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OTIS SCHOOLS

Back by popular demand - we continue our look at having a GROWTH MINDSET! Have you ever heard the phrase, "It is the journey, not the destination"? In education, it can be rephrased to - "It is the process, not the product." Getting a math problem correct is great, but what is even better is knowing the PROCESS involved in getting that math problem correct. If you know the process, then you likely can get the next problem correct, and the next, and the NEXT! Knowing how (the PROCESS) to do something then is more important than even the answer! Part of the process is also the willingness to try, accept failure, and still continue to work hard on a problem. Hard work is part of the process too! Dr. Dweck's research would suggest that "parents and teachers do better to focus on praising the 'process' or personal effort and any effective strategies used, which fosters motivation by placing a VALUE on what the students have done and what they need to do to continue to be successful." This simple act of praising the PROCESS your child took to learn, rather than ability or the end product, can have a dramatic effect on cultivating a growth mindset.

Here are some ideas to phrase your feedback in a way that develops more of a growth mindset to get you started:

- I see that you have been trying so hard at ...
- I see that you are trying again, great thinking.
- You remembered to use the procedure for
- It must feel good to follow those steps you have taken.
- What a brilliant way to approach the task.
- I noticed you are thinking through the steps we discussed.
- You were confident with the task and I know you will be with the next step.
- I am watching the way you're approaching this and I think your effort is outstanding.
- The steps you took must have really helped you...
- You are becoming more confident at
- Good job taking on such a hard task ...
- You are taking on harder tasks and that must make you feel confident.
- I like the way that you
- You must have tried really hard at this.

For more information on having a Growth Mindset, visit the website: mindsetworks.com. As always, it is my honor and pleasure to serve the world-class students and staff of Otis Elementary. I look forward to working together as we make this a successful year of learning and achievement.

Make it a great day!

Mr. Matz



All A

Honor Roll



Olive Wright
Mason Winer
Bailey Rollins
Khamh Cung
Easton Hetrick
Analiah Martinez
Anthony Marzolo
Dexter Wasserman
Hennessy White
Skylar Wilhelm
Rachel Wasserman
Joseph Leonard
Izabelle Griffin
Adrienne Albrecht
Aleigha Artz
Greyson Tooman
Gavin Voelker
Milana Fisher
Ryan Krueger
Juliette Ollom
Addison Slagle
Silas Wynn

Alivia Albrecht
Preston Carnicom
Adrion Holmes
Bryce Holmes
McKenna Johnson
Travis Johnson
Fiona Wright
Sophia Swanson
EmmaLee Vencil
Matthew Reiselt
Audrey Parish
Aria Wukie
Adriana Colon
Landon Voelker
Sydney Whited
Khayd Bulger
Madalyn Slagle
Madelyn Wilhelm



STUDENTS



**Ian Wilburn
Charles Stratton
Sadie Sartin
Khaniya Nason
Amiyah Mccoy
Abigail Lewallen
Micheal He
Braxton Crowell
Phoenix Cortez
Aidric Allen
Lia Baatz
Camden Brown
Ciri DeLaCruz
Aiya Escobedo
Janiyah Garza
Joseph Hammer
Pierce Perkins
Kara Rhoades
Kenzingtyn Schmidt
Abigail Whited**

**Alivia Asam
Blake Covert
Brock Crowell
Mariela Kwiatkowski
Blayden Marino
Ella Banda
Ryleigh Shilling
Ryder Stewart
Zamiya Pugh
Kenzington Swanson
Jayleanna Gamble
Brody Daley
Brody Askins**

**Jeremiah Alejandro
Kayla Brown
Gage Daley
Noah Seibert
Lincoln Gardner
Annie Good
Isaiah Ingles
Jamila Andres
Talia Hull
Mason Inks
Aliya Scott
Asher Wynn
Brae-Lynn Harris
Marcus He
Kashi Lindsey
Zoey Martich
Julius Ruiz
Kennedy Sandoval
Addy Mullholand
Kaidn Ryf
Delilah Vollmar
Trenton Winer**



