

Mission: The mission of Fremont City Schools is to develop well-educated life-long learners prepared to be responsible, productive and respectful members of their communities.

# FREMONT

CITY SCHOOLS

OTIS ELEMENTARY



### Important Dates

- Dec. 3 4<sup>th</sup> Gr. Field Trip
- Dec. 7 Papa Murphy Pizza Night
- Dec. 9 PTO 6:00
- Dec. 11 Mid-Terms Go Home
- Dec. 17 Kinder Academy
- Dec. 23 – Jan. 3 Winter Break

### Happy Holidays

- Jan. 8 Thomas Edison Assembly 2:00
- Jan. 13 Mobile Dentist
- Jan. 13 PTO 6:00
- Jan. 15 1:30 Animal Land/Money Machine
- Jan. 18 & 19 NO SCHOOL
- Jan. 22 Grade Cards Go Home



## From the Principal

Dear Family and Friends,

We earned a \$170.00 at our last Papa Murphy's night in November. Please join us next Monday, December 7 for our next Papa Murphy's night. Remember that the store will donate 15% of the entire day's sales to Otis. We provide some volunteers between the hours of 4:00-7:00, and encourage all of our families and friends to have pizza for dinner! Papa Murphy's is located inside Wal Mart.

Academically, we are working hard to meet our daily and weekly goals. Please review with your child the monthly expectations that are included in this newsletter. This will help guide you so that you can better work with your child throughout the quarter. Midterms will be sent home on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Please spend some time discussing with your child the remarks from the teachers, and if you have questions, please email the teacher or send a note in with your child.

On behalf of the Otis staff, we would like to wish you a very Happy Holiday!

Thank you for your continued support!

See you around Otis,



Congratulations!  
Vivyanna Esquivel  
Student of the Month

1. INCREASE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
2. CLOSE SOCIO-ECONOMIC, ETHNIC AND DISABILITY GAPS IN STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
3. BUILD HOPE, TRUST AND RESPECT WITH OUR COMMUNITY

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STRONG ACADEMICS + STRONG CHARACTER = STRONG COMMUNITY

## OTIS ELEMENTARY

## Language Arts and Math Expectations for December

Kindergarten: Reads and writes simple words, high frequency words and own name. Learns basic capitalization rules. Math Reads, counts and understands numbers to 20. Understands a variety of patterns, including designs, colors and sizes. Practice, practice, practice at home!

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Use a graphic organizer and identify details in a story. After reading a story ask your child who, what, when, where and why. Math Use base ten blocks and measure using inches/feet. Measure items at home using a 12 inch ruler.

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Read a story and retell using details in sequence. Math Count and add various amounts of coins and work on making change. Tell time to five minutes. Practice at home!

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Students should read accurately high frequency sight words in their reading. Parents – Have your child read to you and ask them questions about what they have read. Students should understand and identify the subject and predicate of a sentence. Math Use place value concepts to represent whole numbers and decimals using numerals, words, expanded notation and physical models. Talk at home about a variety of representations for a number. Ex: 100 = one hundred, 10 tens; 0.5 = one half, five tenths. Point out decimals numbers on products at home – food and cleaning products, etc.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will be expected to know prefixes, suffixes, roots, and root words. Parents can help by reviewing page 56 in the student's practice book. Students will be learning how to expand their sentences by learning how to write compound subjects and predicates. Parents can help by using the student's grammar book pages 19 and 20. Math Know how to multiply multi-digit numbers. Students should have an understanding of estimating various numbers for different reasons.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade To recognize that authors reveal a character's motives through traits, thoughts, words and actions. To identify the distinguishing characteristics of historical fiction. Math Currently using standard language to describe line, segment, ray, angle, skew lines, perpendicular and parallel lines. Label vertex, rays, interior and exterior for an angle. Describe properties of congruent and similar figures.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Continue working on comprehension activities and reading strategies, especially with nonfiction. Students will know all parts of speech and apply them to their daily writing. Math Presently performing fraction computations and justifying their solutions. Estimating reasonable solutions to problem situations involving fractions. Parents make sure to keep trying division problems with your child.



## Mobile Dentist

On Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> the Mobile Dentist will be at Otis. This is a preventative dental care program that offers examinations, cleaning, fluoride treatments, X-rays and sealants in the school setting. The Smile Program can provide care to everyone and offers financial assistance to families in need. All participants receive a toothbrush. Complete the form your child brought home and return it to school by December 11<sup>th</sup>. According to the Smile Program, poor oral health may lead to poor nutrition due to difficulty eating, decreased growth and an increase of bacteria in the blood and respiratory systems. To learn more about the Mobile Dentist Smile Program visit their web site at [www.mobiledentists.com](http://www.mobiledentists.com) and watch the video on preventative dental care. If you have questions call the Mobile Dentist at 1-888-833-8441 or Otis at 419-332-8964.

