

# JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JET FLASH

## Week of November 27, 2023

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Visit Jerusalem's Focus 3 Classroom [Here](#)



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Click [Here](#) for App Download.



### Jerusalem Elementary School Spirit Wear!

Spirit Store link [Here](#).

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](mailto: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

### Upcoming Events:

November

22 Staff Work Day, No School

23-24 Thanksgiving Break

December

4 JPG Monthly Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)

6 JPG Staff Luncheon

6 Santa Shop, All Day & 4-7 p.m.

6 Toy/Food Drive

8 Family Time, 2:30-3:20 pm

12 3rd Grade Music Program 6:30 pm

14 4th Grade Music Program 6:30 pm

21 JPG Winter Art Contest

21 End of 2nd Nine Week Period

21 Christmas Break Begins at the Close of Day



## *Important Information and Updates:*

### **From Mr. Straka:**

Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy the time with your family, and we will see on you Monday, November 27th!

### **Jerusalem Giving Tree:**

We have a number of families who could use some help this holiday season. Please consider visiting our Giving Tree to purchase an item or two. Thank you!



Please consider helping  
A Jerusalem Family this holiday season.  
Use this link to view the  
Wishlist:



<https://shorturl.at/tzCVW>

### Multi-Purpose Turf Field

The work has begun! Check in on our social media platforms for updates as the field progresses.



# COMING SOON!

## Multi-Purpose TURF PLAYING FIELD

Softball Soccer Tag Races Cheerleading Capture the Flag Tumbling Baseball Football Kickball

Made possible through  
the generous donations  
of our school families,  
and the JPG.



Thank you to Maumee Bay  
Turf for being a valued  
partner to OCS and our  
community!





## Toy and Food Drive

Save the Date for Student Council's Toy and Food Drive: Wednesday, December 6th from 5-7. This will be a great night! Enjoy activities for the entire family: pictures with Santa, cookie decorating, and shop for gifts at the Santa Shop!

Please consider donating toys or food to be donated to families in our area! \*Unwrapped gifts only, and please check expiration dates :-)

Thank you to the Jerusalem Recreation for donating the cookies this year!!!

# Jerusalem Elementary School *Student Council* AND IS HOSTING A Toy and Food Drive

(UNWRAPPED GIFTS AND CHECK EXPIRATION DATES PLEASE)

IN SUPPORT OF THE

Oregon Health and Welfare  
Christmas Basket Program

**Wednesday, December 6th**

**5-7 pm**

**PLUS: SHOP THE  
SANTA SHOP!**

**Take a picture with Santa!**



**Decorate cookies!**

## JCC Donations:

Our closet is in need of girls clothing, size 4T-16. Please consider donating, and as always, thank you to those who support our closet.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Hower: [shower@oregoncs.org](mailto:shower@oregoncs.org).





Jerusalem Elementary  
School

# Community Closet

is in special need of youth  
girls clothing, size 4T-16.

For the time being, we are  
only accepting new items,  
with tags. Examples of  
items accepted: Boys and  
Girls clothing 4T-16, and  
Juniors, Shoes, Boots,  
Socks, Underwear,  
Pajamas,  
and Hygiene Products.  
Thank you!!!



## K-6 Digital Media Safety Parent Meeting- December 5th!

Did you know...there are APPs meant to look like calculators or other tools that are used to disguise pictures and videos from parents...

All K-6 parents are encouraged to attend a Digital Media Safety presentation on December 5th at 7:00 pm. This will be held in the Eisenhower Auditorium. A detective from OPD will be presenting information on how to keep your children safer in the digital world we live in. This is meant for parents/guardians only.





