

March Newsletter

Oldsmar Elementary School

Principal Logan

Wishing everyone a relaxing spring break. Students will return to school on March 18th.

Dates to Remember

3/11-15- Spring Break
3/17- St. Patrick's Day
3/20- Mandolas Spirit night 3-8pm
3/22- Muffins with mom
3/29-No school-Good Friday



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MEDIA NEWS MRS. JONES

There are some exciting things happening in the Library! Battle of the Books is coming soon. There are six teams of 4th & 5th graders getting ready to battle at the end of March. The teams have been tasked to read the 15 SSYRA books for Grades 3-5. The battle will be between the teams to see who can answer the most questions about the books. The winning Oldsmar team will then move on to the District Semi-Finals in April. Good Luck to all who are participating!

Our Makerspace area is growing. We currently have STEM items for students to use, such as Lego, Keva planks and Qubits with which to complete building challenges. In the near future, I am hoping to expand this space to include an arts and crafts area, some robotics items and a few more STEM projects. Finally, the book fair was a huge success! Thank you to all of the volunteers that helped, the families that showed up on Literacy Night and everyone who helped contribute to its success. The money earned from it has already helped bring some new books into the library and the remaining funds will be used to help expand the Makerspace area.

P.E. NEWS!

February Student of the Month

Intermediate: Amelia Lengauer

Primary: Ezekiel Ramroop

Intermediate: Easton Cole

Primary: Miyana James



O.E.S

FAMILY & COMMUNITY

LIAISON: ALISHA REITH

Donations of beads and candy are needed as OES is participating in Oldsmar Days Parade this year! Please bring them to the office by April 1st. Please come and cheer us on.

IT IS VERY IMPORTANT to reactivate your level 1 volunteer status, this MUST be done every year! If you are not a level two and would like to be please contact Alisha Reith - reitha@pcsb.org for more information. A lot of field trips are requiring level 2 clearance. Please don't wait till last minute to have this completed.

The front office is looking for donations of GIRLS and BOYS pants, if you have any to donate, please bring them into the office.

PTA NEWS

We are looking for volunteers to make Muffins with Mom a great success. Please visit our facebook page to sign up!

If you do not follow us on Facebook please do so.

<https://www.facebook.com/OldsmarElementaryPTA> . You will be able to get a bunch of information on here.

We have two spirit events this month!

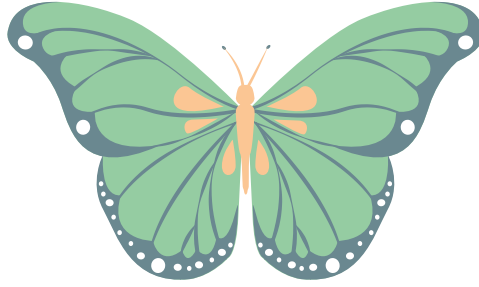
3.2. JGoody bakery and cafe! from 7:30am-3:00pm! please go and enjoy a family brunch!

Mandolas on 3.20 from 3pm-8pm!

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS FOR BASKETS TO RAFFLE DURING STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK. Please bring them into the office.



Mrs. Manning Counselor Corner



Oldsmar's Kids of Character for February

Each month a student from every classroom is nominated for the character trait of the month. The students receive a certificate and will be recognized at our next Hoot-N- Nanny. Please help us in congratulating these wonderful Kids of Character. They were nominated for Cooperation.

Cole: Harlow Thomas-Campbell

Kirberger: Ellie Green

Kane: Bentley Tressel

Phillips: Edelynn Kent

Wilhelmi: Leora Arthur-Smith

Sullivan: Christopher Figueroa

Wolff: Avery Grace

Wilkins: Nam Phan

Boone: Ezra Calvagno

Benton: Brielle Kantrowitz

Damann: Jake Koenig

Munson:Aaser Kandil

Halton: Braelynn Chichester

Ewing: Isabella Moseley

Lopez: Ryan Koenig

Rosenblum : Ava Vasquez

Barondick :Anesa Llabjani

Chichester : Britton Nye

Delgado : Sirena Rivera

Manion :Linh Nguyen

Giddings :Juliana Schaeffer

McFarland: Makenzie Gioscio

Mazirow: Logan Grace

Spindola: Mason Zhu

Ring: Emma Dong





CAFETERIA CHATTER

The lunch menu will be changing for the rest of the school year in order to meet dietary requirements and to test out new entrees for next school year. Please keep sending your kids to school with their water bottles especially as it starts to warm back up, they will need all the hydration they can get.

Fifth Grade Elective Choices are due

At the beginning of the month, all fifth grade students received information about Middle School Expo nights and how to go online to select their elective choices for 6th grade next year. If you and your 5th grade student have not made the elective choices, it is time to do that. Many of the middle schools' deadlines are next week. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the 6th grade counselor at your child's zoned middle school or you can contact Mrs. Manning at manningde@pcsb.org with your questions.

MRS. DUNSON

21st Century Learning and the 4 Cs submitted

One of the 4 C's for 21st century learning is critical thinking or evaluative thinking. Often, when faced with problems, we produce lots of solutions, other times we struggle. Sometimes it is helpful to organize our thinking to help us on our way to a viable and workable solution. There are many thinking skills we can draw from but one that is easy to use and can be useful is a strategy that comes from the work of Edward DeBono, he is the person responsible for coming up with the 6 thinking hats and he is also the man who came up with 10 CoRT (Cognitive Research Trust -the organization he was working for at the time) thinking skills of which one is P.M.I. (Plus, Minus, Interesting.)

When I practice this with students in class, we might look at an idea such as "by law, all cars must be yellow." We then set up three columns and list under each, the "P" for what is good about that idea or what is positive, "M" for what is not good or a minus about the idea, and "I" for what is just interesting about it. This is a great tool for kids and adults alike particularly when deciding about an important idea or concept. For example, I could do a PMI exercise before deciding on a family vacation destination. Adults sometimes do this exercise in their heads, but it can be helpful to jot these ideas down as well.



ART ROOM COLOR

Congratulations to February's Artists of the Month, 2nd grader Max Fischer and 5th Grader Ava Quimbo! We have such talented artists at Oldsmar Elementary!



READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Important Information:

Oldsmar/Eastlake Rotary Club Student of the Month

Sawyer Long, in Mrs. McFarland and Mrs. Spindola's 5th grade classes, was selected as the Oldsmar Elementary Rotary Student of the Month for February. Sawyer was nominated for her dedication to improving her academics, kindness to others and school involvement. Sawyer and her family were recognized by the Oldsmar/Eastlake Rotary Club at a luncheon on February 22, 2024. She received a certificate and t-shirt. The teachers and staff at Oldsmar Elementary are very proud of Sawyer and this accomplishment.

Say Something Week March 4 - 8, 2024

Say Something Week is sponsored by the Oldsmar Elementary SAVE Club and is part of Sandy Hook Promise and Anti-Violence campaign. During this week we want to encourage all our students that if they See Something, Say Something. The importance of Saying Something will be shared on morning announcements each morning. Students will be encouraged to identify who their "Trusted Adults" are. These are the adults that students feel comfortable talking to if they have a concern. Students will also discuss how to be an Upstander and not to stand by if something unkind or unsafe occurs. We would like all students to participate in Say Something Week by **GREEN wearing on Thursday, February 29.**

School activities

- STEM K-KIDS
- Soccer
- Flag Football
- Basketball
- Beautification
- SAVE Club
- Odyssey of the minds

