



JET FLASH



Week of December 14, 2020

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Communication is critical to making this school year a success for everyone. If you have any questions, comments, and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 419.836.6111 or at jstraka@oregoncs.org **Please join ClassDojo for reminders/updates sent directly to your phone. For more information, contact your child's teacher.** We always look to continuously improve, so your feedback and involvement is always welcome. Follow us on Twitter @JerusalemJets

Important Information and Updates:

From Mr. Straka:

One more week until Christmas Break!! Keep up the great work attending Zooms and completing your work. Reminder that students return to Remote Instruction on Tuesday, January 5th.

The second quarter ends on Friday, December 18th. If you have any questions/concerns regarding grades, please contact your child's teacher. Grades will be finalized and viewable via PowerSchool on January 8th.

Thank you to everyone that donated Food and/or Toys to the Oregon Food Basket drop-off event. It was a huge success, and it was great to see our Jerusalem Families! Your generosity is amazing!

Remote Learning Schedule Reminder:

Just a reminder that K-12 students will remain Remote until at least Monday, January 11th. Also, students are still expected to complete their assigned work on Wednesdays during this Remote Instructional period even though they may not have Live Zooms to attend. Please be sure to check Google Classroom, emails, ClassDojo, and/or other teacher communication to know what is expected to be completed on Wednesdays.

Giving Tree:



Again this year we are helping some of our families in these difficult times. If you are willing and able to help, you can visit the SignUp Genius link. All gifts need to be to the building by December 15th. If there are any questions please feel free to to contact Mrs. Hower or Mrs. Freimark

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054daea92fa1f49-2020>

Christmas Cookie Drive Thru:

Due to CoVid, everything is looking a little different this year. With remote learning, school buildings closed, the Toledo Symphony Concert cancelled and now with the shutdown of sports and extracurriculars, the Clay High School Volunteer Focus Cookie Walk was in jeopardy of being cancelled. The proceeds of this cookie walk has always helped fund scholarships for those

seniors who have volunteered their time within the schools and the community and are now choosing to further their education.

The students have stepped up to the challenge during this unprecedented and crazy pandemic. They have decided to volunteer their time and their funds to bake cookies at home and donate them for a Christmas Cookie Drive Thru. With the help from our great neighbors at Christ United Methodist Church, the students, who have always run this event in the past, are handing the reins over to Mrs. Walendzak and Mrs. Turner who will box up & sell the assorted cookies at Christ United Methodist Church.

There will be no need to get out of your car. Simply drive thru the parking lot and one of the ladies will come to you with cookies. This Christmas Cookie Drive Thru will be held:

Wednesday, December 16, 2020
5-6:30pm
Christ United Methodist Church
5757 Starr Ext. Oregon, OH 43616

Cookies will be \$7 per pre-assorted box.

All proceeds will be donated to the Clay High School Volunteer Focus Scholarship Fund.

Grab and Go Meal Program:

We are happy to announce that our Grab & Go meal program will start immediately on Monday, November 16, 2020. ALL SCHOOLS WILL BE OPEN FOR MEAL PICK-UP on designated days between 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Please register as soon as possible so we can provide your family with their school meals. Our meal pick up days while on remote will be Monday, November 16th and 23rd and Wednesday, November 18, 2020. We will be preparing and giving out hot lunches in To Go containers next Monday and Wednesday as part of our program. Wednesday's hot lunch will be our traditional Thanksgiving Meal. Be sure to pick up on all three days to get all the meals your children are qualified to receive. ALL CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 1-18 ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE THESE MEALS AT NO COST.

Our Grab & Go lunches will be available for pick up during our Remote schedule at all our schools starting on Monday, November 16, 2020 from

11:00 am – 1:00 pm. You must register your students for this program at: bit.ly/OCSmeals (it is case sensitive) or call our hotline at 419-698-6030 or email: EMERGENCY@oregoncs.org. There is a direct link on our website to register.