The poster is for a "Digital Evidence Parent Meeting" for Oregon City Schools K-6. It features a green background with yellow and white accents. At the top left is the OCS logo. The title "DIGITAL EVIDENCE PARENT MEETING" is prominently displayed in white and yellow. To the right, a circular graphic shows a date: "TUESDAY 05 DEC. 7PM". Below the title, a paragraph of text invites OCS K-6 families to an informational night at Eisenhower Intermediate School on Tuesday, December 5th, at 7:00 pm. The text mentions that the discussion will focus on social media, safety, and taking control of their safety. Below this, a list of topics is provided with yellow checkmarks: "Popular Apps: the good and the bad," "Location Sharing," and "Get your questions answered." At the bottom left, a green box states "Presented by the Oregon Police Department in partnership with OCS". The poster is decorated with various icons: a smartphone showing a social media app, a thumbs up icon, a heart, a Wi-Fi symbol, and a circular inset showing a person using a laptop. The background of the poster also includes a blurred image of a person gesturing in a crowd.

 Oregon City Schools  
K-6

**DIGITAL EVIDENCE**  
**PARENT MEETING**

**TUESDAY**  
**05 DEC.**  
**7PM**

OCS K-6 families: Please join us for an informational night at Eisenhower Intermediate School on Tuesday, December 5th, at 7:00 pm. Our discussion topics will focus on what your kids are doing on social media, and how to take control of their safety.

- ✓ Popular Apps: the good and the bad.
- ✓ Location Sharing
- ✓ Get your questions answered

**Presented by the Oregon Police Department**  
in partnership with OCS

### Oregon Health and Welfare Christmas Basket Program:

The Oregon Health and Welfare Christmas Basket program is where many of the student council-run drives donate to. Student Council also visits their site and helps pack the items before they are distributed to families and facilities. Please take a moment to read about this program.

\*If you know someone in need of assistance, please pass this information along.





October 2023

Dear Parents,

The holiday season is fast approaching.

Oregon Health and Welfare is a not-for-profit organization that started the Christmas Basket program 60 years ago and serves the communities of Oregon, Harbor View, Curtice and Jerusalem Township. The organization is made up of volunteers and operates on donations from businesses, individuals, community organizations and help from Oregon schools. Every year students are asked to help with fundraising for the program or to participate in food drives of non-perishable food items or toys. Donated items are greatly appreciated by the recipients.

Last year canned goods, fresh fruits, vegetables, dairy products, meat, baking supplies, bread, cleaning products and personal hygiene items were distributed to 286 households. The program provided toys to 59 children under the age of 12 in our community. The success of the 2023 Christmas Basket program depends on your generosity and willingness to help your neighbors.

**If you or someone you know is in need of assistance this holiday season please share the following information:**

**The 2023 Holiday Food Basket program is available to residents of the City of Oregon, Curtice (Must live in Lucas County), Harbor View and Jerusalem Township.**

*Families and individuals in need of food assistance may request a food basket by completing an application each Monday in November beginning November 6th from 11:00am-1:00pm at the City of Oregon Municipal Complex in the Community Room located at 5330 Seaman Road Oregon.*

*A touchless application process will also be in place the month of November near the city Tax and Water drop box.*

*Apply in person with a valid drivers license or photo ID and proof of income (W2, Social Security, welfare or paystub). Applications will be cross referenced with the Toledo Area Christmas Clearing Bureau.*

If you have questions about the program, would like to make a donation or inquire about eligibility requirements please contact [oregonhealthandwelfare@gmail.com](mailto:oregonhealthandwelfare@gmail.com) or call (419)836-0559

Sincerely,

Hal Gregory  
Superintendent  
Oregon City Schools

Yvonne Thoma Patton  
Chairperson  
Oregon Health and Welfare

## Upcoming Community Events:

Check out these events happening soon and consider attending!





## Kinship Navigator Program Caregiver Information Night

- Are you a grandparent, aunt, uncle or other relative raising children within your extended family?
- Do you find yourself seeking support, education, and resources in the community?
- Do you want to learn more about programs available to help?

### THEN JOIN US!

Wed. November 29, 2023 | 6:00 – 7:00PM

Clay High School Auditorium

5665 Seaman Rd. Oregon, OH 43616

High school volunteers will be available to provide games and other activities for children, while you hear about the great ways the AOoA's Nationally Recognized Kinship Navigator Program can help!

