

# November Newsletter Clayton Elementary

#### A MESSAGE FROM MRS. MOYER, PRINCIPAL

Happy November to all of our CES Families!

October was very successful with many events. Our Fall Festival was a huge success and it was amazing to see all of our families join in on the fun. Thank you to everyone who supported our Joe Corbis Fundraiser. The PTO raised over \$6000.00 that will go towards items for our students. We also want to thank everyone who participated in Pink Day and purchased socks for Breast Cancer Awareness. It was a true act of compassion shown by all.

November is a rather short month, so please be sure to look at the calendar of events in this Newsletter. We will have our first annual Craft Fair on Saturday, November 19th from 9am-2pm. Please join us and check out the numerous vendors.

Parent conferences are quickly approaching. Please be sure to schedule a conference with your child's teacher on Monday, November 21 and Tuesday, November 22. This is a great opportunity to gain valuable insight into your child's education.

Thanksgiving Break will begin Wednesday, November 23 and students will return on Monday, November 28. I wish you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving. Take this time to rest and spend time with your families.

As always, we appreciate the home-school connection and open communication. Please call us if you have any questions or concerns.

Please Join us on the following social media accounts: Facebook https://www.facebook.com/ClaytonElementarySchool Instagram @clayton\_eagles School website https://www.smyrna.kl2.de.us/ces

#### NEWS FROM MR. DAWS

As we enter into November and essentially the start of Holiday Season, it is important that we focus on our families and loved ones and remember that there are many in our community that are in need of support. Clayton Elementary will be highlighting our District Core Value of Compassion by holding a food drive from II/2-II/18. Information regarding the food drive will be sent home with your student(s). All donations will benefit the Smyrna Middle School Food Pantry as we work to support our community by giving back. We are extremely proud of our students for upholding our core values by showing compassion to those in need.

# COMING SOON

November 4 Professional Development Day - No School for Students

> November 8 Election Day - School Closed

November 10 Veteran's Day Ceremony - 9:30 am

November II Veterans Day - School Closed

November 21-22 Parent-Teacher Conferences/No School for Students

> November 23-25 Thanksgiving Break/School Closed



GREETINGS CES FAMILIES

THIS MONTH DURING CLASSROOM GUIDANCE LESSONS. KINDERGARTEN AND FIRST GRADERS WILL DISCUSS KINDNESS AND WAYS IN WHICH THEY CAN SHOW IT. WE WILL READ ABOUT BUCKET FILLERS AND SPILLERS IN KINDERGARTEN AND TN FTRST GRADE, WE WILL READ A BOOK ENTITLED "A LITTLE SPOT OF KINDNESS". IN SECOND GRADE, WE WILL DISCUSS SELF-ESTEEM AND THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HIGH AND LOW SELF-ESTEEM. WE WILL SHARE OUT WHAT WE ARE GO AT AND WHAT WE LIKE ABOUT OURSELVES WITH A NAME ACROSTIC POEM. IN THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE, WE WILL DISCUSS RESILIENCY AND HOW AND WHY IT IS IMPORTANT TO BOUNCE BACK WHEN THINGS DON'T SEEM TO GO OUR WAY. AFTER RECEIVING GROUP PERMISSION SLIPS BACK, I CAN SAY THAT SMALL, TOPIC-FOCUSED GROUPS ARE NOW UP AND RUNNING. OUR SCHOOL WIDE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING (SEL) THEME OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER IS FEELINGS. EACH DAY A REFLECTION QUESTION WILL BE ASKED ON THE ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR TOPIC OF THE MONTH. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION AT HOME, I SUGGEST FEELINGS TO SHARE FROM A TO Z BY TODD AND PEGGY SNOW OR THE COLOR MONSTER BY ANNA LLENAS. YOU COULD ALSO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY DURING TV TIME TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT HOW THE CHARACTERS ON SCREEN MIGHT FEEL GIVEN THEIR SITUATION.

SOME QUESTIONS YOU COULD ASK YOUR CHILD ABOUT THEIR OWN FEELINGS COULD INCLUDE:

DO YOU FEEL LIKE YOU HANDLE YOUR FEELINGS IN A HEALTHY WAY? WHY OR WHY NOT?

WHY DO YOU THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW HOW OTHERS ARE FEELING?

DO YOU THINK ALL FEELINGS ARE OKAY TO HAVE? WHY OR WHY NOT?

AS ALWAYS IF YOU HAVE ANY SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR CHILD, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT VIA PHONE AT 302-653-8587 OR VIA EMAIL AT SARAH.YATSKEVICH@SMYRNA.KI2.DE.US



LET'S FIGHT THE FLU AND COVID TOGETHER!

INFLUENZA (FLU) AND COVID ARE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF THE RESPIRATORY TRACT (NOSE, THROAT, AND LUNGS) THAT CAN LEAD TO SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS, INCLUDING PNEUMONIA AND THE WORSENING OF OTHER CHRONIC HEALTH CONDITIONS. SYMPTOMS MAY INCLUDE FEVER, HEADACHE, EXTREME TIREDNESS, DRY COUGH, SORE THROAT, RUNNY OR STUFFY NOSE, AND MUSCLE ACHES.

FOLLOW GOOD HEALTH GUIDELINES: GET YOUR FLU AND COVID VACCINES, AND WASH HANDS FREQUENTLY. EAT RIGHT, EXERCISE, AND GET PLENTY OF REST TO HELP BOOST YOUR IMMUNITY TO FIGHT THE EFFECTS OF COLDS AND FLU. DO THE ELBOW COUGH AND SNEEZE, AND DISINFECT HOT SPOTS AT SCHOOL, WORK, AND HOME (TELEPHONES, APPLIANCES, FAUCETS, LIGHT SWITCHES, DOOR HANDLES, TV REMOTES ETC.).

IF YOU GET THE FLU OR COVID TREAT THE SYMPTOMS, BUT AVOID GIVING ASPIRIN TO CHILDREN BECAUSE IT MAY CAUSE A RARE BUT SERIOUS ILLNESS CALLED REYE SYNDROME. REMAIN HOME UNTIL YOUR SYMPTOMS ARE RESOLVING AND YOU ARE FEVER FREE FOR 24 HOURS WITHOUT THE AID OF MEDICATION. FOR COVID REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE CDC GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS.





## STUDENT OF THE MONTH and CORE VALUE CHAMPION

Each month, the classroom teacher selects I student to represent their class based on positive characteristics that have been consistently displayed in the classroom. This is a very special honor for our students. They receive a certificate, a snack/ice cream voucher, their name read on the announcements, as well as their picture taken and placed on the Student of the Month bulletin board.

From this pool of students each month, the principals select I Core Value Champion from each grade level based on their display of behavior that supports the chosen Core Value for the month. For the month of October, the Core Value was INTEGRITY.

### OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH

KN Mariah Grant Caleb Lewis Jerrell Johnson Pamalick Touray Ist Grade Ayden Rideout Logan Hill Keegan Kreer Maverick Davis 2nd Grade Isabella Davis Dae'Miere Watson Autumn Otto Remington McCoy **3rd Grade** Bristol Massey Gavin Arnold Kooper Pelton Quinn Cordeiro Brantley Cahall 4th Grade Zarah Hill Luis De Sousa Diaz Cara Scuse Elena Schomburg Colton Burris

## OCTOBER CORE VALUE CHAMPION: INTEGRITY

KINDERGARTEN PAMALICK TOURAY

IST GRADE MAVERICK DAVIS

2ND GRADE DAE'MIERE WATSON

> 3RD GRADE GAVIN ARNOLD

4TH GRADE COLTON BURRIS