

# Travell eNews

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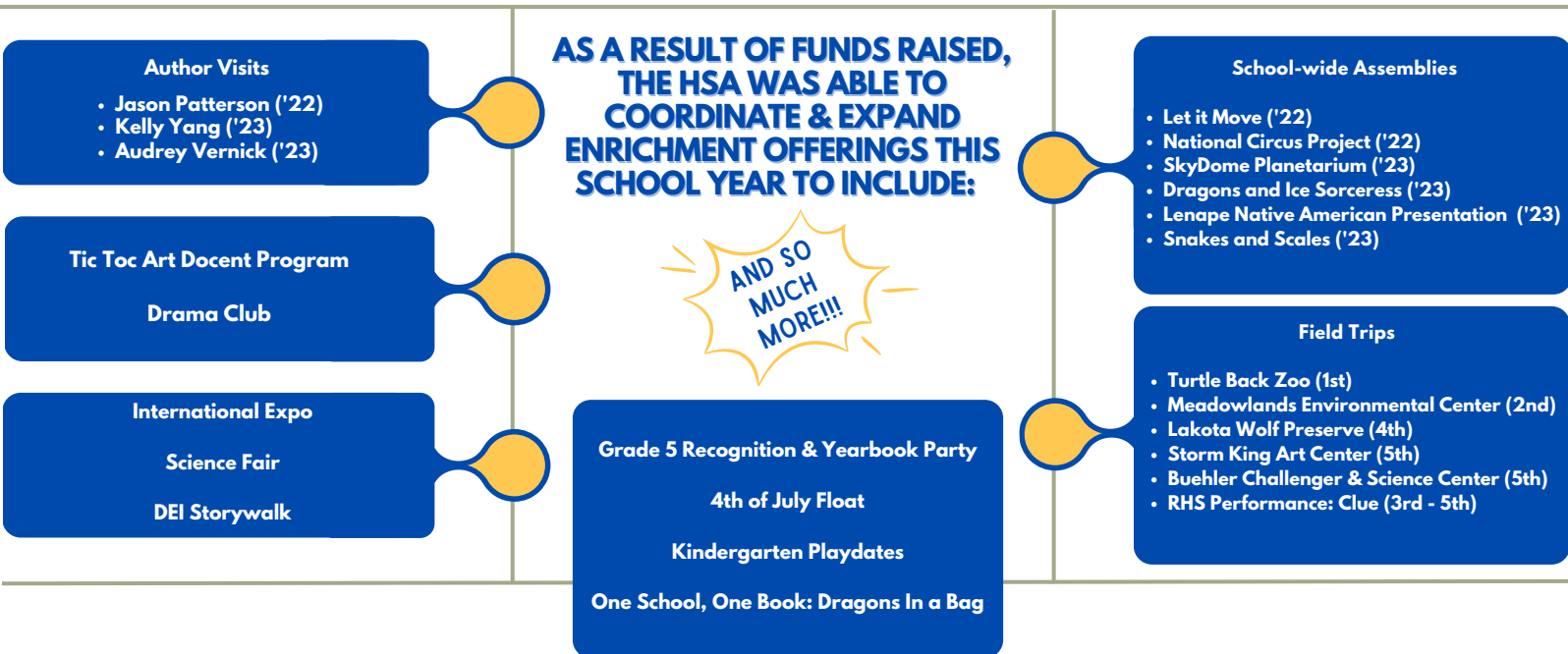


# FRIENDS OF TRAVELL

January 2023

Dear Travell Families,

The Travell Home & School Association (HSA), with generous financial contributions from Travell families, supports the school curriculum and further enhances student experience, by coordinating, securing, and presenting enrichment programs and special activities to benefit our children. In hopes of providing accessible ways for making donations by ALL families, the HSA organizes fundraising opportunities throughout the year. Our primary fundraisers for enrichment programs are the Travell Auction and "Friends of Travell". These two major fundraisers alternate, with this school year (2022-2023) being a Friends of Travell year. "Friends of" fundraisers are also held at most of the other Ridgewood schools.



Travell HSA's total enrichment costs are approximately \$51,000 per year. **Our fundraising goal for this year's Friends of Travell is \$40,000. We hope to achieve this goal by May 2023.** Additional revenue comes from smaller fundraising initiatives, such as grocery store cards, bake sales, Book Fair, No Cook Nights, among others.