CONTACT JESSICA FOR MORE INFORMATION

419-725-3351

[jfitch@oregonncs.org](mailto:jfitch@oregonncs.org)





CLAY HIGH SCHOOL • 5665 SEAMAN RD OREGON, OHIO

DECEMBER 2 • 08 10AM

# Breakfast with Santa



EGGS • PANCAKES •  
SAUSAGE • COFFEE • JUICE

Join Santa for a pancake breakfast!  
Photo opportunities available, please  
bring your own camera! Crafts, Bike  
Raffle, Story Time and So much More.

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ROTARY**



\$5.00 PER  
TICKET



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Jerusalem Elementary School Parents

OJHS

is hosting a SPECTACULAR

COMMUNITY

# Christmas

Free ★ Cookies ★ Cocoa ★ Visit Santa

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2ND, 2023**

**10:00 AM - 3:00 PM**

at First St. Mark's Educational Center (next to Brandville School)  
1121 Grasser Street in Oregon, Ohio



**STUDENTS: PICKUP YOUR ORNAMENT  
FROM THE SANTA ROOM ★ SELFIES  
WITH SANTA ★ HOT COCOA & COOKIES  
WRITE YOUR LETTER TO SEND TO THE  
NORTH POLE ★ MEET SUNDANCE AND  
BAYLEE - THE OJHS HORSES**



**COOKIE & BAKE SALE - UNIQUE GIFTS - X12 CHRISTMAS TREES RAFFLE - PLENTY OF PARKING**





### Clay High School Volunteer Focus Cookie Walk, Holiday Vendor/Craft Show, and Vespers Concert

Get ready to kick off the holiday season in style! Join us on Sunday, December 17, from 2:00-6:00pm, for a delightful trio of events!

#### Cookie Walk: 2:00 – 6:00 pm

Do you love to have a wide variety of holiday cookies for your guests to choose from but can't find the time to bake this year? Don't want the mess baking can cause? Let us do the baking for you! Join us for our much-anticipated, 12th annual, Cookie Walk! Upon entry, guests will receive a bakery box to mix and match your personalized assortment of homemade cookies. The cookies are priced at \$9 per pound, allowing you to indulge in as many sweet treats as you desire.

#### Holiday Vendor/Craft Show: 2:00-6:00 pm

Looking for unique gifts and festive decorations? Look no further than our Holiday Vendor/Craft Show. Local artisans and vendors will showcase their one-of-a-kind creations, providing you with the perfect opportunity to find that special something for everyone on your list. From handmade crafts to seasonal goodies, you're sure to find treasures that will add a special touch to your holiday celebrations.

#### Vespers Concert: 3pm (auditorium doors close at 2:55pm)

Get ready to be enchanted by the magical sounds of the season featuring Clay High School's talented band and choir members. This entertaining concert begins promptly at 3:00 pm in the auditorium. (Doors close at 2:55pm)

#### Event Details:

Sponsored by: Clay High School Volunteer Focus Students

Date: Sunday, December 17, 2023

Place: Clay High School Potter Field House

Time: 2:00-6:00pm (Vespers Concert starts at 3pm – auditorium doors close at 2:55pm)

Parking: Lot B (by the tennis courts)

Enter: Door #17

Make sure to mark your calendar and invite friends and family to join the festivities. Entrance is free and the joy is priceless!





## NEWS RELEASE-OCS CELEBRATES 2023 REPORT CARD



**Check out our new banner!**

We are so PROUD of our school! Keep it up, JETS!



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#### NEWS RELEASE-OCS CELEBRATES 2023 REPORT CARD

#### OREGON CITY SCHOOLS PROUD OF PERFORMANCE

Oregon City Schools (OCS) is celebrating the student growth documented by the latest 2023 state report card. This report card uses a FIVE star rating system to document performance of the overall district and each individual school. The OCS Board of Education, teachers and administrators have been working very hard for years adapting to the changing educational environment, adjusting curriculum, cultivating internal culture and assisting individual students to achieve success. OCS continues to improve and provide excellence in Academics, Athletics and the Arts.

