

#### Junior Eagle Journal

Your Source for News from O'Neill Elementary School
March 2023



#### **Spring is Right Around the Corner**

If you know me well, you know I am a big fan of baseball (The Kansas City Royals, in particular). Once the Super Bowl ends, it becomes a countdown to the beginning of baseball season. Spring Training is just around the corner, which means the season is about to start!

I have always felt baseball is a great metaphor for life, and ultimately school. Spring training, like the beginning of the school year, is a time when hope springs eternal. No matter how your previous year went, you can always start anew and hope for a great year. As a Royals fan, I'm hoping we can forget the past few years!

As hopeful as we are at the beginning of the season or school year, we are now in the middle of the season, into what might be called the "dog days" of winter. Days are long, indoor recess is a regular occurance, homework is getting tougher, and we have been around the same people for about six months! It's easy to become apathetic & bored, but let's start thinking about finishing the year strong!

That said, here are a few tips I want to give all students and their parents.

- 1. **Don't worry about the count, whether you're up 3-0 or down 0-2, you've always got a chance to be a success.** So, even if the first three quarters of school were rough, always work hard and try to get a hit. Whether it's a single or a home run, just get a hit!
- 2. Be aware of the game situation. Maybe there are two outs with runners on the corners or bases empty with no outs. Keep up with your grades and homework. Know what assignments you have missing and find out how to get help handing them in.
- 3. **Get some coaching!** Don't be afraid to ask your teachers or friends for help with work that you don't understand. It's foolish to be too proud to ask for help. We are all a team, let's be successful together.
- 4. Set goals, even if it seems unattainable to some. Boston Red Sox Hall of Famer, Ted Williams once said, "A man has to have goals for a day, for a lifetime and that was mine, to have people say, 'There goes Ted Williams, the greatest hitter who ever lived." I think it's safe to say he reached his goal. No matter how big or small your goal is, sit down, commit to it and reach for it. You'd be amazed what simply committing does.

I could go on and on about the correlations of baseball, but I want to leave you with one last thought from famed author, Tom Swyers, "Worrying about things you can't control is a waste both on the baseball field and in life." So, show up, be prepared, and finish strong.

Thank you,

Mr. Jim York

Principal, O'Neill Elementary School

#### A Few Announcements...



- While winter is winding down, it can still be cold. That said, we have had many students show
  up to school without the proper winter coats or gloves. We have some extra hats, coats, and
  gloves. However, if your student does have a winter coat, please make sure he/she wears
  them to school.
- If your child is/will be gone from school, please contact the office so we can know about your child's whereabouts.
- Many of our students have been wearing sweatshirts to school on a regular basis, which is
  great. But, after two or three days of continuous wear, the sweatshirts can become dirty and a
  bit smelly. Please remember to wash those sweatshirts periodically.
- Any parent/guardian may request, and the district will provide, in a timely manner, information regarding the professional qualifications of a students teacher(s).
- In the event a school employees an unqualified teacher, the school will provide to each individual parent of a child who is a student in the school timely notice that the student has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who does not meet applicable State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.

#### **Eagle Way Minute**



The Eagle Way isn't just an expectation at school, it can be at home too. It's also an expectation throughout life, including on social media & the Internet. That said, here are some tips for doing things the Eagle Way during bed time.

- Be Safe-Brush teeth EVERY NIGHT!
  - Be Respectful-Pick out my clothes for tomorrow.
- Be Responsible-Go to bed at my designated bed time.

#### **Upcoming Dates**

March 6th-8th-Read Across America Week

March 8th-Last day of the 3rd Quarter

March 9th-10th-NO SCHOOL, Spring Break

March 13th–Junior Eagle Booster Meeting @ 5:00 pm

March 14th-Spirit Day: Mismatch Day

March 21st–NO Preschool, Kindergarten Sneak Peak, and Preschool Sneak Peak

March 22nd—Breakfast with Buddies (Like Doughnuts with Dads)

March 24th-Miles of Smiles

March 25th–Daddy-Daughter Dance @ 7:00 pm

March 28th–Kindergarten-3rd Grade Music Program (K-1 @ 6:00 pm & 2-3 @ 7:15 pm) in the OES Gym

March 29th—Doughnuts with Grownups (Like Muffins with Moms)

March 31st-NO SCHOOL, Staff Development



#### APPS

TO LIMIT/MONITOR YOUR CHILD'S SCREEN TIME

Zift · Qustodio · Focus Me ·

Screen Time · Norton Family ·

Freedom · unglue · Life360

### HOW TO SET PARENTAL CONTROLS ON YOUR CHILD'S PHONE

for iPhone: go to Settings> Screen time> Use screen time passcode

for Android: Settings> Digital wellbeing and parental controls> Set up parental controls

#### DID YOU KNOW:

The BEST way to keep your kids safe online is to teach them responsible, safe choices?

You can do this by periodically checking on their technology use and having conversations about their online choices.

As a parent, you have power to choose what your kids have access to online. You can do this through parental controls on their devices, apps to monitor and alert you of concerning behaviors, and by blocking specific websites through your Wi-Fi router.

You can also set limits around when and where your child uses technology, like using phones in common rooms and "checking in" their phone at bedtime.

