



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The first grading period ends this month. You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's progress at report card conferences on October 14th. This is an excellent time to examine your child's strengths and areas that need improvement, as well as set expectations for your child. Working together, we can become a successful team to help your child reach his or her highest potential.

During October, Pearl Upper celebrates Red Ribbon Week. This nationwide school activity encourages students to make good choices, to remain drug and alcohol free, and to be responsible citizens. We will have a different activity each day. I encourage all students to participate and have fun!

Kim Scutch, Principal

## **RED RIBBON WEEK**

<u>Students will participate in the following</u> <u>dress-up days October 28th - November 1st:</u>

Monday, October 28th: Tuesday, October 29th: Wednesday, October 30th:

Thursday, October 31st:

Friday, November 1st:

Wear Red Day Camo Day

Team Jersey Day

Halloween Costume Day (nothing scary or gory)

Pirate Pride Day

### **October Events**

October 4th

PUE Make-up School

Pictures/Club Pictures

<u>October 7th-11th</u> School Holiday—Fall Break

October 14th-21st
Scholastic Book Fair

October 14th
Report Card Conference Day
(no school for students)

Parents' Day at Book Fair (10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.)

October 18th
PUE Night at Ray Rogers Stadium

October 25th
October Student of the Month
Celebration

October 28th - November 1st Red Ribbon Week

<u>October 31st</u> Fall Treats/Trunk-or-Treat

<u>November 1st</u> Run from Drugs fun run for qualifying students

### OCTOBER 2024





This month is all about learning to create art together! We are currently working on fun paper pillows to put on display for the month of October. These include bats, candy corn, Jack-o-lanterns, and more! Once we finish these, we will begin learning about artist Jen Stark and will work on a collaborative re-creation of some of her pieces.

REMINDER: Please download the BoxTops app on your phone and scan your grocery receipts! This gives money to our school to help buy fun art supplies for our students! Also, remember to send pencil store money with your student on Art day!







#### It's Book Fair time!!

Our Scholastic Book Fair will take place on October 14th-21st There will be a wonderful selection of fun, engaging, and affordable books for students to purchase. Students may shop during school hours, and parents may shop on Monday, October 14th (Report Card Conference day). You may purchase a book to be delivered to your student by the "Book Fairy", so don't miss out on this fun opportunity! You may also visit <a href="https://www.scholastic.com/bf/pearlupper">https://www.scholastic.com/bf/pearlupper</a> to shop online or set up an e-wallet. All purchases benefit our school!



In the past month, 4th grade students have learned three ukulele chords: C Major, A minor, and F Major. This month, we will continue to review and practice switching between these chords in order to meet our goal of playing an entire song.

Fifth graders have been working hard to learn music for the Christmas program, which will be held December 12th at 6:00 p.m. in the auditorium at PHS. The PUE Honor Choir will sing during pregame at the PHS football game on October 18th.



# **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

**Mrs. Ed**mondson



October is going to be a super fun month that is jam-packed with exciting activities. I will begin this month by timing each student in a one-mile fun run. This will qualify the top students from each class to participate in our RUN FROM DRUGS race at the end of the month! Please remind your child to ALWAYS wear tennis shoes and bring a water bottle on their P.E. day!!!





During the month of October, the 4th grade students will practice sequencing, debugging puzzles with simple algorithms, and using loops/nested loops.

The 5th grade students will write programs, learn to create/animate sprites, and learn how to modify data stored in a variable.

Please encourage your child to practice their typing lessons at home in addition to their allotted 20 minutes in the classroom and to use proper typing technique while practicing typing! Happy Fall!

# CONGRATULATIONS



Pearl Upper 2024-2025 Teacher of the Year Ms. Payton Cook

4th Grade September Students of the Month





5th Grade September Students of the Month

# A NOTE FROM THE NURSE Nurse Brandi



Many of us look forward to trick-or-treating, but here are a few things to consider before you go. Reduce the risk of accidents by following the safety tips listed below, and then enjoy trick-ortreating with caution!

- Carry flashlights and glow sticks and use reflective tape on costumes and bags.
- · Look for flame-resistant costumes.
- Always test makeup in advance to make sure it doesn't trigger allergies or skin irritation.
- Allow parents/guardians to inspect all candy/treats before eating.
- Never enter a stranger's house or car.
- Be cautious and avoid strange animals or pets along the way.
- Keep your heads up, keep devices in your pocket, and be aware of your surroundings.

Have fun, be safe, and have a FA-BOO-LOUS time!

Trivia question: What is the study of blood called?



**Answer: Hematology**