We are excited about the academic progress we are making and want our community to celebrate with us. OCS maintained or increased our Star ratings in all 27 categories measured. Here is a summary of the overall ratings:

OCS Overall District Rating:	**** 4 Stars
OCS Career Technical Rating:	***** 5 Stars
Clay High School Overall District Rating:	**** 4 Stars
Fassett Junior High Overall District Rating:	***/* 3.5 Stars
Eisenhower Int. Overall District Rating:	****/* 4.5 Stars
Coy Elementary Overall District Rating:	***** 5 Stars
Jerusalem Elementary Overall District Rating:	****/* 4.5 Stars
Starr Elementary Overall District Rating:	****/* 4.5 Stars

Oregon City Schools offers a wide variety of programs and courses throughout the district. We are very proud of the extra-curricular and co-curricular activities available in our schools as well as the many career technical programs offered at Clay High School. OCS has something for everyone, no matter what pathway a student wants to pursue. We educate a variety of students with disabilities along with programs for gifted and talented. We value the education of every student!

OCS teachers, support staff and leaders are dedicated to implementing educational programs and services which make a difference in a young person's life while providing a safe and secure environment. The state report card is just one measure of our total educational system, but an important one.

Thank you to our families and community for the ongoing commitment to Oregon City Schools!

Report Card Information can be found here: <https://reportcard.education.ohio.gov/>

The Oregon City School District adheres to Title VI, Title IX, ADA, and Section 504; thus, does not discriminate in educational programs and employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex or handicap.

## Zones of Regulation:

Throughout the past couple of school years, a select group of teachers have been introducing the idea of ZONES into their classrooms. At this point, students in grade K-3 have a good foundation about this self-regulation program. Please take a moment to read the letter created by Mrs. Kellar, summarizing the idea behind ZONES.



The **ZONES** of Regulation is a valuable tool for helping elementary students recognize and manage their emotions, which is crucial for their social and emotional development. It's designed to help children understand and communicate their feelings and, in turn, develop self-regulation skills. When children understand their emotions, how those emotions affect their behavior, and how to self-regulate, they are able to achieve an optimal state of alertness. This program has been introduced to students in grades K through 3rd grade.

The program categorizes emotions into four color-coded zones:

- **Blue Zone** (Sad, Tired, Sick, or Slow): In this zone, children might feel sad, tired, or unwell. They may feel like resting or needing comfort.
- **Green Zone** (Happy, Calm, Focused, or Ready to Learn): This is the ideal zone for learning and socializing. Children in the green zone feel calm, focused, and ready to engage with their peers and learning activities.
- **Yellow Zone** (Excited, Frustrated, Worried, or Anxious): In this zone, children experience heightened emotions. They might feel anxious, excited, or frustrated. It's a signal to be aware and use self-regulation strategies.
- **Red Zone** (Angry, Scared, Terrified, or Excited or Explosive): This is the zone where strong and intense emotions are felt. Children might feel very angry, scared, or out of control. It's essential to help them regulate back to the green zone from the red zone.

Learning to use the Zones includes self-regulation strategies such as deep breathing, mindfulness techniques, taking a break, talking to a trusted adult, or using sensory tools like fidgets or stress balls. Parents are encouraged to work with their children on identifying which strategies work best for them.

Parents play a crucial role in reinforcing the concepts taught in the Zones of Regulation program. They can practice the program's language at home, provide a safe space for their child to express their feelings, and model appropriate emotional regulation.

Resources for Zones of Regulation:

- [Welcome to The Zones of Regulation](#)
- [Inside Out: Guessing the feelings.](#)
- [Create a self-regulation calm-down kit](#)

## 2023-2024 Calendars:

[2023-2024 Jerusalem Calendar of Events](#)

[2023-2024 District Calendar](#)

## Student/Parent Handbooks:

Click [here](#) for the current Student/Parent Handbook.

