

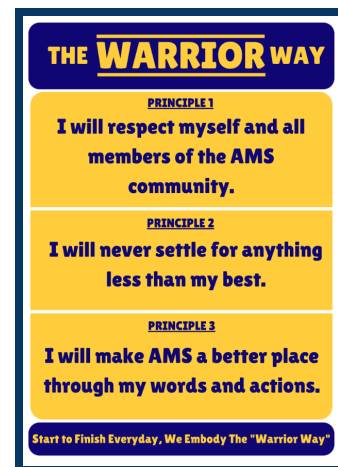


**January 17, 2024**

## **WARRIOR WAY ASSEMBLIES - THURS AND FRI**

Each marking period we gather to celebrate the three principles of Respect, Effort and Action that make up our school's "Warrior Way." Teams 2, 4 and 6 will attend this quarter's assembly coming up on Thursday (1/18) and Teams 1, 3 and 5 will attend on Friday (1/19).

This time we're focused on setting and pursuing personal goals. Following the assemblies we will send an email with links and discussion questions for families. Thank you for your continued support of our school as we develop a strong, positive school culture for our students.



## **TEAM BUILDING TUESDAY - 1/23**



Our next Team Building Tuesday will take place on January 23. This month our focus is on developing a growth mindset.

Students will engage in a community building circle discussion activity focused on growing through challenges and setting goals. Students will then learn about "S.M.A.R.T." goals and apply this concept to goals they have for the remainder of the academic year.

Each student will receive a goal setting sheet and a sheet protector to keep in the front of their binder as a reminder of this goal and the steps required for success. We encourage you to check in with your child on Tuesday evening to see what their goals are and what steps can be taken to support them. Thank you!

# January AMS Builders Club Collection

We are collecting the following:

Standard Size Pillows  
Standard Size Pillowcases  
Twin Bedding  
Blankets  
January 3-29th



The collection box is located outside the AMS main office. All items collected will be donated to Joseph's House in Troy.



## WINTER APO NEWS



As always, thank you all for your support with everything going on at AMS!!!! It has been a quiet winter because of the holidays but fun things are coming!!! Here's what is coming up!



**CHANGE OF DATE!!!!!!**

**February 15th - 2:30-4:00**

Because of a gym conflict, we had to move the date of the luau. There will be snacks, games, beach ball volleyball, limbo, and even a hula hoop competition!! Sign ups will come out closer to the event!



**“We LOVE our AMS Teachers” - If you are interested in sending in a little something to help restock the faculty room to say thank you to the staff of AMS, [please sign up here!](#) This will be the last of the restocks for the school year!**



Our last APO Meeting will be on March 18th from 7-8 in the AMS Library. We will be discussing all of our end of the year events like Teacher Appreciation Bfast, 6-8 School Dance (NEW TO CALENDAR), Spring Movie Night, 8th Grade Dance and Graduation!!!! We hope to see you there and thank you all for such a successful year!

## **FROM THE AMS LIBRARY**

### **FROM COMMON SENSE MEDIA: "Help Boost Kids' Safety, Privacy, and Security"**

Common Sense Media has provided great tips that you can discuss with your child:

<https://www.commonsense.org/education/family-tips/6-12-privacy-and-security>

### **SAVE THE DATE FOR THE JANUARY BOOK CLUB**

The Pleasure Read Book Club returns on Thursday, January 18th. If your child would like to join us, they can bring a middle school level book of their choice. Students need to sign up. To sign up, they will need to let Mrs. Ekstrom know, in person or they can email her at [ekstromr@apcsd.org](mailto:ekstromr@apcsd.org)

### **EMAGAZINES THROUGH SORA**

Your child has access to always available digital magazines! You can find magazines for every subject in the Sora app, which your child may already be using for ebooks and audiobooks. The collection includes current issues and back issues for education and entertainment today. The best part? Each issue can be borrowed by as many people at a time as needed, with no waiting.



Check out the collection [HERE!](#)

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## CHROMEBOOK PREPAREDNESS

If your child forgets their Chromebook or arrives at school with its battery dead, three times in one quarter, they will have lunch detention. Having their Chromebook in school, charged and ready to go is part of their job as a student. Additionally we have a very limited number of loaner Chromebooks that need to be utilized by students who may be experiencing a technical issue. Please encourage your child to charge it and bring it to school as part of their after school routine. Thank you.



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## FROM THE NORTH GREENBUSH PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Tween Book Club:** Our Tween Book club will meet again on Saturday, January 27 at 12:30 in the Children's Room to discuss the novel *Hoot* by Carl Hiaasen. Books are available at the circulation desk. The meeting will include book discussion, a macramé owl craft and snacks. All kids ages 10-13 are welcome!

**LEGO Club:** Calling all builders! Join us for LEGO Club on Monday, January 22 from 5:30 to 6:30 in the Children's Room. You bring the imagination, we supply the LEGO!

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## FROM THE POESTENKILL PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Read S'more Books:** It's time to Read S'more Books! Have you signed up for our Winter Reading Program yet? It starts today, runs through February 25th, and includes some fabulous prizes for ALL ages!

Sign up the next time you're in the library or you can register online now by following this link:  
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/18Q-a-Za5cudl-XJa7BMDY693KNPjHmKD9WerPvBUWjQ/edit>

Happy Reading!