and an overwhelming sense of accomplishment!

Our May 11th and 12th 5k events are open to anyone who wants to run, walk or skip to the finish line!

For more information on registering, volunteering or sponsoring Girls on the Run log onto
www.girlsontherunsemi.org

Girls on the Run



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