



Alpine Elementary School October Newsletter

October 2012

Principal's Message

We're off to a great start!

As always, it was a pleasure seeing everyone at our Open House and Back-to-School nights in September. Teachers and students alike have successfully navigated the transition to a new building and we have quickly begun to feel comfortable in our new home here at Alpine Elementary School.

I look forward to an exciting and challenging year. Your first avenue for asking questions or voicing concerns should always begin with your child's classroom teacher. Please know that I am available to meet with you in person or talk to you over the telephone to discuss any further issues or to assist you in any way I can.

Mr. Leone, Principal

Character Education

Alpine Elementary and the Sparta Township Public School, in conjunction with others across New Jersey, start this month with a Week of Respect, October 1-5, in keeping with the new HIB legislation.

Throughout this week and month, our students will be participating in various activities to focus on ways to create a positive school climate in which everyone and everything is treated with care, compassion and respect.

Please find below a list of building happenings and classroom activities that will be occurring during the Week of Respect and during the month of October.

1. Our character education theme this month is respect.
2. As a school we will be wearing yellow on the last Friday of the month for respect.
3. Our guidance lessons in the classrooms will be focusing on respect this month.
4. I will be making an announcement each morning of the Week of Respect giving the students something to do each day to show respect.

Mrs. Yanoff, Guidance Counselor

Upcoming Events

October

1 st -5 th	Week of Respect
1 st -5 th	Scholastic Book Fair
5 th	1 st Grade Trip to Windy Brow Farm
5 th	Spirit Wear Day
8 th	Schools Closed
10 th	PTO Meeting at 7pm
11 th	Picture Retake Day
19 th	Wear Yellow for Respect
23 rd	Parent Presentation Regarding NJ Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act at 7 pm at Sparta High School
31 st	Halloween Parades First Grade: 9:30-10:00 Second Grade: 10:30-11:00 Third Grade: 1:30-2:00

November

2 nd	Spirit Wear Day
8 th -9 th	Schools Closed
11 th -16 th	American Education Week
14 th	End of First Marking Period
15 th -20 th	Parent/Teacher Conferences
18 th	Harlem Wizards Game at SHS
21 st	Early Dismissal
22 nd	SEF Turkey Trot
22 nd & 23 rd	Schools Closed
26 th	Report Cards Posted

PTO

Our PTO has been a valuable asset in preparing for the start of the school year. I would like to thank everyone who has supported their efforts. Please visit the PTO section of our [website](#) to find out how you can continue to support them and find information about upcoming events.

One of our biggest fundraising activities of the year will be on Sunday, November 18th at Sparta High School. Staff and community members will be taking on the Harlem Wizards on the basketball court. Please bring the family to enjoy an entertaining afternoon.

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