BUILDING HOPE, TRUST & RESPECT WITH THE COMMUNITY

December's word of the month is **Caring** and the holiday season is a great time to show others how much you care about them. So remember to be kind and helpful! How does it feel inside when you are caring? Well, it should feel good! We become a caring person by doing caring things and not expecting anything in return. Think about what caring things people have done for you. **Pay It Forward**. That means if you help one person, who helps one other person, and every person helps one other person they are paying it forward. Eventually hundreds, thousands, and millions of people are helped! Parents expect good character from your children and model the behavior in front of them. Think about how your actions and words can help others and you will be helping yourself!

☺ Mrs. Hatfield  
Guidance Counselor

**Ways to be a Caring Person**

- ❖ Hold the door for someone.
- ❖ When someone says hello, say hello back.
- ❖ If someone is carrying a heavy load, ask to help.
- ❖ Do not cut in front of others.
- ❖ If someone drops something, pick it up.
- ❖ Pick up after yourself.
- ❖ Share
- ❖ Take Turns
- ❖ Use the *Golden Rule* treating others the way you want to be treated
- ❖ Volunteer your time
- ❖ Say please and thank you

*Don't Forget: "No one act of kindness, no matter how small is ever wasted." Aesop*

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Honor Roll 1<sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks

Oakley Alliman	Thalia Garza
Rosa Gutierrez	Emily Morris
Corbin Renfro	Trinity Rodriguez
Garrett Schneider	Matthew Shondell
Tyree Sommers	Berlin Swaisgood
Araya Swinehart	Trey Wimbush
Caleb Wood	Annora Balduff
Jacob Barnes	Madisyn Brown
Reece Crawford	Aaron Dorobek
Kyle Foos	Michelle Hang
Kellen Hausman	Savannah Krueger
Tyler Kuyken	Jenny Ou
James Rathfelder	Alison Rupp
Sean Thurston	Deidre Walls
Tylin Alliman	Edward Dorobek
Alex Federico	Brendan Leibold
Tiffany Peck	Carianne Smith
Boston Swaisgood	Micaela Vargas
Sheldon Arndt	Kendra Buchele
Walker Cooper	Lauren Federico
Kayla Foos	Kirsten Haase
Amelia Jackson	Bryce LeJeune
Addyson Waldo	Darrion Walker
Parker Ward	Trey Warner
Julia Zucker	

Perfect Attendance 1<sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks

Ryan Dabrunz	Alexander Davis	Amya Garcia
Ariah Jones	Isaiah Karr	Jared Adkins
Mollie Alliman	Isaiah Clay	Mason Dorobek
Gage Figley	Navaeh Hernandez	Kendra Smith
Traeton Stover	Alasia Chapman	Maci Figley
John Lotycz	Tyler Peck	Jeremy Reed
Adriana Steward	Caleb Bennison	Kassie Brown
Adyana Cleckley	Deven Keim	Hayden Lehmann
Lourdes Sanchez	Berlin Swaisgood	Ivy Soler
Araya Swinehart	Annora Balduff	Bryce Barnett
Lamonte Chapman	Aaron Dorobek	Michelle Hang
Elizabeth Haynes	McKayla Henry	Kamyron Jones
Natori Jones	Samaria McCarver	Breanna Juan
Alison Rupp	Tylin Alliman	Luis Soler
Bill Byington-Martin		Diarriah Chapman
Derek Desrosiers	Savannah Endicott	Edward Dorobek
Kaydee Keim	Brendan Leibold	Xavier Michael
Tiffany Peck	Gabriel Rangel	Carianne Smith
Samantha Smith	Boston Swaisgood	Dayvon Atkins
Walker Cooper	Rakquan Heidelberg	Jacob Keegan
Darrion Walker	Julia Zucker	

# Thank You!

Together we impact the lives of others! Through the support of our students, staff, and families, we raised \$775.00 for our Trees for Troops project! This allowed us to purchase 31 trees from Sugargrove Tree Farm in Ashland, Ohio and ship them with the help of FedEx to our troops serving overseas. Thank you for sending in your spare change with the students, supporting our bake sales and popcorn sales, and a huge THANK YOU to our families who were able to be very generous at this difficult time of year.

A few of our families even stopped in to share their personal stories with us. This was a great way to share with the students and make the project more meaningful. Some of our Otis families have members currently serving in the Armed Forces and won't be home for the Holidays. Other family members shared their own personal stories of past Holidays without family members or when they themselves were serving away from home.

Thank you for helping us make the Holiday a brighter time for some of our service men and women.



**BIRCHARD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**It's Saturday**

Kindergarten – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

10:00 – 10:45

Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>: *It's Magic*

**Pizza & Pages Club**

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders

4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

*The Half-A-Moon Inn*

Please call 419-334-7101 ext. 209 to register

Or

Register online at: [www.birchard.lib.oh.us](http://www.birchard.lib.oh.us)

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Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>

*Room One: A Mystery of Two*

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