



FORT PLAIN

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Students of the Month:

Harry Hoag School

Isabella Hearn	Grade K
Lainie McDuffee	Grade 1
Eliyhanna Brackett	Grade 2
Robert Davis	Grade 3
Dawson Tracki	Grade 4
Zachary Briggs	Grade 5
Marionna Stephens	Grade 6

Fitness Center Open to Public:

The Fitness Center at the Jr/Sr High School is open to the public on school days from January 2nd - April 30th. The hours are 5:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. daily, and again from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. There are no students permitted to use the center during these public hours. Membership cost for adult district residents is \$20/month. Non-district residents are \$30/month. Any senior citizen over the age of 65 is fee of charge. Membership payments are due the first of each month and are made through the district office.

Honors Athletic Teams:

Five of the Jr/Sr High School's varsity fall athletic teams were recently named Scholar-Athlete Teams by the NYS Public High School Athletic Association. To qualify for the honor, at least 75% of the team's roster must hold an overall grade point average of 90% or higher. The teams who qualified were:

Boys Cross Country	95.11
Girls Cross Country	94.79
Girls Soccer	90.935
Volleyball	90.908
Golf	90.327

For more information, and up-to-date news and photos:

visit our website: www.fortplain.org

Upcoming Events:

Jan 15: School Closed: MLK Day

1/22-1/26: HS Regents Week

Feb 2: 10:30 Dismissal all grades

Feb 2: Report Cards Mailed

Feb 7: Board of Education 6:00 pm

Feb 13: Elementary 4-6 dance 2:45

2/19-2/23 School Closed: winter break

Mission Statement: The Fort Plain Central School District will provide each student with the opportunity to develop intellectually, socially, emotionally, and physically in a safe, orderly and positive environment. Our goal is to prepare every student for success beyond graduation.

Health & Wellness Fair 2018: The Wellness Committees of the Fort Plain and Canajoharie Schools will host their annual "Community Health and Wellness Fair" on Saturday, April 14th from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the Harry Hoag Elementary School. This year's theme is "Start Your Day the Healthy Way" and will feature morning exercise and breakfast tips, as well as some healthy breakfast treats such as made-to-order omelets and homemade oatmeal with toppings. Students will have a chance to attend a soccer clinic, while adults enjoy a fitness class. The health fair will feature health screenings, massages, information for the aging, cooking demonstrations, mindfulness techniques, and much more. Any individual, business or organization who would like to have a table is invited to participate at no cost! Contact Lauri Broady at lauri.broady@canjo.org or lauri.broady@fortplain.org or call 518-993-4000 #1003 to register or to receive more information. The Annual Community Health and Wellness Fair is free and open to the public of all ages.

Quinn Jones in NYS Student Cabinet: Junior Quinn Jones was chosen to represent Fort Plain at this year's Student Cabinet assembled by New York State Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara. The group met on December 5th at Clarkson University's Schenectady Campus. Students in the cabinet represented ten school districts across Albany, Schenectady and Montgomery Counties. The students discussed challenges that local schools will be facing in the upcoming year, worked on a mock school district budget, and brainstormed ways to meet the growing demand for STEM classes, while also working to maintain arts and other programming. They found out just how difficult a balancing act public schools are facing, having to make choices between adding or maintaining a sports team vs. offering an AP class. Students noted the wide disparity in resources from district to district, with some schools enjoying state-of-the-art facilities while others struggle to fund safety and building issues. Assemblyman Santabarbara spoke of the importance of sharing this process with our future leaders and decision makers, saying "some students here are facing really different challenges." Thankfully, they all seemed up to the task.

Harry Hoag "Fun With Math" Achievers: At the December meeting, the following students reached 100-math-fact goals:

Sofia Bates	Subtraction	under 6 min
Jansheen Haider	Addition	under 5 min
Kierra St. Louis	Addition	under 4 min
Jayde TenEyck	Multiplication	under 4 min
Larry Sanders	Subtraction	under 4 min
Zionna Robarge	Addition	under 4 min
Summer Trumbull	Multiplication	under 3 min
Marionna Stephens	Subtraction	under 3 min
Dawson Tracki	Multiplication	under 2 min
Dylan Keane	Multiplication	under 2 min

Chess Club Begins: The annual Chess Club will run from January 9th - February 13th, with elementary students meeting on Tuesdays and Jr/Sr High School students meeting on Thursdays. Students learn fundamentals and game strategy skills, before moving on to compete in head-to-head games. The Chess Club is advised by Mr. Ted Arndt and Mrs. Libby Arndt.

"Mary Poppins" Cast Announced: The joint Fort Plain-Canajoharie Drama Club recently announced the cast for this year's musical, "Mary Poppins." The cast will be led by Vivian Hopkins as Mary Poppins, Connor Bowden as George, Quinn Jones as Winifred, and Aliza and John Hopkins as Jane and Michael Banks. Joining them will be Keagen Ford and Evan Smida as the narrators, Sophia Rogers as Miss Andrew, Rianna VanRenselaar as Mrs. Brill and Vicente Nunez as Robertson Ay. Rounding out the principals are Eliza Cechnicki as Bird Woman, Michael Daniels as Neleus, and Christian Jones as the Bank Chairman. "Mary Poppins" also stars Vikki Wilday as Miss Lark, Sarah Bowden as Mrs. Corry, Max Richtmyer as the Park Keeper, Cameron Brownell as VonHussler, and Luke Doxtater as Northbrook. Further cast includes: Sayge Ruffino-Mosher, Tori Rocas, Bretton Scofield, Alexia Hill, Maura DiMezza, Charles Schermerhorn, Ashlin Tubbs, Mathea Leonard, and Vincenzo DiCrescenzo. The musical is directed by Will Ryan and Lauri Broady, with musical direction by Norma Bowley. Joining them are costumer Lisa Hill, Stage Manager Ron Hill, Set Manager Jim Fiaschetti, Technical Manager Michael Broady, and choreographer Tina Goldswier. Filling out the stage and technical crew are Jenn Cechnicki, Garrett Oeser, Rob Rogers, Willow MaGinnis, Zack Rogers, Lilli MacVilla, and Michael Hoffman. "Mary Poppins" will be performed at the Canajoharie High School on March 23rd and 24th at 7:00 p.m. and March 25th at 2:00 p.m.

Elementary Student Council Elections: Students in grades 4-6 recently had the opportunity to represent the student body by running to serve on this year's Elementary Student Council. Students had to complete an application, telling why they felt they would be a good student representative and outlining some of the things that they would like to accomplish as a Student Council member. Each candidate made posters and flyers, sharing their platform and message with other students by papering the halls with their messages for one week. The campaign culminated with 6th grade students making a short speech in the gym, introducing themselves and explaining why they felt that they would do a good job as an officer leading the Student Council. Following homeroom elections with paper ballots, the 2017-2018 Elementary Student Council was announced:

President	Brady Keane
Vice President	Emily Palmeri
Treasurer	Sebastian Baxter
Secretary	Delana Tracki
Sixth Grade Reps:	Ethan Hubbard Marionna Stephens
Fifth Grade Reps:	Payton Landry Jed Douglas Vienna Jackson Jazzy Lapi
Fourth Grade Reps:	Owen Castellano Anthony Chavarria Dylan Keane Josephia Carcasole Dawson Tracki