

# Patrick Hamilton Elementary School



Building Times: 8:56 am – 3:57 pm Half Day: 12:10 pm

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## Building Schedule of Events

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Jan. 13	Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	
Jan. 20	No School- Teacher Record Day	
Jan. 22	Popcorn Day	
Jan. 23	Family Fun Night 6 - 7:30 p.m.	
Jan. 24	District Spelling Bee @ PAC	
Jan. 28	PTO Meeting 5 p.m.	

### **SOUP CANS**

We need your empty, clean soup cans! 5th graders will be making soup can bongos in art to use in the Spring music program. Please turn them in to your art teacher.

### **VOLUNTEER FORMS**

Volunteer forms need to be completed every year. Remember these need to be filed before you can go on any field trips or help in classrooms. The form is available in the office or on the Dowagiac Union Schools website under parent resources.

### **COLLECTING BOX TOPS AND FAMILY FARE RECEIPTS**

Please save you Box Tops and Family Fare receipts. Both collections will benefit our school with additional funds to purchase school supplies and field trips for our students. Thank you for your help!



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## **WINTER WEATHER**

It is that time of year that we need to make sure that our students are prepared for the winter weather. Please send your student ready with gloves, hats and snowpants. Please make sure to put your students name inside of their garments if possible.

## **PARENT DROP OFF, MESSAGES AND EARLY PICK UP**

Our building doors are locked until 8:30. Please us the turn around in the front parking lot to drop off your child, do not let them out in the middle of the parking lot to walk through cars! Mrs. Cooper is there to greet your children and direct them to the path they are to use to enter the building. **Do not drop your children off at the front door before 8:30 and do not drive in the bus parking area.**

The end of the day is a difficult time to release students early and make sure all students have their messages. If there is a change in the way a child is going home or if a message needs to be delivered, you will need to contact our office **prior to 2:30 pm**. Interrupting classes to call students to the office also distracts other students and interrupts the classroom routines. Please try to limit early dismissal to emergency situations and special circumstances.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Please have your child here on time. If your child arrives after 9:30, they will be marked absent for the morning. If your child is absent, please report your child's absence by calling the office. If your child's absence is not reported, you will receive an automated phone call asking why your child isn't present. Children that leave before 3:20 will be marked absent for the afternoon.

## **December Student of the Month- Lucy Mead**

Lucy loves to tell stories and jokes. She likes to make people laugh. She is kind to everyone. When one student didn't have a partner to do a science experiment, she said that student could be her partner. If someone gets hurt, she is the first person to ask if they are okay. She gets along with everyone and considers everyone her friend.

Lucy loves to learn. She really loves doing science experiments. Everything doesn't come easy to her, but that doesn't stop her. She is a very hard worker. She is so excited when she learns something new or has completed a goal she is working on. Her face just lights up. I know that if she keeps up the hard work, Lucy will accomplish all of her goals and be successful in whatever she decides to do in the future.

Her favorite colors are blue and black. Her favorite food is chocolate popartars. Her favorite subject in school is math. The best thing she likes about school is meeting new friends. Congratulations to Mrs. Kurland's student of the month!

