## NEWSLETTER

## October 25, 2017

A great big thank you to all of you for signing up for Parent-Teacher Conferences and coming to see me this week! It is so important in your child's educational career that you and your child's teacher (me) work together to help him/her be successful! I thoroughly enjoyed getting to talk to each one of you about your wonderful children. I know with all of us working on the same page, he/she will continue to have a great year in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade!

**<u>Red Ribbon Week</u>** has been so much fun for all of us! On Monday we all wore "red," on Tuesday we had on our "superhero" t-shirts, and on Wednesday we all wore our crazy socks! Don't forget to have your child wear "bright, neon" type colors for Thursday and his/her 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class t-shirt on Friday for our "team" day, because after all, we are a team in this classroom!

## Here are some important reminders/information:

- For those of you who are choosing to have your child do I-Ready at home: please remember that if your child needs their username or password, it is stapled to the cover of his/her planner in the binder. Attached are the instructions for how to get on I-Ready. In addition, your child should stay on the program for at least 30 minutes per session to get the full benefit of the lesson/assessment being given.
- Ms. Crawford, our P.E. Coach, will be starting a <u>Running Club in November</u>. This is a great and fun way to get your children involved in a healthy activity that they can do for the rest of their lives. If you're interested please see the attached flyer. The club will begin on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> and is only for 2<sup>nd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> grade children only.
- TLE has begun their annual "<u>Boo Gram Drive</u>." The bright, orange flyer was sent home with your child last week. The children (with your help of course) can buy "Boo Grams" for their friends and family for \$1 each.
   <u>Tomorrow is the last day to order Boo Grams</u> which will be delivered on Halloween (Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>). All funds raised go towards TLE's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration!
- For the parents/children in our after school tutoring program: please keep in mind that there is no after school tutoring until Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> because of parent –teacher conferences and Halloween.
- On Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> there will be a Veteran's Day Assembly in the front parking lot of the school. Directly following the assembly we will be going to our Special Area (P.E.) but after that (around 10:20am) I would love to have any parents who are veterans come speak to the class if you'd wish to. It would be a very short talk (15 or so minutes) to tell about what it is like to be in the military and let the children ask you any questions they may have. If you are available to come talk to the class, please let me know.
- We write in the planners each day so please remember to <u>read the planner every night and sign it</u>. All homework as well as other communication should be put in the binder that your child brings home daily. It is very important that your child return that binder to school each day. Please remember to send all monies (lunch, t-shirt, etc.) to the school in an envelope. On the envelope please write my name, your child's name, and what the money is to be used for.
- If you have not done so, please become an "Additions" volunteer (<u>www.volunteer.ocps.net</u>). Remember that you must be an "Additions" Volunteer to be able to come and help out in the classroom, go on trips with us, attend any school functions, and even come to eat lunch with your child (children). We've finally received the extra tables that were ordered at the beginning of this year. Parents are now allowed to eat on campus with their children on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- Birthday parties are not allowed in our school. You may, however, drop off cupcakes that we can give out
  during recess while we sing "Happy Birthday" to your son/daughter. Please <u>do not</u> send cupcakes in with
  your child. There is a new procedure with paperwork to fill out for any outside foods brought in that are
  eaten during the school day. Because of this the cupcakes must be delivered by you, so that you can fill
  out the appropriate paperwork before we can share them.

Here are some important dates/reminders:

- Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> Last day for Boo Grams!
- Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Report Cards go home
- Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Hurricane Make-Up Day (There "WILL" be school that day!)
- Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> Report Cards go home!
- Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> Honor Roll Assembly (9am; for parents who received an invite)
- Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> GAC/SAC Meetings; No PTA meeting this month.
- Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> Fall Festival 4:00-8:00pm (more info to come)
- Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> Science Night (more info to come)
- Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup> Picture Retake Day
- Thursday, November 9th 3rd Grade Teachers Planning Day (all classes will have subs)
- Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> Veteran's Day Assembly (more info to come)
- Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> Teach In
- Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> **Progress Reports go home**
- Monday, November 20th Hurricane Makeup Day! (There will be school this day)
- Tuesday, November 21st Friday, November 24th Thanksgiving Break
- Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 10 Year Dedication Ceremony for TLE (more info to come)

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>Jennifer.reed@ocps.net</u> I am so grateful for the support I already see from you regarding your child's success this year. Thank you again, for sharing them with me each day!