

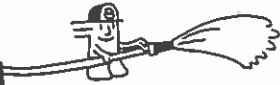
Home & School

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Highway Elementary School
Nancy Bonner, Principal



SHORT NOTES

Put memory to work

Many card games build *working*, or short-term, memory. This kind of memory lets your youngster remember and use information he learned recently. Play Go Fish or Crazy Eights together. By keeping track of which cards have been played, your child will make better moves!

Taking the lead

You may have heard the phrase “a born leader.” But leadership skills, such as speaking up and taking initiative, can be learned. Encourage your youngster to practice during group projects. For example, she might suggest a way to divide up tasks or offer to give the introduction during the group’s class presentation.

Busy parents can volunteer

Whether you have a little time or a lot, you can pitch in at your child’s school. Ask teachers and PTO or PTA officers for ways to volunteer that fit your schedule. Maybe you’ll listen to students read for 20 minutes during your lunch break or compile families’ book catalog orders on the weekend.

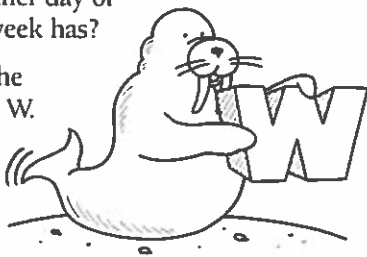
Worth quoting

“If opportunity doesn’t knock, build a door.” *Milton Berle*

JUST FOR FUN

Q: What does Wednesday have that no other day of the week has?

A: The letter W.



Smart discipline

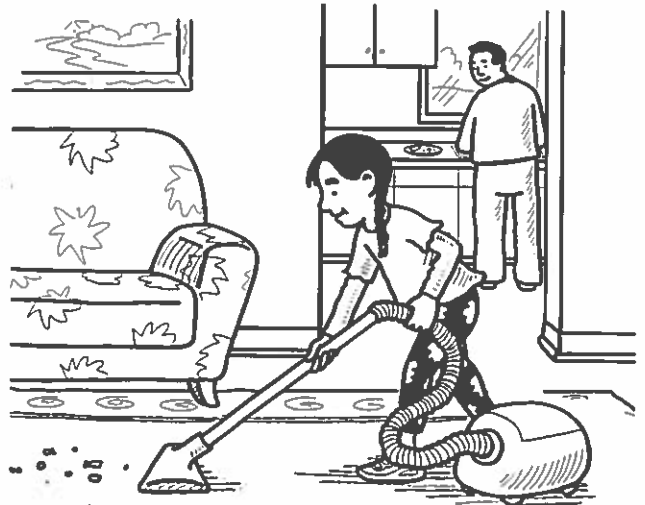
Disciplining your child is all about guidance. You’re training her to follow rules and behave in an acceptable way—without your nagging or yelling. Consider these strategies to make discipline easier and more effective.

Stay positive

Rather than telling your youngster what she *can’t* do, try explaining what she *can* do. Instead of “Don’t shove your brother,” you might say, “Keep your hands to yourself, and politely ask Billy to move out of the way.” Giving your child clear instructions will inspire her to cooperate.

Watch body language

When you correct your youngster, speak face-to-face rather than calling to her from across the room or another part of the house. You could get down on her level, gently touch her shoulder, and speak softly. Sensing that you’re in control of yourself will keep her calm so she focuses on what you’re saying.



Be consistent

If your child breaks a rule, announce a consequence right away. This helps her see cause and effect. For example, if she eats in the living room and that’s not allowed, ask her to vacuum up the crumbs right away. *Tip:* Being consistent with consequences shows that you’re serious. If she knows you won’t change your mind, she’ll be better about sticking to the rules.♥

Engineering at play

Every time your youngster has fun on the playground swings, he has engineers to thank! Let him explore engineering for himself by constructing a play swing set.

He might use craft sticks for the frame, yarn for the chains, and cardboard for the seat.

