## FLORENCE RIDEOUT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## LYNDEBOROUGH CENTRAL SCHOOL

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## Principal's Report: 11/13/2018 Lyndeborough Central School/Florence Rideout Elementary School

During our *Early Release Day* on **October 31**<sup>st</sup> classroom and special education teachers spent time with our Math consultant Ann Mordecai from Demonstrated Success. Staff learned about our new fact fluency common assessment protocols, shared effective instructional strategies regarding word problems and how to utilize effective math manipulatives and tools to promote mathematical thinking.

We are fortunate again this year to be able to offer Morning Math Lab for our students. This is an opportunity for all students in grades 3-5 to use engaging math applications and computer programs, such as, *Xtra Math, IXL* and *Prodigy Math*, to strengthen number sense, reinforce fact fluency skills or to extend their learning into more challenging math. This occurs before the start of school and all third, fourth, and fifth grade students are strongly encouraged to attend. Mrs. Kristen Dame and Ms. Kim Swanson from our W.I.N. Program will facilitate the Math Lab Program beginning **November 5<sup>th</sup>**.

Students and staff honored our local veterans during our Veterans Day ceremony on Friday, **November 9**<sup>th</sup>. This event, coordinated by our new music teacher, Mrs. Claudette Barker, featured students performing patriotic songs, poems and guest speakers that focused the recognition of service and expression of our gratitude to our service men and women and love of country.

The success of our students comes from the team of parents, teachers, and students working together to achieve the goals we want to reach. We will be hosting our annual *Parent Conferences* **November 13<sup>th</sup>- 17<sup>th</sup>**. In addition to sharing progress towards grade level competencies with our Learning Profiles, parents and teachers will review individual student reports from the STAR 360 Assessment.

Our W.I.N. Program continues to offer beneficial support for students. Quarterly "IMPACT" meetings are held with classroom teachers from **November 13**<sup>th</sup> - **17**<sup>th</sup>. At these meetings, staff review student benchmark assessment data to evaluate and measure individual student progress. Adjustments are made with W.I.N program enrollment and students are grouped together accordingly so that each receives appropriate support and remediation.

Other events and activities happening at Florence Rideout Elementary and Lyndeborough Central School include the annual PTO Book Fair, Turkey Trot, and Food Drive to support the Wilton Open Cupboard Pantry.

Congratulations to our Students of the Month for November, Brody Heiden and Aubrie Lavallee who are both fourth grade students from Florence Rideout Elementary School.

Sincerely,

Tim O'Connell

Principal