Cardy Awards

Amayiah McCoy
Ryder Stewart
Claire Schwochow
Bella LeJeune
Elena Huether
Caylee Welch
Kashi Lindsey
Jamila Andrea
Asher Wynn
Anyssa Lopez
Jaylynn Harder
Jazlyn Reyescruz
Berkley Tolman
Violet Burmeister
Paisley Sherman
Cosme Chapa Garcia
Collin Holmes
Marcel Omenitsch
Sajus Rush
Azucena Velasquez
Allison Vittatow

Jose Hernandez-Flores
Ameiyah Martin
Natalee Patino
Nora Rohde
Cyn. Maya Leggett
Eliza Prescott
Jayden Wyatt
Kash'Mere Wimbush
Ashlynn Vencil
Alayna Mata
Charles Martin
Joshua Laird
Reagan Hallock
JaKobe Cruz
Liam Brewer
Gemma Wukie
Maddie Hill
Ellaena Shilling
Santiago Munz-Garcia



Perfect Attendance!



Zaidy Crispen
JaKobe Cruz
Jace Johnson
Lincoln Johnson
Cara McGowan
Charlotte Whisler
Brody Wilhelm
Apollo Burel
Kaizer Davis
Jose Hernandez-Flores
Collin Holmes
Dawson Muth
Landon Prudham
Gavin White
Roman Bulger
Elijah Gardner
Amelia Good
Lincoln Langley
Madalyn Slagle
Crayton Turnow
Temporo Vallejo

Kiern Britt
Preston Carnicom
Adriana Colon
Marley Crispen
Khamh Cung
Josiah Dominguez
Marcus He
Adrion Holmes
Bryce Holmes
McKenna Johnson
Travis Johnson
Aria Leonard
Aliya Scott
Bryce Sewell
Landon Voelker
Sydney Whited
Alivia Asam
Achlys Britt
Kayla Brown
Blake Covert

Lincoln Gardner
Bradley Gonzalez
Ryan Krueger
Kendra Leavitt
Nataly Lemus
Blayden Marino
Xayland Martin
Juliette Ollom
Armari Reymond
Adrian Salaya
Sariyh Shields
Jaxson Smith
Silas Wynn
Camden Brown
Aiya Escobedo
Micheal He
Rylee Holley
Joseph Leonard
Abigail Lewallen
Taylor Pollard
Carter Reymond
Claire Schwochow
Greyson Tooman
Gavin Voelker
Rachel Wasserman
Paige Weiss
Abigail Whited
Sylar Wilhelm



GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL DRESS

To provide reasonable guidelines for the students that promote community values relative to good grooming and personal hygiene, preserve the health and welfare of students and prevent substantial and material disruption to, or direct interference with, the educational process.

It is the responsibility of the students to dress in a manner consistent with the above referenced purpose and to take pride in their personal appearance.

Apparel for School

Acceptable Apparel - The following apparel items are acceptable provided that they are clean, in good condition and otherwise consistent with the above-referenced purpose:

1. Shoes must be worn. No slippers. No flip flops or sandals for PK-8.
2. Hair that is well groomed.
3. Trousers, jeans, skirts, dresses, shirts, shorts, sweaters, and blouses provided that such items are of conventional length.
4. Athletic wear.

