

# WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSBITE



### IMPORTANT DATES

12.01.23 PTO Kids Night Out

12.04.23 TO 12.08.23 PTO Holiday Shop

12.07.23 2nd Grade Trip to Crayola Experience

12.07.23 PTO Paint Party Farm 7:00 PM

12.08.23 5th Grade Arden Theatre

12.15.23 5th and 6th go to South for Concert

12.22.23 Early Dismissal

12.25.23 TO 01.01.23 **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!** School Closed

### A Friendly Visit

On Monday, November 20th, volunteers from St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center stopped by to present to WAS 3rd-6th graders. The goal of their educational outreach programs is to empower youth to make positive choices in regards to others, animals, and the environment.

### IMPORTANT LINKS

DEC. Counselor Doran's December Newsletter

### 6th Graders Host Successful Cothing Drive

This community service activity/fundraiser involved 6th grade students collecting clothing and toy donations, then loading them onto the truck. **This collection raised over \$1100 towards their NYC trip!**



**GREAT JOB!**



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**MS. JAIME MCDONALD**

**4TH GRADE TEACHER**

**11TH** YEAR TEACHING

**5TH** YEAR TEACHING  
AT SOUTH HUNTERDON



### WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT TEACHING?

*For me, the most fulfilling aspect of teaching is using my creativity. I enjoy thinking outside the box when kids encounter difficulties and creating activities that support their learning in an engaging way. It's the best kind of challenge, and when kids walk away saying they "get it", I can't help but smile from the inside out.*


### WHAT DO YOU THINK IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING A TEACHER CAN DO FOR THEIR STUDENTS?

*Build a relationship! I think it's so important for teachers to show their students that they care for them beyond the classroom and school. The most impactful teachers take the time to learn about their students' interests, activities, vulnerabilities, and so much more. Relationships build trust and respect, without which meaningful learning cannot take place.*

### WHEN YOU ARE NOT TEACHING, WHAT DO YOU LIKE TO DO?

Walk my dog. 

Garden. 

Spend time with family & friends. 



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**MR. JUSTIN HOLOHAN**

**4TH GRADE TEACHER**

### WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING YOU HOPE STUDENTS LEARN FROM YOU?

*Deadlines are important. Believe in yourself. Education is power!*



### WHAT DO YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT TEACHING?

*Seeing the children, helping the parents, being loved!*

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**DON'T GIVE UP!**