During registration you will choose one of the schools that your child attends as your pick up school. You will be able to pick up meals for all your children at that school. The door location for pick up will be on the registration form when you pick your school choice for pick up. Be sure to make a note of this location. We will also reference it in the reminder email to be sent Sunday night.

While the circumstances are not the best, we do look forward to serving our families during this time. Take care and remember to REGISTER!

Vicki B. Laurell

Oregon City School Food Service Supervisor

419-725-3380

Jerusalem Face Masks:

The order has been placed. You will be contacted as soon as they arrive. If you missed the order we will have a few extras for sale after distribution. PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS.

Health/Safety Reminders:

Proper wearing of a Face Mask

- Wash your hands before putting on your mask
- Place it on your nose and mouth and secure under your chin
- Try to fit it to the side of your face
- Loop around your ears. If a little too big, twist the ends and then over the ears.

Important things to remember

- Nose needs to be covered
- Wash your mask after a day of wearing. Ideal to have more than one to be able to switch.
- Do not touch the inside where all the moisture is. Fold insides together and move to laundry.

- Disposable (paper) masks are intended only for a single use.

Cool/Cold Weather and Outside Recess:

This is a reminder that we GO OUTSIDE for recess daily. ALL students need to have coats, hats and gloves. Please make sure all items are labeled with the students' names on them. Coats need to be zipped when they are outside, since Jerusalem Elementary is always extra cold and windy. We need to keep the students WARM and HEALTHY. Please stress to them to zip up, stay warm and have FUN.

Grade Level and Team Updates:

Kindergarten- Happy Holidays to all our parents, students, and extended families and caregivers. We thank you so much for all of your support, care and guidance these past few months. Please remember we will be doing assessments for the end of the quarter this week. You should already be scheduled a time for your child. Enjoy the holidays and a bit of down time to rest and relax. We will continue remote learning/teaching on Jan. 5th.

1st Grade- Thank you to all of the families for your continued support over the past few weeks. As a reminder, next week ends the second quarter. Please make sure that you have all of the completed assignments turned in by next Friday, December 18. Remote learning/instruction will continue on Tuesday, January 5. Happy holidays to all of the students, parents, extended families and caregivers!

2nd Grade-We would like to thank the parents and students for their support and hard work during remote learning, it is greatly appreciated! Next week is the end of the second quarter, so make sure all assignments are completed and turned in by the end of the week, thank you! We will continue with remote learning/instruction on Tuesday, January 5. We hope everyone has a relaxing break and wonderful holiday!

3rd Grade- Thank you for all of your support these past few months! Next week is the last week of the second quarter. Please make sure your child has all work completed and turned in by the end of the week. We will continue remote instruction on January 5th. Happy holidays to you and your families!

4th Grade- Thank you, families, for your support as we continue remote learning! Next week will be our last week of instruction and assignments before Christmas break. If you would like to pick up your fourth grader's Christmas banner, please stop by next week. Banners are organized by homeroom class on tables in the lobby. Have a safe and happy holiday!

Physical Education with Mr. Allen- I will echo the other teachers in saying thank you for all of your hard work and dedication throughout remote learning. Next week in PE, we will work on more fitness skills and create a few more physical activities that everyone can do at home over the holiday break.

Music with Mrs. Reinhart- It's so nice to see students during Zoom. We will be listening and moving to a variety of holiday songs during this last week until break. Thank you for all your hard work so far!

STEAM with Mrs. Minnick- Thank you to everyone working so hard at home. One more week until Christmas break. You CAN do it! We worked this week learning all about properties and purposes of materials in STEAM.

Box Tops for Education:

Please see the attached. Local stores that you can scan receipts and Jerusalem will get credit for any items that qualifies.... COSTCO, Kroger, WalMart and Meijer. Help us earn money while you are shopping. Thank you.

DINE TO DONATE:

Our last D2D was on December 1st, at Marco's Pizza. The winning classroom for December was Mrs. Shanks. Our next D2D is scheduled for **January 5th** at Marco's Pizza. Thanks for supporting our school!

