Weekly Newsletter - October 4, 2019





Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I wanted to let you know that on October 9th our late start day Groveport Police and our school will have our 1st safety drill which is an intruder lockdown drill. It is a state requirement to conduct at least 3 safety drills per year.

At 11:10, I will announce the start of the drill and will advise teachers that there is an intruder in the building. For this particular drill we are going to only practice barricading and staying in the classrooms. Future drills we will practice evacuating or deciding which to choose based on the information given. (THERE WILL BE NO PERSON PLAY ACTING AS AN INTRUDER but there will be uniformed officers present to observe). We will allow the drill to run for about 5 minutes so we can quickly check the building to see how the teachers and students did with their barricades. I will then make an announcement the drill is complete.

Teachers will prepare students so they know this is a drill and just like tornado and fire drills we practice so that we can keep the students safe in the event of an emergency. If this were a real evacuation the first priority would be to get out of the building and AWAY FROM THE DANGER. The two actual recollection points for our building are the rec center and the golf course. Please know that our top priority is to protect your child and keep them safe. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call or email me.

Thanks, April Bray Principal

Focus on Learning

4th Grade students in Mrs. McGonigal's classroom were working hard during their literacy block learning and applying their literacy skills in a variety of ways. Students had a choice from a variety of reading options while small groups worked with Mrs. McGonigal to work on targeted skills related to standard RL 4.2 with determining themes and summarizing texts. Students read a familiar Fable to apply their work on themes to their reading. Students were practicing the "Somebody Wanted But So Then" strategy in their reading. You'll also see students building independent reading stamina, as well as responding to writing prompts in their journals and

practicing their Chromebook Composing skills in responding to prompts on Google Docs. Nice work, 4th Grade!



Congratulations 2019-2020 Student Council Members!

Student Council gives students an opportunity to learn organization, leadership and teamwork skills. These students will help plan activities for our school and their classes. I'm very proud to announce this year's Student Council! I know they will represent our school well and work very hard! If for some reason (grades, behavior, attendance, family, etc.) someone isn't able to fulfill his/her duty we will only have two members for that grade.

Mr. Eft: Jerelle Crawford, Kelsey Jennings, Amaya Warfield

Ms Miller: Kaleb Deskins, Arizona Gray, Amelia Johnson

Ms. Townsend: Chloe Holloway, Jackson Smith, Amelia Toepfer

Mrs. Burnett: Abree Giacomazzo, Ester Nuakey, Mason Stine

Mrs. McGonigal: Kyleigh Blackburn, Colton Eggers, Sydney Westcamp

Mrs. Cordell: Nataliegh Ford, Tyler Montney, Faith Murphy-Pickett

Mrs. Mosure: Kalli Joneikis, Kiely Morrison, Kadynce Stanley

Mr. Yurasek: Madison Gibson, Kelsie McKee, Trenton Montney

Advisor: Mrs. Escue and Mrs. McGonigal

Literacy Night

Thank you to all the parents who came out to celebrate literacy and work through the lessons with your child. We had 60 students participate in Groveport Elementary Family Literacy night on September 26. The families enjoyed various reading activities, refreshments and a great book give away! Thanks to all who attended and to all the staff that helped make the night a huge success!A special thank you to Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Clinger, and Mrs. Pence for organizing the night. It is always a great night when kids leave school with free books they are excited to read!



Students were so excited the next morning to hear they had won the raffle book give away!





Sophia Duncan, Camden Carpenter, Lily Lamberton, William Gillies, Cicily Owens, Molly Johnson, Lyla Watkins, Anakin Deskins, Jeremy Finigan, Estell Hale, Kannen Eggers, Addyson Hale, Billy Stanley, Juliana Rule, Kaydence Stanley, Mercy Perez, and Teona Budd were the winners in the Raffle! They each received a nice gift bag full of supplies and books to enjoy!

THANK YOU / THANK YOU / THANK YOU

Wednesday, October 2nd was National Custodian Day. We wanted to say a special thank you to

Mr. Miller, Mrs. Wills, and Ms. Hoyt for taking care of our building and making it a clean and safe learning environment for all of us!!!



Town Hall Programs

No School? No Problem! October 18th from 11 - 12 Create and Play (Call 614.836.3333 to register by October 16th)

October 22nd 6:30 Decorate a Fa-Boo-Lous Pumpkin! Location = Kidspace (Call 614.836.3333 to register by October 18th)



Upcoming Important Dates

October

- 7 = Voter Registration Deadline
 8 = Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00 7:15)
 8 = Early Voting Begins
 10 = Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00 7:15)
 17 & 18 = No School
 21 = PTO Meeting (5:00)
 22 = PBIS Meeting (8:00)
- **23** = 3rd Grade State Testing ELA
- 25 = Buddy Class Afternoon Schedule
- **29** = End of 1st Nine Weeks

30 = Principal Breakfast **31** = Halloween Parade and Parties

Book Fair = October 7th - 11th

Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Nataliegh Ford - Mrs. Cordell Jonathan Marriott - Mrs. Stoever X'zavior Call - Ms. Miller Edwin Stelle - Mrs. McGonigal

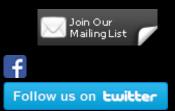
Happy Birthday



Rachel Konot, Aizeah Henry, Anna Ryan, Adline Clinton, Merida Marquis, Sydney Westcamp, Thomas Simmons, and Kyra Flack

Cruiser STAR Students

Cruiser STAR Awards are given to students by staff members for students who show characteristics of being a Cruiser STAR - Stay Safe, Take Responsibility, Act Respectfully, Reach Goals. Students come to the office and put their gold STAR in our Treasure Box. Every Friday, Mrs. Bray picks 15 -20 STARs from the Treasure Box and calls those students to the office for a prize. Congratulations -



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