The average cost for enrichment is \$150 per student. However, any donation amount is greatly appreciated and tax deductible.

Every dollar makes an impact and helps enrich the experience of our children throughout the school year. On behalf of the entire Home & School Association, we thank you in advance for your consideration and support.

Gratefully,

Nancy Joachim-Ventura and Kimberly Ramirez, Travell HSA Co-Presidents  
& the Travell HSA Executive Board 2022-2023

**Donations can be made by:**

**Personal check** (please see form sent home)

**Venmo @Travellhsa** (memo should state: "Friends of Travell" + your child's/children's name(s), and class(es))

**PayPal** (visit [www.travellhsa.com](http://www.travellhsa.com))



TRAVELL SCHOOL PRESENTS

# BINGO

*night*

*Bring the  
whole family*

Food and beverages available for purchase. Bring your own water bottle to be green!

Thursday Feb 2nd

at the Travell School Gym  
7-8pm

Registration Now Open

Use Google Link

\*Register by 1/24\*

**NO COST TO PLAY**

Just bring a gift for the prize table



READING MARATHON KICK-OFF EVENT



# PETE THE CAT'S **Groovy** KICKOFF

**THURSDAY, FEB 2, 4PM**

PreK & up with adult. Online Registration Required.

Ready, Set... READ!!

February is Reading Marathon Month! Help us kick it off at the Pete the Cat Groovy Kickoff on Thursday, Feb. 2 at the Ridgewood Public Library (event registration required).

Flyers will be distributed in class and can also be found at [www.friendsrpl.org/readingmarathon](http://www.friendsrpl.org/readingmarathon).

No registration is required to participate in Reading Marathon. Simply have your child set a personal reading goal & track their reading all month long. Then, submit their reading online at the end of February to earn a Ben & Jerry's coupon for a free ice cream!

# READING MARATHON FUNDRAISER

## EASY AS 1, 2, 3

- 1 SET A PERSONAL READING GOAL** for the month of February & read as much as you can all month long!
- 2 TRACK YOUR READING** using the calendar on the back of this flyer.
- 3 SUBMIT YOUR READING ONLINE** at the end of the month by scanning the QR code below.

All submissions received by Sunday, March 5 will earn a coupon for a free ice cream cone from our friends at Ben & Jerry's!



READING MARATHON KICK-OFF EVENT



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**Groovy**  
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THURSDAY, FEB 2, 4PM

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READING MARATHON FINALE EVENT

## LIBRARYCON IS BACK

ARTISTS, AUTHORS,  
COSPLAY, GAMING & MORE!

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 1-4PM

\$5 suggested donation at the door

## GIVE THE GIFT OF READING



For each \$25 donation, you will receive a personalized book plate in a new book of your choosing that will be added to the library collection.

Your Reading Marathon donations support the purchase of books and fund all children's programming, including Summer Reading Club, Craft in a Bag, special performers, and so much more!

## HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF RAISING \$10,000!



Scan the QR code to submit your reading online at the end of the month. Deadline: Sunday, March 5. More details & program information at [WWW.FRIENDSRPL.ORG/READINGMARATHON](http://WWW.FRIENDSRPL.ORG/READINGMARATHON)

# \_\_\_\_\_ 'S READING GOAL IS \_\_\_\_\_ BOOKS





Mark the number of books you finish each day throughout the month of February.

FEBRUARY 2023						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28				

**This tracker is for your purposes only and does not need to be submitted to your school.**  
 To earn your Ben & Jerry's ice cream, scan the QR code below to submit your reading online at the end of the month. Deadline: Sunday, March 5. More details & program information at [WWW.FRIENDSRPL.ORG/READINGMARATHON](http://WWW.FRIENDSRPL.ORG/READINGMARATHON)



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# TRAVELL BARS



In line with this year's Grade 4 & 5 Drama Club performance of Willy Wonka, we are excited to present...

## "TRAVELL BARS!!"

Support the HSA sponsored enrichment programs while also having a chance to win one of these amazing mystery prizes!