Connecting Kids to Meals:

September 8, Connecting Kids to Meals will provide free dinners Monday through Friday to anyone 18 years old and younger. Meals will be available between 4:00 and 5:00 at the Oregon Branch Library, while supplies last. No reservation required.

Oregon Recreation Department Info:

The following link will direct you to information from the Oregon Rec Dept.
<https://www.oregonhiorec.com/>

See below for the attached flyer from the Oregon Rec and upcoming activities.

JPG NEWS:

All parents of current students are welcome and encouraged to attend monthly JPG meetings. We discuss a variety of topics and plan a vast majority of exciting Jerusalem events. All meetings will be held virtually at 7:00 pm via Zoom until further notice. Visit the FB page for more information. Below is a list of dates for upcoming meeting

January 7, 2021

March 11, 2021

February 8, 2021

April 14, 2021

May 10, 2021

We hope to see some new faces and meet some great parents in this upcoming school year.

Thanks, Jerusalem Parents Group

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS:

Did you know that you can earn money for Jerusalem Elementary School by shopping at Kroger?? All you need to do is sign up at the website below, and present your Kroger Plus Card when checking out! All money that we raise is used for the students in the form of assemblies, rewards, and much more.

<https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/>

This period is from August 1 to October 31. We earned **\$558.72** from 96 shoppers. Thanks for taking the time to do this!!

CLOTHES BIN UPDATE:

Did you know that **JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** and **Clothes Bin®** have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles? **So, please do not throw them away!** Just place the items in the **green** recycling bin in our parking lot. **Every pound of recycled items supports our school!**

Jerusalem earned \$50.05 for October in addition to helping our Environment. See the flyer below for more information!

Jerusalem's Facebook Page:

Jerusalem is excited to introduce our new Facebook page! Check us out at <https://www.facebook.com/JerusalemElementarySchool>

Jerusalem Elementary is on Twitter:

Jerusalem's Twitter account is now active. Please follow us @JerusalemJets to see some of the great things happening at Jerusalem Elementary!

ClassDojo:

ClassDojo is a communication app for the classroom. It connects teachers, parents, and students who use it to share photos, videos, and messages through the school day. They use **ClassDojo** to work together as a team, share in the classroom experience, and bring big ideas to life in their classrooms and homes. Jerusalem teachers may be using ClassDojo in a variety of ways within their classroom throughout the school year. Not all teachers are currently using this tool within their classroom at this time, as it is their choice. Some teachers will continue to communicate with parents through email, phone, newsletters, etc. **However, we encourage you to sign up for ClassDojo to receive important building updates/messages from Mr. Straka.**

Information on signing up for ClassDojo will be sent home from your child's teacher.

OCS FLYER Distribution Center:

Oregon City Schools has a Flyer Distribution Center with the purpose of communicating school and community information in a centralized location. Many of the flyers for district-wide and non-OCS events and activities you might normally find in this newsletter, will now be posted on this centralized site. Please visit the site here:

<https://www.oregoncityschools.org/PublicationsFlyerDistributionCenter.asp>
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Upcoming Events:

December

- 18 End of 2nd Nine Week Period
- 18 Christmas Break Begins at the Close of Day

January

- 4 Staff Work Day, No School
- 5 Dine to Donate: Marco's Pizza
- 7 JPG Monthly Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- 11 In-Person Classes resume
- 8 2nd Quarter Grades Final
- 15 Staff Training Day, No School
- 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School

Have a great week!

The Jerusalem Elementary School *Student of the Month* program is for those students who continuously do the right thing. The program is based on qualities such as character, leadership, and citizenship. This is not based solely on academics. The student of the month is a diligent student, completes his/her assignments on time, shows a strong effort to learn subjects to the best of their ability, is prepared for class, and has good classroom participation.

The student of the month demonstrates excellent behavior in and out of the classroom, is well mannered, and respectful to both peers and adults. The student of the month displays excellent citizenship by working together with classmates in a cooperative attitude. Lastly, the student of the month demonstrates character through his/her compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, responsibility, optimism, and loyalty by helping to create a positive school environment.