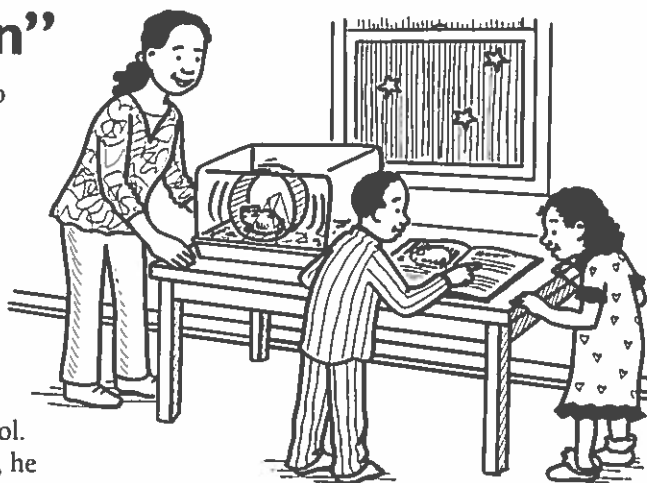
How could he make a swing that gives a longer “ride”? Suggest that he adjust the length of the “chains,” and then test it each time. He can set a timer for one minute, pull back the seat, and count the swings per minute. What does he notice? (The shorter the chains, the more swings per minute.)♥



“I love to learn”

Children devote more energy to learning when they're motivated. These ideas will boost your youngster's thirst for knowledge.

Show enthusiasm. Tell your child what you learn. (“I found out that about 90 percent of the world's population lives in the Northern Hemisphere!”) Also, ask him to teach you information he learns in school. If he's studying nocturnal animals, he might explain to you why his hamster runs on its wheel at night. He'll see learning as an



everyday activity for kids and grown-ups, and your attitude will be contagious.

Inspire curiosity. Express interest when your youngster poses questions. If he asks why we get the hiccups or whether owls really are wise, you could say, “That's a good question! Let's find out together.” Then, help him look up the topic in a library book or online. When you discover the answer, encourage him to share it with friends or relatives so they can learn more, too.♥

ACTIVITY CORNER

Frosty science

With this experiment, your child can see frost and learn why people sprinkle salt on icy sidewalks and roads.

How? Have your youngster rinse out two empty soup cans, remove the labels, and fill each can halfway with ice. She should stir $\frac{1}{4}$ cup salt into just one can and set both cans aside.



What happens? After 10 minutes, she'll notice frost on the “salty can” and water on the other one.

Why? Salt lowers the melting point of the ice, so the can with salt got colder than the other can. When water in the air condensed onto the cans, it froze into frost on the one with salt. That's why salt is useful in winter—it melts snow and ice, making it safer to walk or drive.♥

Q & A

Grit: A family challenge

Q: My son wanted to learn to ice skate, but he changed his mind after he fell one time. How can I teach him not to give up when something is tough?

A: Children (and adults) may believe they should be able to easily do whatever they try right away. Understanding that setbacks are normal will help your son develop grit, or perseverance toward long-term goals.

Talk about times when you were successful even though you struggled at first. Maybe you were afraid to put your face in the water but you learned to swim by taking lessons and working hard to overcome your fear.

Then, consider having a “family grit challenge.” Each person can choose one thing to tackle that is hard for him and requires persistence, such as following a fitness routine or cutting back on screen time. Compare notes after a month, and then set your next goals!♥



PARENT TO PARENT

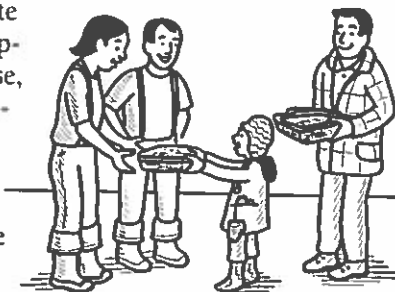
Making a difference

I wanted my daughter, Charlotte, to learn about the importance of helping our community.

While grocery shopping one day, we saw a sign announcing that each customer could pick a favorite charity for the store to support. I let Charlotte choose, and she decided on a non-profit that benefits kids with cancer. Now every time we buy groceries, she reminds me that we're helping sick children.

