

# Windsor Central School District

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Greetings to all our Palmer Families,

What a busy month November has been! Our annual Veteran's Day program, parent conferences, Family Reading Extravaganza, After-School Enrichment, Rube Goldberg competition, and the kick –off to our new Student-to-Student high school mentor program have combined to keep the halls here at school buzzing with activity this month! As always, I enjoy having the opportunity to stop and chat with each of you as you find yourself here in the building, and remain impressed at all you are doing to support your child's learning both here at school and out in the community as well. Palmer certainly has great parents and it shows in your on-going level of commitment and involvement.

As we approach Dec. there are two special PTA (PATS) sponsored events that I wanted to make you aware of. The annual Breakfast with Santa and Craft Day are both being held this year on Saturday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. The breakfast begins at 8 am and Craft day begins promptly at 10am. I know a flyer with the specific information has already been sent home, but I just wanted to take a minute to advertise and endorse these special events as well. Last year over 100 families and community members came together to enjoy a delicious breakfast and some delightful fellowship and we look forward to having the opportunity to experience that again this year. So come on out to Palmer on the morning of December 11<sup>th</sup>. You'll be glad you did!

In closing I just have two brief housekeeping items to share. The first is a reminder to send your children dressed for the weather. We will continue to take them outside for fresh air and recess right up until the temperature drops below the freezing mark so please make sure they are adequately dressed for outdoor activity. Second, I wanted to make everyone aware that we have moved the start time of our monthly PATS meetings up to 6pm (previous start time was 6:30). It has been great to see some new faces at these meetings and, as always, we encourage you to come on down and join us.

Until next month,

Jamie Bernard

The mission of A.F. Palmer Elementary School is to provide a child-centered environment where every individual feels safe, nurtured and valued and the students, staff, families and community work together to inspire each learner to reach his or her full potential.