- Yankees Tickets (4)  
(Game of Choice)
- Principal For A Day
- PE Teacher For A Day
- Homework Pass
- Extra Recess Coupon
- Mayfair Ticket
- Humdingers Gift Card
- Tons of Toys Gift Card
- East Coast Burger Gift Card

*And More!*

**GOLDEN TICKET = MYSTERY PRIZE**

## \$3 Per Bar

On sale after school

**WED 2/1    THU 2/2    FRI 2/3**

*(Aftercare students can bring cash to purchase bars)*

Questions? Email: [kimram7@yahoo.com](mailto:kimram7@yahoo.com)

**allergen-free  
bars available**

*Many thanks to our wonderful community friends who provided prizes, bars, and services.*





# SCIENCE FAIR

The word 'SCIENCE' is written in large, colorful, hand-drawn letters. Above the 'S' is a drawing of a planet with rings. To the right of 'SCIENCE' is a drawing of a microscope. Below 'SCIENCE' is the word 'FAIR' in a bold, grey, sans-serif font.

WE INVITE EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS YEAR'S SCIENCE FAIR.

READ MORE ABOUT THIS YEAR'S GUIDELINES IN THE FOLLOWING LETTER BELOW

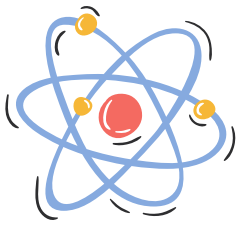


## IMPORTANT DATES:

- DEADLINE TO SIGN UP: **FEB 8th**
- SCIENCE FAIR @ TRAVELL'S GYM **MARCH 3RD**
- SUPER SCIENCE SATURDAY @RHS **MARCH 4TH**

Click [HERE](#) to sign up





# Travell Science Fair 2023



We invite everyone to participate in the upcoming **Science Fair**. Please complete the online [student signup](#)

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you of the setup and breakdown procedures for the Science Fair. Please follow the directions to ensure a smooth and efficient dropoff and pickup of Science Fair projects.

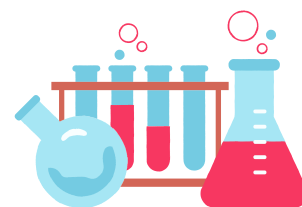
- Projects are to be dropped off at the Travell gym from 4:30 – 6pm on Thursday, March 2. T-shirts will be delivered via classrooms by Thursday morning.
- Please set up your project on your child's grade-level table in the gym.
- Students please wear Science Fair T-shirts for school on March 3.
- Fifth grade students are required to participate.
- Students can have partners but each student must sign up in order to receive their Science Fair T-shirt.
- ALL PROJECTS MUST BE MOUNTED ON STURDY MATERIAL, SO THEY CAN STAND ON THEIR OWN! (e.g. tri-fold, corrugated cardboard, or foam core presentation board, available at stores like Staples)

All classes at Travell will view projects during the day on Friday, March 3rd. Parents are invited to view projects on Friday from 6:15 – 8:00pm.

Grades K-2 from 6:15 – 7:00pm

Grades 3-5 from 7:15 – 8:00pm

All projects MUST be taken home Friday, March 3, after the family visits at 7:15 pm or 8:00 pm depending on your grade time slot. There is no storage available, so please pick-up projects promptly. You can show your project at Super Science Saturday at the RHS:  
[supersciencesaturday.org](http://supersciencesaturday.org)



## Science Fair RULES:

- No fire or any type of open heat source
- No live animals or insects
- No dry ice
- No dangerous or poisonous chemicals (including acetone in nail polish and nail polish remover) (White vinegar and lemon juice are allowed.)
- No food, candy or giveaways allowed during the school day (Food can be part of the experiment)
- No quizzes or contests can be a part of a project
- Please choose age-appropriate projects

**Projects that do NOT adhere to these safety guidelines will NOT be allowed at the Science Fair. There are NO exceptions.**

### Web RESOURCES:

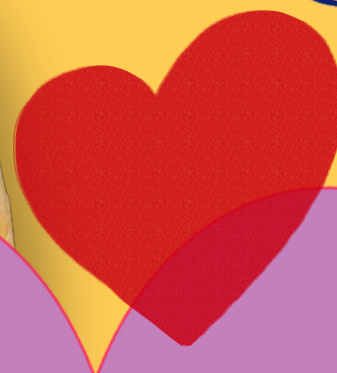
<http://supersciencesaturday.org/> (Look under “Kidzone”)  
<http://www.kids-science-experiments.com/>  
<http://www.pbskids.org/zoom/activities/sci/>  
<http://www.all-science-fair-projects.com/>  
<http://www.sciencebuddies.org/>  
<https://sciencebob.com>  
<http://eastern.scifairs.k12.nf.ca/>  
<http://school.discoveryeducation.com/sciencefaircentral/>

Thank you very much for your participation. Please contact us if you have any questions.