## Upcoming Community Events:

Check out these local events happening over the next month:

## Application for Free/Reduced Breakfast and Lunch:

All free and reduced applications will expire on Monday October 3, 2023. New applications have to be signed and dated after July 1, 2023 to be valid. New applications are available on-line through the link below. Paper applications will be available at the main office.

Meal pricing will be Breakfast: \$2.00, Lunch: \$3.00. Milk is \$.50.

<https://www.oregoncityschools.org/FoodService-StudentNutrition.aspx>

## Lunch Menu:

Click [here](#) for the lunch menu.

# Oregon City Schools Menu K-8 Aug – Nov



## Lunch Prices

Student: \$3.00  
Reduced: \$0  
Free for students with approved applications  
Adult: \$4.75  
Milk \$.50

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Menu #1	Corn Dog Baked Beans Carrot Snacks Peaches Milk	Breakfast for Lunch Dutch Waffle Turkey Sausage Scrambled Eggs Hashbrown Patty Vegetable Choice Juice Milk	Pizza Garden Salad with Dressing Apple Milk	Chicken Drumstick Dinner Roll/Marg Mashed Potatoes with Gravy Cauliflower Banana Milk	Pasta with Meat Sauce Cookie Green Beans Applesauce Cup Milk
Menu #2	Popcorn Chicken Potato Smiles Celery Orange Milk	Cheeseburger Sweet Potato Fries Fresh Veggie Toppings Pears Milk	Pizza Corn Carrot Snacks Apple Juice Milk	Walking Taco Beans & Cheese Shredded Lettuce Salsa Pineapple Milk	Macaroni & Cheese Broccoli Vegetable Choice Melon Milk
Menu #3	Chicken Sandwich Baked Beans Pickles Mandarin Oranges Milk	Breakfast for Lunch Omelet Pancake Bits/Syrup Tater Tots Juice Milk	Beef Pepperoni Calzone Garden Salad with Dressing Mixed Fruit Milk	Salisbury Steak Dinner Roll/Marg Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Carrot Snacks Banana Milk	Breaded Mozzarella Sticks Marinara Sauce Vegetable Choice Applesauce Cup Milk
Menu #4	Chicken Nuggets Dinner Roll/Marg Fries Vegetable Choice Raisins Milk	Bosco Stick Marinara Sauce Tossed Salad Juice Box Milk	Pizza Sweet Potato Fries Peaches Milk	Chili & Cheese Nachos Refried Beans Lettuce & Salsa Pears Milk	Fiesta Pizza Green Beans Fresh Broccoli Apple Milk

## Daily Lunch Offerings

Choose one of the following in place of the daily entrée.

Chef Salad with a Dinner Roll

Light Lunch with Yogurt, String Cheese, Dinner Roll, & Snack Item

Peanut Butter & Jelly Uncrustable, String Cheese, & Snack Item

Eisenhower and Fasset Only August 18 & 21

\*Pizza  
(2)Vegetable Choices  
Fruit Choice  
Milk

%  
Fasset Only  
K-6 No School

## Important Info

Parents are able to apply money to student lunch accounts on-line at [Payschoolscentral.com](https://payschoolscentral.com). The cafeteria will not accept payments.

On-line Free and Reduced Applications are available at [Payschoolscentral.com](https://payschoolscentral.com)

Paper applications are available at the district website. Click on Departments, Operations, and Food Service

## Holiday Meal will include:

Turkey, Dinner Roll with Margarine, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn, Raisins, Dessert and Milk

Menu updates will be posted to the district website when available.

Food Service questions can be directed to Julie Kalisik at 419-725-3380 or [jkalisik@oregoncs.org](mailto:jkalisik@oregoncs.org)

August 2023	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023
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Follow the menu with each calendar day. The menu is based on a 4-week cycle. Each week is represented by a color. The menu is subject to change due to food availability. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Grey Day is Holiday Meal

Strikethrough = No School

## Bus Safety:

Take a look at the [Bus Safety Presentation](#) created by Officer Jeff.