#### BLOCKING WEBSITES THROUGH YOUR WI-FI ROUTER

Find your router's IP, and type it into any browser's address bar to get to its settings page. Try 192.168.1.1 or 192.168.0.1. You'll also need your router username and password. If you haven't changed it, the username is usually admin, and the password admin, password, or leaving it blank. If that doesn't work, check your router's manual.

Once you're in your router settings page, look for a setting called Block Sites, Access Restrictions, or something similar. You might find it under Security, Parental Controls, or Advanced. Every router is different, so again consult your manual.

When you find the setting, enter the domains you want to block. Now no one connected to this network can visit that site.

(source: https://www.designbombs.com/how-to-block-any-website-anywherecomputer-phone-network/)

#### **READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK @ OES**

To celebrate Read Across America Week, we at OES have different themed days. Participation is encouraged!

MONDAY, MARCH 6TH--Favorite Book Character

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH--Hat Day & Crazy Sock Day (Cat in the Hat & Fox in Socks Day)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH-PJ Day (Drop Everything and Read Day)

### The "Stroop Effect" Challenge

Look at the colors below and say the name of each color aloud. Don't read the words—just say the names of the colors the words are printed in.

Ready? Go!

Red Blue Yellow

Blue Green Yellow

Red Yellow Green

That was surprisingly hard, wasn't it? Did you make any mistakes? At the very least, it probably took you longer than you thought it would. That's because your brain wanted to read the **word** instead of paying attention to the **color** of the font.

Now try it again, but this time read the **words** aloud, ignoring the color. That was much easier, right? And you probably didn't make any mistakes.

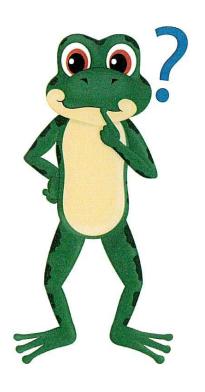
#### **Understanding the Stroop Effect**

This little exercise is a demonstration of the Stroop effect, which is named after the researcher who came up with the study in 1935. In the study, it took most participants more than twice as long to say the font colors as it did to read the words.<sup>1</sup>

The Stroop effect shows that, for literate adults, word recognition can be even more automatic than something as basic as color recognition. Reading the words doesn't require conscience effort. In fact, it is difficult *not* to read the words! And that's what we want for our students—for reading to become as effortless and unconscious as breathing!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stroop, J.R. (1935). Studies of interference in serial verbal reactions. *Journal of Experimental Psychology*, *18*, 643-662.





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## O'Neill Elementary, Grades PK-6 2022-2023 Breakfast, Grades K-6

* Chocolate Iced Long John  * Cereal Choices with Toast  Fruit  100% Fruit Juice 100% Fruit Juice Fresh Orange Slices Milk  1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	* Ultimate Chocolate Chip Breakfast Round * Cereal Choices with Toast Fruit 100% Fruit Juice Sliced Pears Milk 1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	* Pancake and Sausage Links * Cereal Choices with Toast Fruit 100% Fruit Juice Pineapple Tidbits Milk 1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	* Fresh Baked Egg & Cheese Biscuit Sandwich * Cereal Choices with Toast Fruit 100% Fruit Juice Applesauce Milk 1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	* French Toast Sticks with Syrup Dipping Sauce * Cereal Choices with Toast Fruit 100% Fruit Juice Sliced Peaches Milk 1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk
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- email: program.intake@usda.gov

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## O'Neill Elementary, Grades PK-6 2022-2023 Lunch, Grades K-5

Misc. No School	Misc. No School	* Beef Taco in a Bag  * Crispy Chicken Sandwich  * Ham & Turkey Charcuterie Shaker with Roasted Flatbread  * Vegetables Refried Beans Fruit Fruit and Veggie Bar  Desserts Fresh Baked Chocolate Chip Cookie Milk  1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	Entree  * Made Fresh Chicken & Noodles w/ Dinner Roll  * Country Fried Steak with Dinner Roll  * Fresh Baked Ham & Cheese Sub  Vegetables  Mashed Potatoes with Country Gravy Fruit  Fruit and Veggie Bar  Milk  1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk	* Pizza Pinwheels  * Mini Corn Dogs  * Fajita Shaker with Tortilla Chips  * Vegetables  Peas  Fruit  Fruit and Veggie Bar  Milk  1% Unflavored Milk  Chocolate Skim Milk  Strawberry Skim Milk
* Made Fresh Glazed Chicken over Rice  * Cheese Pizza  * Pepperoni Pizza  * Roasted Ham & Cheddar Deli Wrap  Vegetables  Steamed Carrots  Fruit  Fruit and Veggie Bar  Milk  1% Unflavored Milk  Chocolate Skim Milk  Strawberry Skim Milk	Entree  * Made Fresh Loaded Hash Browns with Biscuit  * Twisted Dog  * Fresh Baked Italian Sub  Vegetables  Steamed Broccoli Florets  Fruit  Fruit and Veggie Bar  Milk  1% Unflavored Milk  Chocolate Skim Milk  Strawberry Skim Milk	Entree * Super Nachos * BBQ Rib Sandwich * Chicken Gyro Shaker with Fire Roasted Flatbread Vegetables Zesty Black Beans Fruit Fruit and Veggie Bar Desserts Apple Crisp Milk 1% Unflavored Milk Chocolate Skim Milk Strawberry Skim Milk		

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