Unacceptable Apparel - The following are unacceptable apparel and subject to disciplinary action:

1. Tank tops and low-cut tops. (All shirts must have sleeves.) Shirts, blouses, and sweaters that do not come to the top of the pants and/or expose skin when seated/standing. Articles that reveal the back, chest, upper-thigh, or undergarments. Shirts must fully cover the stomach. Ripped pants/jeans that expose skin on the upper-thigh or above, or reveal their undergarments.
2. Clothing that contains insignias, advertisements, symbols, words, patches, or pictures that endanger or interfere with the health and welfare of any student or cause substantial and material disruption to, or direct interference with, the educational process. Clothing prohibited under this rule includes that which is suggestive of violence or gangs or which relates to sex, drugs, alcohol or tobacco.
3. "Biker" or spandex-type shorts. Leggings/yoga pants are to be worn with a top that reaches to the midthigh.
4. Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be midthigh in length.
5. Sagging pants, shorts, or skirts that are worn below the waist exposing undergarments; pajamas.
6. Large chains or wallets with attached chains are not allowed.
7. The following items are not to be worn in the building:
 - a) hats, head coverings (unless for religious articles) or other apparel, including hair picks;
 - b) coats designed specifically for outside wear (unless approved by the building principal);
 - c) sunglasses, unless authorized by a doctor;
 - d) earbuds/headphones.



Caring in the Classroom...

A few Caring in the Classroom:

Show your teeth some LOVE!

February is National Dental Health Month. Healthy habits begin at home.

- Brush twice a day
- Floss daily
- Limit sugar
- Drink water
- Visit the dentist for a routine check up & cleaning
- Be sure to Smile!

DUE TO THE CALAMITY DAY, THOSE WHO WERE SIGNED UP FOR THE MOBILE DENTIST, IT HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR MARCH 19th.

What is the Mobile Dentist???

Every year, the Mobile Dentist visits Otis with dentists & dental hygienists who are local & state licensed. A form is sent home a few weeks prior to the visit & once completed, signed, & returned, your student can be seen! After the visit, a copy of their report is sent home and explains in detail what was done as well as recommendations.

Benefits of the Mobile Dentist include:

- Complete dental exam including X-rays, fluoride, & sealants
- No need to take time off of work to take your student to the dentist
- No travel expense
- Limited time away from class
- Kids are comfortable in their surroundings of school
- Accepts Medicaid, CHIP, Private Insurance, & a highly discounted rate if Self Pay. There is also a grant program to help with payment.

Any questions please let me know,
Brooke Huber, RN LSN BSN
reminders for the upcoming winter for here at school:

- Please send in chapstick for your student to use (I cannot provide or apply chapstick or lotion without an order).
- Do NOT send in cough drops. Water is best. Unless you have a physician's order, I cannot provide cough drops.
- Send in a water bottle with your student. Kids don't drink enough water as it is and the winter months are extremely drying.
- Dress in layers. The temperature fluctuates in the building.
- Coats, mittens/gloves, & hats. The playground can be cold and windy even if it doesn't feel like that at your home.

If your student becomes ill, when can you send him/her back???

- No fever (above 100) for the past 24 hours without fever reducing medication
- No diarrhea within the past 24 hours
- No vomiting within the past 24 hours

Any questions or concerns, please let me know.

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COMMUNITY

Important Dates

- Feb. 12 Kindness Week: "Ties" us together Wear a tie
- Feb. 13 Kindness Week; 100 ways to be kind: Dress like you are 100
- Feb. 14 Kindness Week: We love being kind, wear red, pink or hearts
- Feb. 15 Kindness Week: Wear your favorite jersey or sports team
- Feb. 16 Kindness Week: Wear Otis shirts or colors
- Feb. 16 Candy bar sale ends
- Feb. 19 NO SCHOOL Presidents Day
- March 1 Dr. Seuss Day



PTO News

Join us at our meetings! We have lots of fun and plan some fun stuff for our students and staff. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month in the Cafeteria (or conference room) at 5:30 pm. If you have any questions, you can call the school and ask!

Thanks for all your hard work selling our candy bars! We are off to a great start! Sale ends February 16th with all money turned in by Feb.23rd!

WINTER WEATHER AND RECESS

Please make sure that your child dresses properly for outside recess during the winter months. Coats, hats and gloves are a must!



Please remember that if you change phone numbers, address or contacts, you must update your information in Final Forms. The school staff depends on this information to be current in case you need to be contacted.



STUDENTS