## Jerusalem Spirit Wear:

The Jerusalem Parents Group has partnered with 1st Place Spiritwear to offer online shopping year round.

<https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/OH/Curtice/Jerusalem+Elementary+School>

## Jerusalem Parents Group (JPG)

JPG Meetings 2023-2024 School Year:

Monday, December 4, 2023: 7:00 pm (Zoom)

Monday, February 12, 2024: 7:00 pm (Zoom)

Monday, March 4, 2024: 6:00 pm (In Person)

Wednesday, May 1, 2024: 6:00 pm (In Person)

## 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 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.

### Cell Phones and other electronic devices:

Just a reminder that all cell phones, smartwatches, and other personal electronic devices must be turned off and placed in the student's lockers upon arriving at school. These devices are often a distraction to students, and are not permitted to be with students during the day. Thanks for your cooperation!

### From the Office:

School fees can be paid in the office.

As we are starting to wear coats, please write your students name in the coat/sweatshirt/hoodie somewhere. There are MANY lost items in the Gym hallway.

Parent pickup at the end of the day. All calls should be made by 3:00 and no later. This will give the teacher time to check messages and drastically reduce the possibility of the student being in the wrong line. Thank you for your understanding.

### Deliveries for Students:

Jerusalem Elementary has implemented a system for items to be delivered to students once the day begins. **Please leave items on the table outside the office door**, complete the delivery log, and notify the secretary of your delivery. Thanks for your cooperation!

### School Supplies:

This year, we have decided to purchase a variety of school supplies for each classroom to start the year. This allowed us to decrease the number of items that parents are responsible for purchasing.

For a list of school supplies for each grade level, click [here](#).

### Morning Drop-Off Routine:

Please see the following important information involving the morning drop-off routine for students. Students will not be permitted to enter the building until **8:50 am**. Please do not let your child(ren) exit the vehicle until the main entrance doors are opened. Thanks for your cooperation!

- Please drive **slowly**.
- Please drop off your student(s) **between** the Safety Markers (plastic figures with flags). Do not drop off outside of this zone.
- Please stay in the car drop-off line until your child(ren) exits the vehicle. Do not drive around other vehicles to move ahead in line, or to exit the lot.
- Please have any and all children in your vehicle exit on the **building/driver side** of the vehicle.
- **Do not park in the drop off line.** We need to keep the traffic moving. It is preferred that students are dropped off in the identified zone, rather than walked into the building. If you need to enter the building for an appointment you must park your vehicle in a parking space, and carefully walk your child(ren) into the building.

Thank you for following these procedures, as we all work together to make the arrival process safe for students, parents, and staff.

### Parent Pick Up Cards:

If you plan on picking up your child(ren) from school, please see Mrs. Freimark in the office for a set of Parent Pick Up Cards unless you have yours from last year.

### Student Dismissal:

To help with the flow of traffic, parent pick-up students will be dismissed to the main entrance beginning at 3:30 pm. Please be sure to have your pick-up card out, and your child(ren)'s card attached to their book bag in a visible location. Please be patient with this process. If you don't have a parent pick-up card, you will be asked to enter the office and provide your ID.

Pick up cards will be available to be signed out on the 17th, 18th and 21st. Please stop in the office.

**For your child(ren)'s safety, we will only release students to parents/guardians with matching pick-up cards that are waiting in the lobby.**

### From Officer Jeff:

Have a great weekend!

### From Nurse Libbi:

Happy Thanksgiving Jerusalem Families!! It has been busy in the clinic. Lots of Headaches, belly aches, sore throats. Several have come back positive for Strep Throat. As always remember if your child is diagnosed with strep they need to be on antibiotics for a full 24hrs before they can return to school. If your child has a fever of 100.4 or greater they must remain home until fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medication. I have also had reports of pinkeye, again the antibiotic drop must be used for 24 hrs before returning to school. With all the above, remember if your student is still showing symptoms and is not feeling well, be mindful that maybe they should be kept home a day or 2 longer. I wish everyone the best turkey day ever!! Be safe and enjoy the long break.


