



The Cornell Chronicles

BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE
CORNELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY

IMPORTANT DATES

NO SCHOOL

February 2
February 16
February 19

Grade 2-4 Music Performance

February 7 @ 6:30pm at OHS
Students should arrive at 6:15pm

IMPORTANT LINKS

DISTRICT CALENDAR
LUNCH MENU
CORNELL STAFF DIRECTORY
ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL PROCEDURES
CARLINE SIGNS
PTO WEBSITE
2023-2024 FLYERS

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A Message from the Principal

Semester 1 Report Cards are scheduled to go home in Friday Folders on February 1, including Winter NWEA Family Reports and Reading Growth Plans (where applicable). Please take time to review the reports with your child(ren) and highlight areas of success & positive growth. This is also a great time to set small or short-term goals for continued growth with your child(ren). Cornell Staff is committed to being your partner in education. Feel comfortable reaching out to your child's teacher for clarification or additional information needed for continued growth and achievement!

~Mrs. Ojerio, Principal

Cornell Elementary Information

School Hours

Full Day: 8:50am-3:45pm
Half Day: 8:50am-12:00pm

PTO Information

Our next PTO Meeting will be held on January 24 @ 9am in the Library! Learn more @ the Cornell PTO Website

"Together...educating with excellence,
inspiring each learner for life."

News and Updates

Wolf of the Week!

Congratulations, Cornell Wolves! You are being acknowledged as a Wolf of the Week! Thank you for showing others what it means to be Respectful, Responsible, and Safe at Cornell!

January 12 & 19

KDG: Quinn W, Lavya J, Yiseo K & Paul V-C.

1: Ezra, James S, Mia C, Noah M, Jiho S, Mithrانش N & Jack S.

2: Alex T, Vera M & Audrey H.

3: Will M, Kai T, Alia H, Olive H, Nora M, Isabelle A & Liv G.

4: Max R, Bryan B, Vaibhav U, Hazel K, Ekam P,
Cecelia C, & Bob F.

Golden Spoon Awards

Congratulations to the following classrooms who are being acknowledged for being a shining example of what it means to be Respectful, Responsible, and Safe in the Lunchroom!

January 12 & January 19

K - Nahat & Schoen

1 - Schuesler & Hall

2 - Hughey & Pignataro

3 - Dykeman & Hixson

4 - Price/Godette & Sinila



January Character Trait

Honesty

Honesty means we are truthful in what we say and do. It means people can rely on us because we have integrity. Honesty is the basis of a trusting relationship. Encouraging honesty and demonstrating integrity contribute to fostering a positive school culture at Cornell Elementary.

The following children's literature selections focus on themes of being honest:

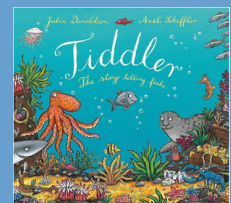
The Boy Who Cried Bigfoot
by Scott Magoon



I Want My Hat Back
by Jon Klassen



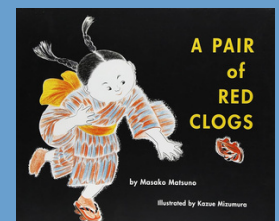
Tiddler
by Julia Donaldson



The Sad Little Fact
by Jonah Winter



A Pair of Red Clogs
by Masako Matsuno



PBIS Celebration

Next Friday we will have a

SCHOOL-WIDE CELEBRATION

and enjoy a motivational assembly with Jim "Basketball" Jones! Mr. Jones is an author, too! If you'd like to order any of his books at special pricing, he will bring them on Friday! Please return the form linked below, along with payment, to your child's teacher by Friday, January 26th if you'd like to order!

You can also get his books on Amazon:)

[Jim "Basketball" Jones Book Flier](#)



WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

The Cornell Learning Community works hard to have clear expectations and give recognition to kids for their positive choices throughout the school day! Please take a moment to share your feedback in this [SHORT SURVEY](#) as we continue to grow and learn to best meet the needs of all kids! Your feedback will be used by the Cornell CR-PBIS Team to improve our systems and focus our energy on areas that need improvement. Please use the link above or QR code!




THANK YOU!

News and Updates

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Student Spotlight

Mrs. Gutierrez's class got compliments from Miss Penny for being responsible, respectful, and safe during indoor lunch recess.

Shout out to Mrs. Schoen's Kindergarten students! The class is doing a nice job welcoming our 3 new students and including them in our classroom community.

Shout out to ALL 4th grade students who are on Safety Patrol! Thank you for being on time to post and staying observant during arrival and dismissal. You are role models for the school!

Shout out to our Cornell Artists! Displays of your work in art with Mrs. McNeilly bring sunshine to our dreary Winter days. Your expression and techniques show our diversity and uniqueness as a school family!

Shout out to our ALL students for your effort in the Cafeteria last week! If we had 20 Golden Spoons, Mrs. Mann would have gifted each classroom for being responsible, flexible, and patient!

Cornell Happenings

MOBILE DENTIST is returning to CORNELL:

January 22nd

If you signed up before Winter Break and your child was not seen, this is the rescheduled date!

OPS Bond Updates!

Interested in the progress of the 2022 Bond?

Scan or click to learn more!



Here are some FAQs that might also address your wonderings!

[FAQs](#)

Changing Seasons

Winter is upon us and the temperatures are dipping! Please be sure to send your child to school with a winter coat, hat, gloves, snow pants, and boots. Indoor shoes & extra socks are great, too! Many parents do this by sending a reusable SNOW BAG containing items for the day! All K-4 students will go outdoors daily for AM/PM Recess and Lunch Recess unless we experience extreme cold temperatures! Thank you!

A Message from the Office!

Vision & Hearing Screening

January 29 & 30

for students in Grades K, 1, and 3 only! Any other families with hearing/vision concerns may contact the office for more information!



Grade 2-4 Music Performance

Save the Date!

This year's music performance for 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade students is Wednesday, February 7th at 6:30pm in the Okemos High School auditorium. Students should arrive at 6:15 to meet with their class.

The performance will be about an hour long, and students are encouraged to dress nicely! This is a once-a-year event and we hope all students will be able to participate! If your child is unable to attend, please email Ms. Chase at kelly.chase@okemosk12.net.

We cannot wait to share our music with you!