That led us to think of other ways kids can make a difference. Recently, we decided to bake brownies and take them to the fire station. I explained that this would show appreciation for the hard work that firefighters do.

Charlotte felt proud when the firefighters thanked her. I realized that the more ways we can find to serve our community, the more likely it will become a habit as she gets older.♥



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To provide busy parents with practical ideas that promote school success, parent involvement, and more effective parenting.

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Dear Friends,

For the 19th year, the Nanuet school community will be working on an exciting project during the holiday season.

We are going to select letters sent to People to People from needy Rockland County families and then shop at local stores to buy clothing and toys for the children we "adopt". In addition to doing a good deed, the students in the Life Skills Class will get a real lesson in shopping on a budget. This year, more than ever, so many families in Rockland County are in dire need of help!

Last year, with the support of friends and the entire Nanuet Community, we collected **over \$5,000.00 in cash and gifts!** We were able to purchase clothing and toys for 35 children. Each child also received a hat, a pair of gloves, and socks and underwear donated by the students in grades K-8. We were able to deliver a warm coat for everyone who asked for one. Also, everyone who needed sheets, blankets and towels were so happy to receive them.

For the last 13 years we have been able to give each family a gift basket loaded with toiletry items for their homes. The baskets are put together by students in classes 4KM, and 4AM using the items donated by students at Highview, as well as staff and families from all 4 buildings in the Nanuet school district. **Donations of all toiletry items are needed since families can't use food stamps to purchase them.**

How can you help?

Donate new toiletry items to classes 4KM and 4AM at Highview!

Donations of the following items would be greatly appreciated:
soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, laundry detergent, band aids, Q-tips, socks, shaving cream, toothbrushes, toothpaste.

Thank you so much for your help with this worthy community effort!

Sincerely,

Classes 4AM and 4KM

4KM and 4AM's

Bagel Sale

November 9, 2018

Bagels are \$1.00.

Cream cheese or butter

Return slip to school no later than November 5th

*Money collected will be donated to People to People
'Project Joy'*

Name _____ Class code _____

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How can you help?

- By making a donation to help us shop for the children we adopt. Your donation can be cash or a check made out to: **Nanuet Union Free School District**. Please write “People to People” on the memo line.
- By donating new toys or clothing.
- By donating any new toiletry items.
- Participate in one of our fund raisers.
- Visit the School Store and give a “Helping Hand” by selecting smaller items from a child’s Wish List

Please return donations to **Nancy Logan @ Nanuet Senior High School** by Monday, **November 26th** (right after Thanksgiving). Contributions can also be mailed or dropped off in the Main Office of the high school – Attention: Nancy Logan.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

Sincerely,
Nancy Logan



Calling all Highview and Miller Parents

We are in need of volunteers for Highview's Book Fair

Friday Nov. 9, Tuesday Nov. 12 – Friday Nov. 16

WE NEED YOU to make this a wonderful experience for your children! Please consider volunteering, even for an hour.



