

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

December 5th—PTSO Meeting 5:30 PM Gym  
 December 22nd—Early Dismissal (12:30)  
 December 23rd-January 2nd—  
 Christmas Vacation — NO SCHOOL

**W.R. CROMAN PRIMARY STUDENT OF THE MONTH**

**KINDERGARTEN:** Delilah E., Mylah C., Arica G., Piper K., Jackson C., Rosalynn K.

**FIRST GRADE:** Hunter M., Remi D., Harper A., Lee B., Kira T.

**SECOND GRADE:** Hailey K., Lincoln S., Michael B., Legend W., Ben L.

***Welcome to our new Art Teacher,  
 Mrs. Lawrence.***



Mrs. Lawrence lives in Mansfield with her husband and two boys. They have a dog, Duffy; 2 cats, Max & Ruby; and have recently added 2 new kittens, Bunny and Snickerdoodle. Mrs. Lawrence went to IUP for Art Education and Mansfield University for her Master's in Art Education. She likes to draw, sew, knit, bake, read and watercolor paint. She is very excited to be teaching art in Troy.

***Welcome to our new Kindergarten  
 Teacher, Mrs. Wright.***

Mrs. Wright lives in Gillett with her husband and their GSP pup, Ruger. She graduated from Lock Haven University for Elementary and Special Education. When the snow starts flying, we enjoy spending time snowmobiling in the Adirondacks with family.



***Welcome to our new  
 Special Education  
 Teacher, Mrs. Allen.***

Mrs. Allen lives in Troy with her husband, three children and two cats, Kiki & Baja. She served in the United States Air Force and graduated from Mansfield University. Her hobbies include reading, running and delivering for Instacart in her free time.





# VETERANS DAY

## HONORING ALL THOSE WHO SERVED

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### Veterans Day

Veterans Day, in the United States, national holiday (November 11) honoring veterans of the armed forces and those killed in the country's wars. The observance originated in 1919 on the first anniversary of the 1918 armistice that ended World War I and was known as Armistice Day. It was commemorated in 1921 with the burial of an unknown soldier from World War I at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. Other countries that had lost soldiers in the conflict, such as Italy and Portugal, conducted similar ceremonies that year. The previous year, unknown soldiers had been interred at Westminster Abbey in London, England, and at the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, France. Veterans Day is celebrated on Friday, November 11, 2022.

November 11 became an official national holiday in the United States in 1938. In 1954 the name was changed to Veterans Day to honor those who had served in all U.S. wars. Ceremonies are held each year at the Tomb of the Unknowns, and floral tributes are placed on the graves of service men and women and at memorials throughout the country. Naturalization ceremonies have come to be an important part of the day's activities.

In Britain, Canada, Australia, and France November 11 is observed in honor of the veterans of World Wars I and II. In Britain the second Sunday of November is observed as Remembrance Sunday, and in Canada November 11 is observed as Remembrance Day. In Britain and the Commonwealth countries and in countries of Europe, it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11:00 AM on November 11, the time and date of the World War I armistice in 1918.

# Thank you!!





*Holiday Fun at W.R. Croman*



Dec. 5—Deck the Halls—making ornaments at school

Dec. 6—Quiet as a Mouse Slipper Day—wear your favorite slippers

Dec. 7—Let it Snow! - wear all the white you can today

Dec. 8—Holiday Sweater Day—wear a holiday sweater or sweatshirt

Dec. 9—Festive Friday—Wear all the green and red you can and bring a handful of coins for the animal shelter

Dec. 12—Mad about Plaid—wear your cozy flannels or your favorite pattern

Dec. 13—Oh “deer” Christmas is near— wear a reindeer shirt or some antlers

Dec. 14—Winter Wonderland—Wear your cozy pajamas and bring your favorite seasonal book.

Dec. 15—Ho!Ho!Ho! Holiday Hat Day—Wear a holiday hat, headband, or get creative with your hair

Dec. 16—Christmas Character Day—Dress as your favorite holiday movie or book character

Dec. 19—Candy Cane Day—Wear as much red and white as you can

Dec. 20—Rockin’Around the Christmas Tree—wear your favorite holiday hoopla

Dec. 21—Jingle all the way to the Green—we will be jingling and singing our way to the Green in Troy to spread some cheer



**In the spirit of giving we will be holding a canned food drive:**

*Week of:*

*December 5-9      Canned Vegetables for Lions Club*

*December 12-16    Cereal and Canned Fruit for CHOP*

*December 19-22    Soup, Pasta, and Rice for Troy Food Pantry*

## **Foster Grandparent Program**

The AmeriCorps Foster Grandparent Program helps guide students to higher academic achievement by helping in the classroom and provide the kind of comfort and love that sets a child on a path to a successful future.

W. R. Croman has 5 wonderful ladies that volunteer in our classrooms this year, and we would like to honor them this month. Thank you for your caring hearts, willingness to help the students thrive, and your love for each of the students. You are all priceless!!

**Emily Campbell**—“Grandma C” has been a Foster Grandparent for 7 years and is currently helping in Mrs. Wright’s classroom. Grandma C says the thing that she likes best about being a foster grandparent is “the interaction with the children and trying to help them process and understand the tasks they are given and giving positive feedback and encouragement to inspire them.”



**Mary Lou Comstock**—Grand Ma has been a Foster Grandparent for 1 year and is helping with Mrs. Morgan’s and Mrs. Berdine’s classrooms. Grand Ma says the thing she likes best about being a foster grandparent is working with children and helping the children that need one-on-one help.



Thank You!



**Rosalita Jones**—Grandma Rose has been a Foster Grandparent for 14 years and is currently helping in Mrs. Hoffmann’s classroom. Grandma Rose says the thing she likes best about being a foster grandparent is the hugs from the students in the morning when they come in the classroom. She likes to help them understand their work and enjoys working with them.

**Deb Stanton**—Nana has been a Foster Grandparent for 6 years and is currently helping in Mrs. White’s classroom. Nana says the thing she likes best about being a foster grandparent is that it is fun and a challenge. She enjoys helping them learn their numbers, ABC’s, consonant and vowel sounds, “love it”!

**Marilyn Smiley**—Grandma Smiley has been a Foster Grandparent for 5 years and is currently helping in Mr. Herbst’s classroom. Grandma says the thing she likes best about being a foster grandparent is - “Everything” - but mostly helping students with the alphabet, math, technology, music, gym, art, and STEM. Thank you Mr. Herbst for having me in your classroom, I really

