



## Principal's Message

### **Congratulations 2017-2018 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 the students who were voted to the council by their peers. I know they will represent our school well and work very hard!

#### **5th grade students ran as a group instead of by individual homerooms.**

Ty Cooper  
Riley Cothorn  
Leos Jacobs  
Makenzie Parrett  
Aubrey Reese  
Brennan Suttle

#### **4th Grade Student Council Representatives**

Mrs. McGonigal's Class = [Kendall Bickett](#), [Kalli Joneikis](#), and [Charlie Viton](#)

Mrs. Polce's Class = [Brenden Bennett](#), [Teona Budd](#), and [Martia Elliott](#)

Mr. Yurasek's Class = [Deegan Hall](#), [Dylan Flesher](#), and [Juliana Ruhe](#)

#### **3rd Grade Student Council Representatives**

Mr. Eft = [Rae-Lynn Holman](#), [Edwin Stelle](#), and [Eli Williams](#)

Ms. Townsend = [Conner Armstrong](#), [Logan McCoy](#), and [Talan Thomas](#)

**A big thank you to Mrs. Escue and Mrs. McGonigal for being our new Student Council Advisors!**

## Math Fluency:

What is math fluency and why is it important? Math fact fluency is simply the ability to recall basic facts in all four operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division) accurately, quickly and without hesitation. Research has shown that students who have a strong math fact fluency are likely to have less math anxiety, less confusion and are able to learn higher math concepts such as word problems and algebra.

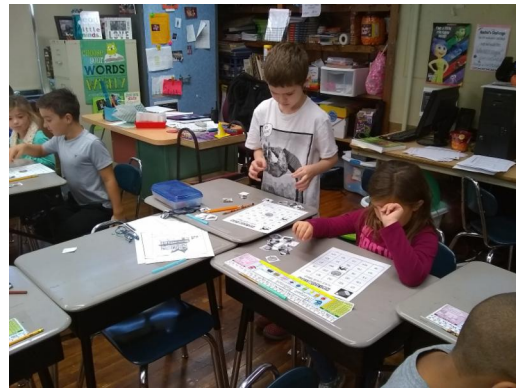
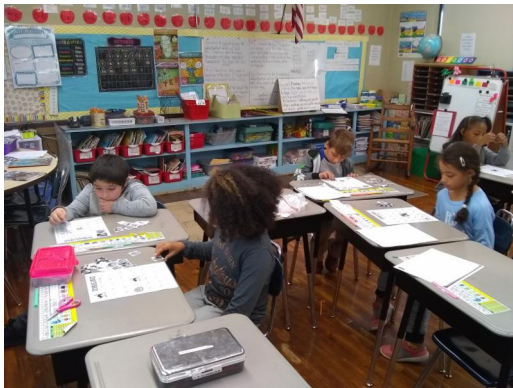
In our Eureka math series, students complete a fluency activity every day prior to new learning. Fluency can be practiced in multiple ways, such as time tables, counting, sprints, flashcards, and games.

Students in Mr. Eft's 3rd grade class have been practicing their multiplication fact fluency at the beginning of math class, as well as for homework. They complete a fact worksheet by answering all of the fact problems as quickly as they can and then work with a partner to check their work.

Students in Mrs. KC's 1st grade class are working on addition fluency in their classroom by utilizing the the XtraMath website on their chromebooks. Congratulations to Sofia, who has mastered her addition facts!! Students can access this site from home as well to give additional practice with mastering their addition facts.

Challenge your child to a fact fluency game, such as War tonight!!

It is great to have Ms. Miller back from maternity leave. It was so nice to have a retired teacher, Ms. Adams, available to sub for her who did a fantastic job! Here are some pictures from Ms. Miller's class playing place value bingo :



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## A Few Reminders

- 3rd Graders will be taking the Reading test from the state next Tuesday and Thursday.

