

# Titan Times

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The leaves changing, crisp morning air (almost) and shorter days are certain to signal that fall has arrived. During this season of change, we want to take a moment to show gratitude for a few things that remain a constant at

Ithica Elementary. We have students who strive for excellence in their academics and moral character, a staff that often sacrifices family time to plan and prepare for enriching activities throughout the school, parents who consistently support our school through word of mouth and contributions of money, time and talents and also a community of partners in education that often share their pride in this special place.

Enjoy celebrating the season with your family and let us all be grateful for the opportunity to spend our days with each other.

Mr Corbett and Mrs. Brown

### Counselor's Update

Prior to October's PTSO meeting, Rob Dial, Executive Director of the Prevention Advocacy Resource Center, presented information and parent training on Cyber Safety. The presentation included information on popular social media apps and the dangers associated with each, particularly focused on geotagging. Children and teenagers may not understand that, depending on their personal privacy settings and the app's usage of their information, tagging or checking into a location could become public information. While the use of technology in our schools and personal lives can be a great asset, we want to encourage safe and positive internet use. We were thrilled to provide this opportunity for parents to voice their concerns about online safety, and we hope the conversation continues! Some take-away tips from the presentation include knowing your school's BYOT policy, limiting the privacy settings on your child's social media apps, keeping open communication about technology with your family, and encouraging discretion online. If you are interested in a copy of the presentation or a list of major social media apps and their concerns, please contact the counselors. Safe surfing!

Sincerely,  
Eleanor Landman, Ed.S, NCC and Julie Tuttle, MSW

### Dates to Remember

#### November

November 11	Veterans Reception & Assembly (8:30 a.m.)
November 14	PTSO Meeting - Night at the Museum (6pm)
November 19	Dental Van
November 14-18	Book Fair
November 16	Thanksgiving Feast (Grades K-2)
November 17	Thanksgiving Feast (Grades 3-5)
November 21-25	Thanksgiving Break—No School

#### Looking Ahead

December 2	Donuts and Discussions (8:30 a.m.)
December 12	PTSO Meeting ~ Kindergarten Performs
December 12-16	Santa Shop
December 19-30	Holiday Break (No School)
January 2	Teacher Work Day (No School)
January 3	Student's Return To School

### Thanksgiving Feast Information

- Please bring exact change of **\$3.25** per person
- All visitors will be required to check-in with a **photo ID**.
- **Visitors should be listed on the student's Emergency Contact List , or the parent/guardian must send in a signed letter to the teacher prior to the lunch date indicating who has permission to have lunch with the student.**





## Title I Parent Resource Area



We invite you to visit the Title I Parent Resource Area at Ithica Elementary School. It is located in the Media Center and is open during school hours. We have very beneficial reading materials to help you provide the best assistance to your child's education.

We also have a game center that you can checkout flash cards and games for your own Family Game Night.

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Do we have everyone here today? That is the question! All of our classes have the opportunity to spin our Sparkly Spinner for our

Attendance Game when all the students are at school. They have the chance to win extra recess, silly sock day, jersey day, movie in the room, lunch outside and more! Help your child's class win a special prize by sending them to school every day! Attendance counts!!

**CCPRI Attendance % for October: 6.3%**

# Media Center News

The second nine weeks Accelerated Reader Party will be on Thursday, December 15, 2016. Students will watch a movie, play games, and enjoy hot chocolate. The last day to earn points for the nine weeks is Wednesday, December 14th. Students must reach their reading goal and have a clear library account (no overdue or lost library books) to participate in the AR party.

Thank you to everyone who has sent in craft supplies for the "Creation Station" in the media center. We will continue to accept donations throughout the school year to keep the area stocked for students. These items allow students to use their imaginations and create masterpieces when they visit the center.



The Crane Book Fair will be here November 14th-18th. It will be open each morning, during our November PTSO meeting and during our Thanksgiving feasts. Make plans now to come out and get a book before the Thanksgiving Break

## *Congratulations to our October Terrific Titans*