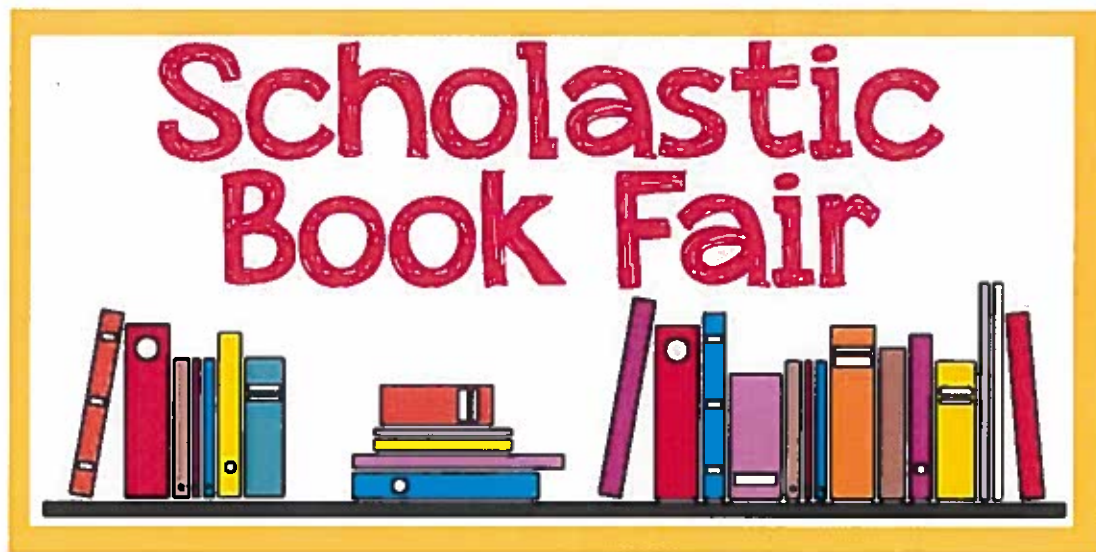
Sign Up with the link below or email Nanuetpta@gmail.com with the dates and times you can help.

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2526164/false#/invitation>



THANK YOU!





The Highview Book Fair will be open for parents to stop by and shop during day parent/teacher conferences from 12:30-3:30 on Thursday November 15th.

Please stop in and browse our Teacher Wishlists and perhaps purchase a book for your child's classroom, lots of great gift ideas will be available as well for the holidays!

Located on the lower level..

Follow book fair arrows

Email any questions to
Ddemersky@gmail.com



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BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!!

The Nanuet Elementary PTA is running our Annual Thanksgiving/
Holiday Carousel Cake Fundraiser. To order, complete and submit the
form on the back of this sheet with cash or check (made out to **Nanuet
Elementary PTA**) in an envelope labeled **Carousel Cakes** or visit our
website at nanuetelementary.com no later than **November 9th**. We will
not be able to fulfill orders after the due date. No exceptions!

Pickup for cakes and pies will be **Tuesday, November 20th** between
4pm and 7pm at **George Miller Elementary School**. If you can not pick
up your orders please make arrangements to have them picked up by
someone else. We have no storage so please mark your calendars!!!!

If you have any questions please email Liliana Somma at
lillynyc@aol.com or Dena Demersky at ddemersky@gmail.com.

Let's make this fundraiser a success!!!!

Due November 9, 2018

NO SUBSTITUTIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

	Cost per Pie	Quantity	Total
10" inch Pies			
Apple	\$16.00		
Apple Crumb	\$16.00		
Blueberry Crumb	\$16.00		
Cherry Crumb	\$16.00		
Coconut Custard	\$16.00		
Pecan *	\$16.00		
Pumpkin	\$16.00		
Pumpkin Cheese	\$16.00		
Tollhouse *	\$16.00		
7 inch Cakes	Cost Per Cake	Quantity	Total
NY Cheese Cake	\$18.00		
Marble Cheese Cake	\$18.00		
Chocolate Chip	\$18.00		
NY Blackout	\$18.00		
Mousse Supreme	\$18.00		
Black and White Mousse	\$18.00		
Carrot Spice *	\$18.00		
Total Due:			

* indicates nuts

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Child's Name: _____ Class Code: _____



Nanuet Elementary PTA

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Nanuet Elementary PTA 2018 -2019 Membership Registration

Please consider joining us and making a difference in your child's educational experience! Our children benefit tremendously when families get involved with the PTA. Your membership dues help fund a wide variety of fun and engaging programs and events for all the students at George W. Miller and Highview Elementary throughout the school year:

- Author Visits · Character Building Assemblies
- Cultural Arts Assemblies · Family Nights · Halloween Happenings
- PARP Night · 2nd Grade Celebration
- 4th Grade Fun Day and Moving-Up Ceremony · 4th Grade Yearbook
- Welcome Back Family Picnic · and more!

