

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PEEKSKILL

Staci Woodley, Principal

Principal's Newsletter November 2015

Golden and red trees
Nod to the soft breeze, As it whispers, "winter is near;"
And the brown nuts fall
At the wind's loud call,
For this is the Fall of the year. By Ellen Robena Field



Dear Parents,

What a beautiful autumn season we have experienced so far. The warm 70 degree afternoons have transformed into sweater days and we look forward to frosty nights. The beginning of the school year came and went so quickly. The teachers and students have successfully established routines and procedures for class lessons and homework. The students are busy learning so many new concepts. The course work is rigorous. Please remember to review your child's homework and read with him/her every day for 20 minutes.

Now, with the start of November, we prepare to meet with our families during Parent Teacher Conferences. Teachers will be reaching out to parents to schedule conference. We look forward to this time of the year. It gives the teachers an opportunity to touch base with the parents about their child/ren's progress and continue to support the home/school relationship. The 1st quarter ends on November 6th, with report cards sent home on November 12th.

November also brings about opportunity to reflect on what we are thankful for. I am grateful for the joyful energetic children that grace the hallways with smiles and laughter. I am grateful for the hard-working, dedicated staff and faculty that come early and stay late to ensure students receive high-quality education. I am grateful for the parents that send their children to school daily and support their academics.

Coat Drive

PCSD is teaming up with the Peekskill Youth Bureau for a Winter Coat Drive. We will be collecting new or cleaned, gently used coats, hats and gloves of all sizes (infant to adult) from October 26 to November 13. There will be donation boxes located in all school buildings, including Oakside. Please bring all donations in a tied plastic bag.

November Dates to Remember:

11/1 - Turn back clocks - end of Day Light Savings Time

11/3 - No School - Professional Learning Academy for Teachers

11/11- Veteran's Day Observed - Building Closed

11/6 – 1st Quarter Ends

11/12 and 11/13 - Early Release Days - ½ Day for Students 11:35AM Dismissal- Parent

Teacher Conferences (11/12 – There will be evening conferences)



11/25-27 - No School – Thanksgiving Recess 11/16 - PTO meeting at 6:30pm

With Best regards,

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