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Melrose Elementary Family Newsletter

Principal's Message

OCTOBER – NATIONAL BULLYING PREVENTION MONTH

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. On *October 18th* join us in wearing ORANGE to show unity against bullying. Ms. McKee, our school counselor, will spend time during classroom guidance lessons throughout October focusing on bullying awareness and prevention with students. Tune in for different events throughout the month of October to bring awareness and join us as a Melrose community in standing up against bullying!

MELROSE TRUNK OR TREAT

Please join us for our first Melrose Title Engagement Activity of the school year. Come dressed as a book character, decorate your trunk to match your family's book and enjoy a fun filled literacy evening at Melrose! If you are unable to assist with a trunk, please bring your family and enjoy the evening. This event is on *Thursday October 19th, from 6-7pm* located in the playground blacktop area. To make this a successful event we will need help from our staff, families, and Melrose PTO.

Upcoming Events

October 4

Domino's Dine to Donate

October 10

Melrose PTO- 6:30 pm

October 11

Melrose 4th Grade Ramseyer Trip

October 12

3rd Grade Fire Safety w/ WCFD - 9:30 am

October 13

No School- Teacher Inservice Day

October 16

3rd Grade Breakfast Buddies- 9:15 am

October 17

Bosco's Dine to Donate

October 18

Wear Orange to Show Unity Against Bullying

October 19

Melrose Trunk or Treat - 6 - 7 pm

October 20

2nd Grade Barberton Magical Theatre Company Trip- 9:15 am - 1 pm

October 24

Melrose Dental Clinic-9:30 - 11:30 am

October 24 and 26

Grade 3 OST ELA Testing

October 25

Melrose Fall Picture Retakes

October 27

Book Character Dress up Fall Party - 2:45 - 3:15 pm

MELROSE PTO PIG RAFFLE

The PTO will have its annual pig raffle the first two weeks of October. Tickets are \$5 for one and \$20 for five for approximately 25 lbs of bulk sausages, Breakfast Links and Bratwurst.

PTO MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on October 10.10 at 6:30 p.m. in Mrs. Buchholz-Udell's room. Childcare will be available.

PTO NEWS

We need volunteers to help out during the school day to help students on viewing/wish list days as well as shopping days. Contact the school or the Melrose PTO at ptomelrose@gmail.com

FALL CELEBRATIONS AND BOOK CHARACTER DAY

Fall celebrations in the classrooms will be on Friday, October 27 from 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. Students are encouraged to dress as their favorite book character!

LOST OBJECTS

During parent-teacher conferences, stop to see if your child has left any items at school. All unclaimed items will be donated on Friday, November 10.

HATS AND COATS LABELS

With the cold weather here, be sure to label all coats, hats, gloves, etc. Others may take clothes by mistake because they don't have any names.

LETTERS OF ABSENCE/TARDINESS

The time a child spends in school is valuable and should ensure that all aspects of their well-being are addressed, including physical, social, emotional and intellectual aspects. Ensuring our students are in school every day is a crucial first step. Please note that to comply with Ohio law we must send letters to students who meet the thresholds specified with the state. Call if you have any questions when you receive a letter.

HOLIDAYS FOR STUDENTS

Student holidays are allowed during the school year. Whenever a proposed vacation absence is requested, parents should discuss it with the principal. The length of the absence should be clear along with the educational experience the vacation will provide the student. All vacation requests must be submitted two weeks prior to the absence. For more information about vacation requests, please see the Parent and Student Handbook.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent teacher conferences are *Monday, November 6th and Thursday November 9th* from 4:30-7:30 pm. More information regarding appointment times will be sent home.

NO SCHOOL

October 13th – Staff Professional Development November 10th – PTC Release Day

Book Fair

The Melrose Book Fair will be available *November 6th through* 9th.

WOOSTER CITY SCHOOLS MASTER PLANNING SURVEY

Your Voice Matters! Please complete the Wooster City Schools Master Planning Survey. Your feedback will help us understand the community needs and create a new WCS Master Plan. You can find the Master Planning Survey at https://tinyurl.com/3vk87yb9

FALL PICTURE RETAKE

Retakes will be taken October 25th. In order to have your student's picture retaken you will need to send your original pictures with the student. We have extra picture forms in the office.

BOOK RECYCLE - NEW BOOKS FOR MELROSE!

Did you know that you can recycle your children's gently used books for our school library? Just bring them to school and any books that we cannot use will be taken to Books In Stock, Wooster's used book store. The credit will go toward the Melrose account at the store. We can then purchase books from the store for our library. Books can also be taken directly to the store, just ask them to put your credit on the Melrose account!

COUNSELOR'S CORNER W/ MRS. SHANIUK

Miss McKee has a new name! She is now Mrs Shaniuk! wstr_mshaniuk@woostercityschools.org.

We will be working on Habit #2, **Begin with the End in Mind**, for the month of October.

ANAZAO - If your student or family is in need of any case management services, please contact our new counselor, Ms. Paige Sprang.

sprangp@anazaocommunitypartners.org to have paperwork sent home with your child.

<u>Sunshine Committee</u> will be celebrating our Melrose custodians on October 2. Mrs. James and Mr Dodds work hard for our school all year. We are including our sub custodian, Mrs. Nichols, who has been filling in for Mr Dodd. Thank you for all you do for our school!