To become a member, complete the registration form and return it with payment (cash or check) to your child's class in an envelope labeled **PTA Membership**. Make checks payable to **Nanuet Elementary PTA**. You can also visit nanuetelementary.com and purchase a membership in our store. We greatly appreciate your support!

_____ **\$25 Family**

_____ **\$15 Individual**

Name(s)

(For Family membership, include all parent / guardian names.)

Address

Phone #

Email*

*For Family membership, be sure to provide an email address for each member in order to receive a NYS PTA membership eCard.

Check if you would like to receive email updates on upcoming PTA activities.

Child's Name – First and Last

Class Code

Child's Name – First and Last	Class Code
_____	_____
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If you would like to be added to our Facebook page, please provide your Facebook Name: _____



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Nanuet Elementary PTA 2018 - 2019 inscripción de miembros

¡Por favor, considere unirse a nosotros y hacer una diferencia en la experiencia educativa de su hijo! Nuestros niños se benefician tremendamente cuando las familias se involucran con la PTA. Sus cuotas de membresía ayudan a financiar una amplia variedad de programas y eventos divertidos y atractivos para todos los estudiantes de George W. Miller y Highview durante el año escolar:

- Visitas de autor • Asambleas de crecer como carácter
- Asambleas de la Artes Culturales • Noches Familiares • Halloween Happenings
- Noche de PARP • Celebración del 2º Grado
- Ceremonia de Graduación y Día de Diversión del 4º Grado • Anuario del 4º Grado
- Bienvenido de Nuevo Picnic Familiar • y más!

Para hacerse miembro, complete el formulario de registro y devuélvalo con el pago (efectivo o cheque) a la clase de su hijo en un sobre etiquetado como Membresía de la PTA. Haga los cheques a nombre de Nanuet Elementary PTA. También puede visitar nanuetelementary.com y comprar una membresía en nuestra tienda. ¡Estamos muy agradecidos por su apoyo!

_____ \$25 Familia

_____ \$15 Individual

Nombre(s) _____

(Para membresías familiares, incluye los nombres de todos los padres o guardianes)

Dirección _____

de teléfono _____

Email _____

*(Es muy importante incluir su Email porque va a recibir una tarjeta de membresía NYS PTA por Email.)

Marca si quiere recibir noticias por Email sobre próximas actividades PTA.

Nombre del niño(a) – Nombre y apellido

Código de Clase

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EL CENTRO DE RECURSOS DE FAMILIA – NANUET

EN EQUIPO CON PARTNERSHIP WITH ROCKLAND 21ST CENTURY COLLABORATIVE FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH

Presentan:

LA CRIANZA PRACTICA DE LOS NIÑOS

Orador: Dr. Najafi de RCPC

Quien facilitará este programa de seis sesiones que enfocará y enforzará el desarrollo de habilidades para padres y/o guardianes

Los Participantes (Padres) aprenderán a:

- Permanecer calmados(a) y ayudar a su niño a desarrollar autocontrol
- Enriquecer las relaciones con su niño
- Reforzar sus conductas positivas de niño
- Abrir líneas de comunicación con su niño
- Aumentar su propia confianza en si mismo asi como la de sus niños

Matrícula Gratis - Abierta a padres de idioma Español

El Libro "La Crianza Practica de los niños" será proporcionado

Certificados serán concedidos

DONDE: ESCUELA ELEMENTAL- GEORGE MILLER
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
50 Blauvelt Rd Nanuet NY 10954

CUANDO: Martes en la tarde 6:30PM-8:00 PM

FECHAS: Noviembre 6, 20 , 27, Diciembre 4,11 y 18

***GUARDERIA:** Para reservar un espacio para su niño, favor llamar a los teléfonos:
Rosa Liyim 845-267-2172 Ext.283
Cell 845-570-3459 /
Roseanne Mercado 845-627-4889

REGISTRO: Llene el formulario debajo y traigalo con Ud.
El primer dia de clases.

Si, me gustaría registrarme para: " La Crianza practica de los niños"

Nombre del Niño: _____ Edad del niño(a) _____

Nombre del Padre: _____ Teléfono #: _____

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