

Route 40 Elementary School

Jacqueline Hawkins, Principal



December 1, 2023

"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." —Walt Disney



Book Fair

Our book fair will start on Monday, December 4 and run through Friday, December 8. Students may shop in the morning, parents are welcome to come in and shop with your child from 8:00-8:30.



eWallet

You can add money to an eWallet for your child to shop. If interested in the eWallet please use the following link [eWallet Link](#).



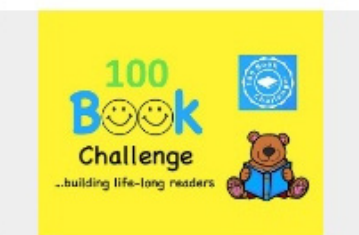
Online Shopping

You can shop online by using the [online link](#).



The Pie Shoppe Fundraiser

PTO Fundraiser:
All orders and money are due Wednesday, December 6.



Let's Read

Please sign the Reading Log so your children's teachers know that you are actively involved with the home.



Route 40 Spirit Wear

You can shop at the following link for a school spirit wear. Orders will be delivered to the school.

wednesday, December 6.
Orders will be available to pick up Friday, December 22. Please make checks payable to Route 40 PTO.

involved with the home reading. The expectation is for students to read for 30 minutes at school each day and 30 minutes at home each night. Each step is 15 minutes so 2 steps would equal 30 minutes. We will be incentivizing the reading program and students will earn a charm and a certificate for every 100 books read. Smart is not something you are. Smart is something you become. Reading makes us all smarter. We are so excited to take on this reading challenge with you! Thank you for your support!

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<https://rt-40-23.spiritsale.com/>



DECEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					01	02
03	Book Fair 04	Book Fair 05 Staff Development 12:15 Dismissal	Book Fair 06 Make up picture day	Book Fair 07	Book Fair 08 Kindergarten to Polar Express	09
10	11	12	Bocce Ball @ NHS Santa's Workshop 13	14 Santa's Workshop	15 Christmas Program Santa's Workshop	16
17	18	19	Bocce Ball @ Garrett College Grades 2-4 to Hickory 20	21 Grades K,1,5 to Hickory	22 12:15 Dismissal	23
24	25 Schools Closed	26 Schools Closed	27 Schools Closed	28 Schools Closed	29 Schools Closed	30
31	Jan 1 Schools Closed					

December Happenings:

- 4th-8th - Book Fair
- 5th - 12:15 Dismissal
- 6th - Make up Picture Day
- 8th - Kindergarten Polar Express
- 13th-15th - Santa's Workshop

13th - Bocce Ball @ NHS
 15th - Christmas Program
 20th - Bocce Ball @ GC
 20th - Grades 2-4 to Hickory
 21st - Grades K, 1, 5 to Hickory
 22nd - 12:15 Dismissal
 25th- Jan 1st - Winter Break, Schools Closed



Weekly Breakfast & Lunch Menu 🍕

4	5	6	7	8
Fish Sandwich Yogurt Parfait Chicken Nuggets Sweet Potato Fries Peas Mixed Vegetables Whole Grain Donut, Cereal, Mixed Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk	Rib Patty Sandwich Nut & Cheese Bistro Box Pizza French Fries Pineapple Baked Beans Sausage Biscuit, Cereal, Raisins, Fruit Juice, Milk	Macaroni & Cheese Chef Salad Chicken Patty Sandwich Peas Peaches Corn Muffin, Cereal, Pear Cup, Orange Pineapple Juice, Milk	Cheese Ravioli Nut & Cheese Bistro Box Pizza Tossed Salad Orange Wedges Oven Roasted Vegetables Waffle, Cereal, Strawberry Applesauce Cup, Grape Juice, Milk	Walking Tacos Chef Salad Pepperoni Roll Carrot Sticks Mixed Fruit Rice Krispy Treat Cinnamon Roll, Cereal, Orange Wedges, Apple Juice, Milk



Reminders

Changes in Transportation

Please remember that if there are ANY changes to your students transportation, you must send a note in with your child or call the school at 301-689-6132, please make sure that you speak to someone, do not leave a message. If the phones are down, the messages don't always come through until later. **We ask that you please do not email Mrs. Bolden or your child's teacher with the change, we may not see the email in time.** If you have questions please contact Mrs. Bolden.

Advance Absence Approval

If your child will be absent for personal reasons(vacations) and you know in advance, there is a form that needs to be filled out and signed by the classroom teacher and Mrs. Hawkins. You can email Mrs. Bolden or send a note and request the form be sent home with your child a week prior to the absence. Any questions please feel free to contact the office.

School Messenger

As we head into the winter months, please take a moment to double check your contact information in school messenger to ensure that you will receive a phone call or text for delays and school closures. Instructions can be found on the Garrett County Schools Website. Please let Mrs. Bolden if you need assistance.

Jingle Bell Jukebox

Our Christmas program is scheduled for Friday, December 15th. There will be two performances, 10:00 - 11:00 and 1:30 - 2:30. Please keep in mind that the second performance tends to be more popular, if you are able to come to first performance please do so. Student are encouraged to practice at home as well by using this [link](#).



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