

PIRATE NEWS

NOVEMBER 3RD, 2017

“TRESURED WORK”

Logan Taggart
Brielle Reider
Reese Thornton
Makayla Stephens
Bella Kring
Bryceton Timmer
Azeyla Smith
Chase Canupp
Emma Lownsbery
Ben Jubeck
Ethan Parce
Olivia Anderson
Addison Flannery
Joey King
Jack Arnold
Conner West
Sophia Feher
Trendelina Shabani
Sawyer Nelson
Emma Murphy
Mashara Abbott
James Traylor
Ryker Nugent
Cooper Falor
Olsa Alshiqi
Mina Le
Carter Stephens
Lillyen Simon
Sara Shabani
Donovan Reppenhagen
Nolan Condie
Lillian Terrill
Rose Reppenhagen
Haley Parent
Zoey Rosales
Makayla Stephens
Ziad Abdelrahman
Uhvant Blacksher
Ellie Drake
Ethan Sevenski
Wren Kinkley
Donavon Williams
Bryce Pricket
Shania Shamsiddeen
Isabella Alvarez
Drilon Alshiqi
Paige Tobias
Tyler Rice
Evalyn Klettke
Roan White
Maren Rusnak
James Horn
Enoch Fountain

“CARES CREW”

Karina Rice
Chase Canupp
Kinley Leonard
Nah'Layah Woods
Brooke Beukema
Mayor Al-Nassar
Adri Osmani
Olivia Lake
Katherine Hebert
Mariah Green
Elizabeth Kempf
Joey Huston
Lathyn Chesney
Aleaha Rieder
Paige Tobias
Alyssa Acero

STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER

Aida Kosloski
Brielle Rieder
Mackenzie Curry
Wren Kinkley
Benjamin Jubeck
Katherine Hebert
McKaelah Feeheley
Jemma Stepp
Aleaha Rieder
Joey Huston
Jaren Stepp
Ayden Parker
Phoebe Elder
Rem Piper
Eli Parker
Selena Clymo
Lila Cook
Ny'RiceeWoods

P.T.O MEETINGS NOVEMBER 7TH & DECEMBER 5TH @ 6:30

All families are welcome!
Please join us, we are looking
for new families to help us
prepare activities for our
students. We need you!

WALKING SCHOOL BUS

Walking School Bus needs
your help! We need adult
walkers to walk with children
from our designated spot to
the school in the mornings.
Our meeting point will be at
the farmer's market on cedar,
Tuesday & Thursday. We
begin walking at 8:00am, if
“walking wally” is not out, we
will not walk that day. If you
are interested, please contact
the WSB coordinator. You will
need to get a free background
check done. Lisa Bean
lisabean69@hotmail.com or
(517) 282-5542 call or text.



EARLY DISMISSAL WEDNESDAY

November
01
08
29

THANKSGIVING BREAK

November
22-24

TK TIDBITS

We have had a busy month! We went on our first field trip, have had our first party, and have made strides as learners. We are working hard on letter identification, learning our sounds, and writing our names. We are also working on identifying our numbers and ways to make different numbers. Our unit focus is families and how they can be different, and how our families care for each other.

SECOND GRADE

2nd grade has been working on a reading unit all about working together. Last week we learned about how to work together in a dangerous situation. This week we learned about how people have worked together in the past. We read an expository (informational) text on Abraham Lincoln, so your 2nd grader should be able to tell you a little about him. Also, we're writing our own expository nonfiction. In math we've started a chapter on single digit addition and subtraction. Double and triple digit is coming soon, so please help your 2nd grader become fluent with single digit facts. Practice quick facts (8+6) in the car on the way home every day and hopefully memorization will happen! Also, 2nd grade is really looking forward to our Halloween parade and party next week! Parade starts at 9:00am, come and see us!



Last call to sign up for DI, we will be putting together teams next week. Contact Mr. Smith if you need an application.

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten has had a busy month! We are wrapping up our science unit on the 5 Senses. We will begin a science unit called Tree Homes in November. We are learning how to write, count, and model numbers 5-9. We are writing personal narratives during Writing Workshop. The children are enjoying writing about themselves. They are learning to evaluate their own writing using a five-star rubric. They have learned so much since the start of the school year!

THIRD GRADE

3rd grade is rocking it through the month of October! This month we really showed our CARES and started to really become role models in the school.

In math we are all working through Chapter 3, which focuses on multiplication strategies. It is amazing to see the growth in the children throughout the short chapter. The students are also really enjoying switches and being able to work with all of the different 3rd grade teachers! We are also looking forward to our great Halloween celebrations in the classrooms!

FOURTH GRADE

We are getting ready for our first field trip. All 4th graders will be attending a performance at the Wharton Center, November 21st at 12:30. Prior to attending, a docent from the center will do a presentation in our classrooms to prepare students for the experience. We are working with Mrs. Waldron to integrate this into her teaching as well. We have limited chaperone tickets so contact your child's teacher if you wish to go. There will be a small fee for students and chaperones.