Each classroom will acknowledge one student per month to be the Student of the Month. Nominations will be done by the classroom teacher(s) and other staff members within the building. Teachers are encouraged to use the following guidelines:

RESPECTFUL

- o Honest, trustworthy, and respectful
- o Polite and respectful towards other students, staff, volunteers and all guests and visitors.
- o Uses kind and positive words
- o Listens to the speaker (teacher or peer)
- o Be respectful to themselves, each other, their school and their community

RESPONSIBLE

- o Follows directions and gives 100% of their best effort in class.
- o Student is a positive role model by example.
- o They are actively engaged in their learning.
- o Student follows class and school rules.

READY

- o Comes to school prepared and ready to learn.
- o Uses class time wisely and completes class work in a timely manner.
- o Student participates and puts forth good effort in all areas
- o Student arrives to school daily and on time

Each nominated student will be acknowledged at the end of the month by enjoying pizza and juice with Mr. Straka, and a special prize will be given. Also, look for the names of these students to be displayed on our Student of the Month bulletin board! Acknowledgement days will take place on the last Friday of the month, unless otherwise specified.



JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and **Clothes Bin®** have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles!

So, please do not throw them away!

Just place the items in the **green** recycling bin in our parking lot.

Every pound of recycled items supports our school!

Below is a list of items that can be placed in our bin:

Clothing: pants, jeans, skirts, dresses, suits, shorts, shirts, tees, tanks

Footwear: shoes, boots, heels, sneakers, sandals, socks, tights

Undergarments: bras, underwear, slips, camisoles

Accessories: hats, belts, ties, scarves, headbands

Handbags: wallets, totes, luggage, backpacks, briefcases

Linens: towels, sheets, comforters, blankets, tablecloths

As you clean out the old and bring in the new, **you** can help the environment and **Jerusalem Elementary School** too!



September 3, 2020

SUBJECT: ALL CHILDREN AGES 1-18 NOW EAT FREE SCHOOL MEALS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week the USDA announced they were allowing families nationwide to pick up free school meals from any school building that is providing Grab & Go school meals under the SSO program. ALL children under the age of 18 are now eligible for FREE meals until December 30, 2020 when the extension expires or when the funding for the USDA program is exhausted.

This extension ensures that “meals are reaching all children-whether they are learning in the classroom or virtually.” Oregon City Schools will start participating in the ALL FREE school meal program immediately and will continue with the GRAB & GO pick-ups already outlined in the enclosed flyer. There will be NO CHARGE for students or children 18 and under who participate from today forward. Our sites are located at Clay High School, Eisenhower Intermediate School and Starr Elementary School. Due to the Labor Day Holiday our new all Free program will begin Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

In order to prepare and have enough meals on hand during our Pick Up days on Monday and Wednesdays we are requesting that you follow the registration process outlined in our attached flyer. DO NOT REGISTER IF YOU HAVE ALREADY DONE SO UNLESS YOU NEED TO ADD ADDITIONAL CHILDREN. Please click on this [here to go to the Meal Reservation Site](#). Please submit ASAP so you get your first choice of delivery locations since we will have limits at each site and we can have the correct number of meals available.

If you need additional assistance, please call and leave a message at 419-698-6030 or email emergency@oregonc.org. Please allow up to 24 hours for a reply. Remember, to receive a full week of meals, you must pick up 2 meals on Monday and 3 meals on Wednesday. As always, we look forward to serving you and your family.

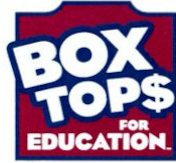
Stop the Spread of Germs

Help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Dear Families,

During this challenging time, our teachers and students need more help than ever. No matter what school looks like, Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to help out from home.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 20 years, and it really works. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost a billion dollars to schools since 1996. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital so that you can earn for your school with just the touch of a button.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your e-receipts and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and help give more kids the opportunity to dream. **Little by little, we can help make a big difference.**

**DON'T HAVE THE APP YET?
DOWNLOAD IT TODAY!**



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BTFE.COM

