



Harper Happenings



Jan. 9-13, 2017

Volunteer for Harper School Cafeteria, Library, or Garden

Lunch Menu

What's Happening

Monday January 9

- Open gym begins, 6:30pm.

Coming Up / Reminders

Monday January 16

- No school- Martin Luther King Day.

Tuesday January 17

- Last day to bring in holiday lights for recycling.

Wednesday January 18

- PTO General Meeting, 9:00am, Harper Auditorium (with special presentation from "Artist in Residency" mindfulness experts).

Friday January 20

- D39 Kindergarten Enrollment for 2017-2018 school year.
- Fourth grade students: last day to submit baby picture for yearbook.

Monday January 23

- January Birthday Lunch with Dr. Kick.
- Board of Ed Meeting, 7:00pm, MEC.

Friday January 27

- Early release Day, 12:15pm dismissal.

Dr. Kick's Corner

-Prior to winter break, I asked a number of students what “goal” they had for the new year 2017. Here are some of their wonderful responses:

- *Help with my baby brother
- *Pick up my toys
- *Do my homework without my mom yelling at me
- *Use my iPad less
- *Help my dad shovel
- *Learn how to write better
- *Be a better friend
- *Help the environment
- *Eat everything my mom makes
- My favorite...*Eat more dessert

-The new year is a great time to set individual and family goals. Sit down with your kids and set family goals. You will be amazed at their thoughts and input.

Announcements

- **Open Gym Night at Harper begins Monday, January 9th 6:30-8:00 pm and every Monday evening school is in session up until Spring Break!** This Harper tradition is brought to you by IGNITE! and supervised by a district staff member however, parents are required to stay with their children for the duration of the evening.
- **Registration is still open and ongoing for Harper after school clubs.** Clubs run from Jan.3rd to March 24th. You may register in person at any Wilmette Park District facility or at www.wilmettepark.org
- **Do you have strands of holiday lights that have gone caput?** Instead of tossing them into the garbage, bring them to Harper! The Environmental Awareness Committee is collecting broken/unusable holiday lights from now until January 17. There will be a box by the front office for collection. All colors and lengths accepted. This is a program with the Village of Wilmette, the Elgin Recycling and the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) who will be accepting holiday lights for recycling to save them from going into landfills. Harper's EA Committee will spare you the drive and take all of your broken lights for you.
- **BOX TOPS - Did you know?** Did you know you can find [BOX TOPS on 100's of products](#)? Did you know that every BOX TOP is worth \$0.10 for Harper Elementary? We are a quarter of our way to our \$1000 goal for the school year, with only 2 submissions left. Please clip and send your box tops with your child to school, there's a collection box in the front office. Keep your eye out for a Box Tops contest and a collection sheet sent home with your child! Happy New Year and keep clipping!
- **Fourth grade parents:** Please email your child's baby photo to include in the yearbook by Friday, January 20th. Send the photo to Julie at jbegleyschmidt@yahoo.com. A high resolution image with a clear shot of your child's face works best. A digital photo or scanned photo will work. Files with jpeg, tiff or png extensions can all be used. Contact Julie if you need assistance. Thank you!
- **January birthday? Don't forget to sign up for Birthday books!** Please visit the [Harper PTO website](#) for more details!
- **Smile while shopping and help Harper School!** A % of your Amazon purchases will go back to Harper School by simply using Amazon Smile at www.smile.amazon.com. Be sure to select “Harper Parent Teacher Organization –Wilmette, IL” as your supporting organization and .5% of all your purchases goes back to the PTO. This is a great easy way to shop and benefit our school!

- **Contribute to the 2017 Harper Yearbook!** We want your photos from Halloween, 1st day of school, field trips, etc. Download the Jostens ReplayIt app today www.replayit.com (Password is HarperRocks) or email your photos directly to laurahirschtritt@hotmail.com or soniaesler@gmail.com
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All announcements to be included in the HarperHappenings should be sent to Yvonne Kelly via the Communication Request Form at www.harperpto.com **by Mondays at 9 AM.**

For more community news, visit see News>CommunityEvents on the [D39 web site](http://www.d39.org).

For more school information, visit the Harper PTO website: www.harperpto.com

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