FIRST GRADE

First grade has continued focusing on phonics skills and spelling words each week. We are finishing up Chapter 3 of Go Math with a focus on addition strategies. We will be starting Chapter 4 where we will learn a variety of subtraction strategies. We continued practicing our week long writing assignments. We are learning about writing informational texts with a topic sentence, supporting facts, and a conclusion. We are continuing to enjoy our switches each week. In science we are learning about weather and tools to measure the wind. In Social Studies we are learning about the ways each of us is special and how we can learn from our differences. In Technology we are learning the computer terms how to use the different parts of the computer.

KINETICS

In Kinetics, we are well into our gymnastics unit, having a lot of fun and learning a lot. Ask your child to show you some of the animal movements that they have been learning (like the seal, alligator or crab walk). Gymnastics runs until November 10th and the following week, we will need to make sure to have gym shoes again every day in Kinetics for the remainder of the year. Our next unit is a shorter one that will focus on hula hoop manipulation. In this unit, hula hoops will be used to expand our body and space awareness, as students move hula hoops around different body parts and around the gym in a variety of ways.



Our Halloween Parade & Parties were a great success. Thanks to all of those that could join us...

Dear Elliott Elementary Families,

One of our Elliott C.A.R.E.S. expectations is Safety and the safety of our students is always of the utmost importance to the staff at Elliott. I want to thank all of our families that took part in the district survey and gave input on the safety of the building for our students. One thing that comes up on every survey that is administered is the safety of students at dismissal. With Elliott Elementary being a neighborhood school that was built in the 1950s when most students walked to and from school, it is now in the year 2017 that many students are dropped off and picked up by their parents and the space for parking is very limited. This results in a few difficulties and stressors for the staff and families at Elliott. The first being that there is a short window for pick up and there are many vehicles coming to Elliott. We know you want to get in and get your child as quickly as possible but please remember that there are many little bodies that can quickly run out in the parking lot. Please do not be in a rush, we would much rather you take a little longer to be safe.

Further down the road it would be great if more parking could be created for parents to park while waiting for school to dismiss, at the building and district level we are listening to your concerns and hoping that we will be able to accommodate the needs.

As a reminder school dismisses at 3:35. A few students that have alternate transportation other than the school bus or pick up leave a few minutes earlier but 98% of our students are dismissed at 3:35. The teachers and office staff at Elliott ask for your help in trying to refrain from picking up your child in the half hour before dismissal. This helps with fewer distractions in the classroom so that teachers can teach up until the end of the day and also that Mrs. Lenon can help care for our students. We appreciate your support and help with our initiatives that keep our students safe and learning.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact myself at 699-7926 or stop in.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Erin North

INTEGRATED ARTS

Visual Arts have been the focus in Integrated Arts over the last two weeks. 4th grade have used warm and cool colors to create Op Art. In November we will musically connect this sense of movement and color variance with the planets in our solar system. We will listen to and study the symphonic piece, "The Planets", by G. Holst.

Third graders have created "Five Patterns in Nature" art, and second grade have made collage art with a focus on land and seascapes. First graders have studied the "various lines" in art, designing art that uses them. Kindergarteners have focused their art making on shapes, and primary colors. Transitional Kindergarten used crayons to draw lines, making art that explores all areas on a piece of paper.

On full day Wednesdays, Integrated Arts and classroom teachers have added "Bonus Collaboration" projects. In September kindergarten students created "My 5 Senses" art that tied into their science curriculum. In October, 2nd graders acted out the story, "The Strongest One", from their Reading Street book. And in November, first graders will create art that reflects the four seasons, a great connection with their science curriculum!

During Team Time our 3rd and 4th graders have been working on the musical play, "This Is America". Students are learning great songs, reading expressively in groups, and also acting out some individual character parts. We also hope to study some of the flag art of artist, Jasper Johns.

Information from

Holt Public Schools

Food Services Department

Due to the difficulty being experienced in collecting monies due from parents/guardians for negative food account balances,

AS OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

Food Service Staff will be offering an alternative lunch comprised of a cheese sandwich, salad bar and milk to any student with a family balance equaling **-\$20.00** or more and will continue to serve the alternative meal until the balance is paid in full.

Please check your families' food account balance via family access on Skyward, watch for weekly alerts and respond to any low balance statements you receive from your student's school.

If you have any questions, please contact Food Services Department at 699-1111.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

ASBESTOS NOTICE

The Holt School District has conducted an extensive asbestos survey of all buildings and continues to monitor all remaining asbestos containing materials. This is accomplished through periodic surveillance and a re-inspection every three years. Based on the findings of these inspections a management plan was drafted and is available for public review at each school building office, during normal business hours.

PESTICIDE NOTICE

It is the practice of Holt Public Schools to use a "NO SPRAY" policy for the use of pesticides in any area where children or staff are present. In certain emergencies, pesticides may have to be Michigan Dept. of Agriculture requires the following notice: Parents & guardians of children attending school are to be notified by school administrators of the right to be informed prior to any application of a pesticide at their school. If you need a prior notification form, please contact the school office.

T-SHIRT ORDERS

We will be doing another round of orders for t-shirts for those that may have missed out. We will be sending home order forms as soon as they become available.

We also do have several youth sizes left in Large & Small for those that still want one.

Thanks!