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Science Fair Chairs

[sciencefairtravell@gmail.com](mailto:sciencefairtravell@gmail.com)



**That's Amore!**

DIY Pizza Kit Fundraiser w/ Francesca's Pizzeria  
Perfect for Valentine's Day! 

**Orders due 2/8 by 9pm**

\$13/pizza kit (dough, sauce, cheese for personal pizza w/box)

Venmo @TravellHSA and include:

"Pizza + family name + number of kits ordered"

\$5 back to Travell for every kit!

\*After school, basketball court pickup at Travell, 2/14  
For aftercare kit pick up email: langhelone@gmail.com

TRAVELL HSA  
PRESENTS



# *Yankees vs. Minnesota Twins*

Makes a  
great gift!

Come see  
Captain Judge in  
action!

**\$85/ticket**

All tickets come with a backpack, hot dog & beverage.

Please venmo @travellhsa with: "YANKEES" + name, class,  
# of tickets and best email.

Tickets will be mobile and transferred to you in April.

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15 - 1:05 PM**

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**YANKEE STADIUM - FIELD LEVEL,  
SECTION 131**

*\*\*Please note\*\* the RBSA opening day parade and activities are scheduled for the following  
Saturday, April 23rd!*



# Keep the Bottle Caps Coming!!!

*We still need more to make our masterpieces!*

This year, Mrs. Pifher and the **Travell Green Team** are joining to design and install a mural on the exterior wall of the Butterfly Garden, using plastic bottle caps!

We hope to collect enough caps to have the children create the mural as well as some fun, whimsical sculptures to be used throughout our outdoor spaces.

PLEASE help us make this possible by saving ALL your **CLEAN** plastic bottle caps from water, soda, yogurt drinks, Gatorade, laundry detergent, milk, orange juice, mayonnaise, salad dressing, etc....you get the idea!

We need caps of all shapes and sizes and every color of the rainbow!

The more caps we have, the more fun the children will have making beautiful artwork...and it's also great for the environment!



Collection boxes will be placed in the hall behind the gym. Thank you!

Any questions, please contact Mrs Pifher [epifher@ridgewood.k12.nj.us](mailto:epifher@ridgewood.k12.nj.us) or Erica Goodier [elwiley930@hotmail.com](mailto:elwiley930@hotmail.com)



# Join the Travell HSA Executive Board!!!

Interested in helping continue the amazing enrichment programming for the Travell students?

 Everyone is welcome 

The Nominating Committee welcomes candidate interest for the following HSA Executive Board roles for the 2023-2024 term:

**Co-President**  
**Vice President**

If you would like to learn more about the scope of serving on the board and the impact of volunteering in this way, please reach out to Liz Henky, Nominating Committee Chair.  
[lizhenky@gmail.com](mailto:lizhenky@gmail.com)



**ALWAYS BE IN THE KNOW!**

We use GroupSpot as an up to the minute communication tool.

Visit the app store on your smartphone and download GroupSpot. Create your account, search for Travell & request to join.

School Group Name: Travell Elementary HSA  
Invite Code: YzVz



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# **SUBMIT PHOTOS FOR THE 2022-2023 YEARBOOK!**

*First Day of School, Back to School BBQ...  
let's make memories!*

**Travellyearbook2023@gmail.com**





# HSA Annual Dues & 2022-2023 Directory

The Travell HSA annual dues help fund enrichment programs organized and sponsored by the Home & School Association (One School, One Book; Circus; Science Fair, International Expo, etc).

Payment of your annual dues will also grant you access to the 22-23 Directory (on the GroupSpot app).

**THE DIRECTORY IS LIVE!!!**

Dues (\$35 per family) can be paid on Community Pass (“Ridgewood HSA - Travell Elementary School”).

**Thank you so much!!!**

# Travell Home & School Association 2022-2023

## HSA Executive Board

Presidents: Nancy Joachim-Ventura & Kim Ramirez  
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Secretary: Beenu Chaturbedi

**Questions: [TravellHSA@gmail.com](mailto:TravellHSA@gmail.com)**

## HSA General Meetings

Wednesday, September 28, 2022, 7:00pm  
Tuesday, December 13, 2022, 7:00pm  
Wednesday, March 1, 2023, 7:00pm  
Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 7:00pm

More Information:  
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