### Grade Level and Team Updates:

**Kindergarten**-We hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving break and enjoys the extra time with family. This week we finish the alphabet with the letters Qq and Zz! Our words for the week are **an, can, man, ran, had, sad, am, as**. November reading logs are due on December 1st, don't forget to read and fill them in. As we head into December there will be a lot going on, remember to check your child's folder, class dojo, and the newsletter to stay up to date.

**1st Grade**- First Grade wishes you a Happy Thanksgiving, with a nice & relaxing break! When students return on Monday, we will practice to read and write using words with open syllables, like the word, no. Students will continue to read story problems with answers within 20 and answer facts within 20. Lastly, students are writing letters to Santa and will listen to the book "The Great Spruce" by John Edmund Duvall.

Happy Thanksgiving!!!





**2nd Grade-** The Second graders did a wonderful job sharing their Thanksgiving presentations this week! Thank you to all the parents for helping with this special project! Next week we will read various stories from our Wonders Series. Our focus skill will be finding the main idea and details, and making connections to the story. In Math we will continue Chapter 6, Fluently Subtract Within 100. Please keep in mind the November Reading calendar is due next Friday, December 1! Thank you to everyone who has been sending postcards for our "Postcards Across America" program as we try to reach our goal of receiving postcards from each of the 50 states. Please continue to ask family and friends to send a postcard to one of the Second grade classes! Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

**3rd Grade-** Happy Thanksgiving!

**4th Grade-** Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy your family time! News at <https://wakelet.com/wake/lwrlDNuctzFbR3XPjf8Js>

**Physical Education with Mr. Allen-** Next week in PE, we will go back to our basketball unit and focus on the skills necessary (passing, dribbling, shooting, defense)

Have a great Thanksgiving break!

**Music with Mrs. Reinhart-** The 3rd and 4th graders are working hard on their Holiday performances. The Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders are singing songs about Thanksgiving and being thankful. We also took a little time to learn about and watch some marching bands. Have a great Thanksgiving!

Please mark your calendars for our shows. Our 3rd grade performance is Tuesday, December 12th at 6:30pm and the 4th grade performance is Thursday, December 14th at 6:30pm on our Jerusalem stage.

This year our performances will begin at 6:30 pm on the Jerusalem stage.  
Please add these performance dates to your calendar.

December 12th - 3rd grade  
December 14th - 4th grade

April 23rd - 2nd grade  
April 25th - 1st grade

There will also be some assemblies that will be held during the school day that our students will be performing in. There will be more information sent out to the grades involved as we get closer to these assemblies.

**STEAM with Mrs. Minnick-** This week in STEAM, the students finished creating ornaments in partnership with the Oregon Jerulsaem Historical Society. Information on a special event they are hosting will be sent home with your child very soon. Be on the lookout for further details.

**Character Lessons with Mrs. Hower-** The first month of Character Lessons went smoothly! It was



month is **FRIENDSHIP**, and word of the month is **COMPASSION**. This month is also the Child Abuse Prevention Program for 1st and 3rd grade. Messages were sent home through DOJO explaining this program.

Event+Response=Outcome (E+R=O). Our RESPONSE should show RESPECT.

### POP TABS:

As we have done in the past, we are collecting POP tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. These get cashed in for money for their food program. It may not seem like anything to us as we throw them in the recycling bin, but it does have weight and value to them. Just have your child turn them into the office and we will deliver them to the Ronald McDonald House.



### Box Tops for Education

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.





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!**



LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW BOX TOPS WORKS AT  
**BTFE.COM**



Total earned from  
Aug. – Oct.  
\$609.37

*Thank you for your help!*

Earnings from  
October:  
\$95.10



## 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. Kroger earnings for 5/1/23 to 7/31/23 with 123 households ..... \$607.86

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

## 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!**



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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!



## Oregon Recreation Department Info:

The following link will direct you to information from the Oregon Rec Dept.

<https://www.oregonohiorec.com/>

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

## Jerusalem's Facebook Page:







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.

*Have a great week!*



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