- If you are driving your child to school, you can't use the bus lane which is the oval in front of the school. You must either park on the street directly in front of the school and have your child use the sidewalk that goes through the yard or drive around the middle school and drop them off on the side of the school under the bridge that connects the two schools.
- If your child is a walker, please remind them about how to safely cross the street. Parents the intersection at the end of our drive and Wirt Road is very busy and we have witnessed some very impatient drivers, so we are asking everyone to slow down and keep our kids safe!
- As for pick-up, remember to park in an actual parking space and when you are exiting the parking lot follow the flow of traffic around the parking lot. Please don't cut in line.
- Please call before 3:00 if you would like to change how your child is getting home. We understand in some cases it can't be helped, but if we know as soon as possible it helps ensure your child doesn't get on the bus when they should be a car rider or miss the bus if you can't pick them up.
- The weather is getting really cold, really fast. Please make sure your child is dressed for the colder temperatures. We will go outside if the temperature is 25 degrees or above.

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### Artist of the Week



**Eli Bellamy**

The first graders have been learning about sculptures. We've had discussions about the difference between 2D art and 3D art so we created our own jungle sculpture. We started by painting the base and then used multiple shades of green paper to create our trees. We talked about how we can show lines by folding, rolling and bending our paper different ways. After our jungle was complete we drew a tiger and added him to this fun habitat. Eli Bellamy was selected by Mrs. Sperr for his hard work and creativity. He did a great job showing zigzag lines and spirals. Eli is a 1st grade student in Mrs. Myers class. He has been attending Groveport Elementary since

kindergarten. Eli loves math games, Legos and reading.

**Congratulations Eli for being our Artist of the Week!**

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## **Upcoming Important Dates**

October

23 - 3rd Grade State Reading Test Part 1  
23 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00-7:15)  
25 - 3rd Grade State Reading Test Part 2  
25 - Parent/Teacher Conferences (4:00 - 7:15)  
26 - Movie Night (Incredibles)  
26 - Building Leadership Team Meeting  
30 - Firefighter Phil Assembly K-2 (9:30)  
31 - Annual Pumpkin Run  
31 - Literacy PD for K-5 Teachers  
31 - Halloween Parties and Parade

If students choose to wear a costume, they must wear it to school and follow these guidelines:

- No clown costumes
- No blood, gore, or weapons
- Dress code still applies
- Masks and accessories may only be worn during the parade.
- Costume should not interfere with student's ability to participate in class.

Class parties will begin directly after the parade.

**Book Fair October 22nd - 26th**

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## **Columbus Metropolitan Library**

We partner with the Southeast branch of the library and they deliver books to our schools every month. They also offer a lot of free programs for kids. You can call (614.645.2275) to find out more.

### **Reading Buddies**

Help your student be a better reader.  
All locations have a Reading Buddies program.

- Who: Students in Kindergarten through Grade 3
- What: One-on-one reading practice with library staff or volunteers
- Why: To help students with reading skills so they can be successful in school

The program supports Ohio's Third Grade Reading Guarantee.

### **Southeast Hours**

Monday: 5 - 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: 5 - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday: 5 - 6 p.m.

Friday: 3 - 4 p.m.

## KIDS CARD

- Check out or reserve five books
- No overdue fines
- Full access to Homework Help Centers and computers

Ask a staff member for more information.

Click on this link for more programs [Southeast Branch Library Programs](#)

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## Thank You to Our Pledge of Allegiance Helpers

Angel Saunders - Mrs. Mosure  
Bracksden Bennett - Mrs. Myers  
Jackson Smith - Mrs. Stoever  
Phillip Smedley - Mr. Eft  
Jociana Bagley - Mrs. McGonigal

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Arizona Gray, Isabella Platel, Saleena Whitson,  
Curtis Waugh, Taylor Campbell, John Beebe,  
Joanne Marriott, Amber Stoever, and Isabella Vargo



## Cruiser STAR Students

Gold 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 - Tylor Johnson, Richard Rollison, Jesse Lutz, William Nuakey, Nora Biery, Marlea Hunt, Drake Bolyard, Chloe Holloway, Kaleb Deskins, Soffia Nieman, Jacob Barrios, Cincere Hairston, Eric Schneider, Lexie Fox, Jonathan Hairston, Leila Clinton, Azia Cocroft, Anna Ryan, Elijah Hunt, and Na'Raia Dixon-Hassan!](#)

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