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Dentzler Eagle Edition

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HOME/SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
"Dentzler, Growing Great Minds!"

Canned Food Drive

Thanks to everyone who participated in the PEA/PTA canned food drive this year. The second grade was the top contributing grade level! We had over 500 cans donated to help those in need in Parma, Parma Heights, and Seven Hills. Thank you for your service to others. We appreciate you!



Cold Weather Reminder

Students will go out for recess as long as the windchill is above 20 degrees. Please remind your children to wear their coats, hats, gloves, and scarves. Previous illness is not an excuse to stay indoors for recess. Only children that have a doctor's excuse will be permitted to stay inside.

Free Little Library

Do you need or want a book? Come to Dentzler's Free Little Library located in the front of the school. You can exchange books regularly because it's always fun to read something new.



PTA Book Fair

Thank you to our PTA for organizing and making sure our students were able to purchase Scholastic books. The students were excited to select and buy a new book. We are always encouraging and facilitating students' love of reading.

Thank you to the following people who gave of their time to work and provide the opportunity for our students to purchase books, Heather Ekechi, Kandi Graves, Michelle Rupanovic, Michelle Mager, Anna Medvetz, Alicia Driver, Presley Wolforn, Jamie Wolfe, Danielle Feiler, Carli Pajestka, Suzanne Veverka, Amanda Henderson, Paige McLain, Linda Martin, Jill Roland, Tricia Johnson, Patricia Ahrens, Your time and help is greatly appreciated.

Home Liaison - Ms Lisa Eland

Hello Dentzler Family! Welcome to December! I hope that you have a wonderful winter season and get some much needed rest as we have our small winter break. Let's enjoy family time and read a book or two together as a family.

If your family needs coats this year please contact me and we will get you the sizes that you need. Please email me at elandl@parmacityschools.org the size of coats you would need for your child and I will add them to our list.



Remember this holiday season to hold each other near and celebrate the blessings that you have

within your family. We look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Southwest Community Based Services is still a great resource for our Parma families. All of the contact information is still the same. The location has also not changed.

We are here to help!

Dentzler PTA

Thank you to all our families that have joined the PTA. Your membership helps us continue to provide events for our students and families throughout the year. If you have not joined yet, it's not too late. Please go to <https://dentzler.memberhub.com> to join today.

Thank you to everyone who supported our first ever Dentzler Fun Run. With your help, we raised \$7,422.00. Students and Staff all had fun as they ran, danced, hopped and spun around the course. The following classes were awarded and enjoyed an extra recess before our Thanksgiving Break: Team Mackin, Team Schweitzer, Team Cutler, Team Bender, Team Wilhelm, Team Ware, Team Pacer. Students should have come home with their prizes already. Those who raised \$100 will be receiving their shirts as soon as they come in from the printer.

The Holiday Shop is just a couple weeks away. We need volunteers to help make this annual tradition a success and fun for all. Please take a look at the sign up and help us when you are able. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F084AA4AE2CA6F85-46409883-dentzler>

To preview our Holiday Shop please go to: <https://tricdist.wpengine.com/holiday-shop-items/>

Our next PTA meeting will be at the Powers Blvd library on Dec 19 at 6:30p. Please join us and learn of all the exciting things we have planned for the rest of the 2023-2024 school year.

Safety Patrol

We are excited to start the second quarter with our Safety Patrol members in fourth grade. Guards were given the opportunity to try a new post by completing a survey during our November meeting. Our focus for our safety patrol members is on Citizenship and Responsibility. Guards work hard to be sure all school work is up to date and their attendance is kept up.

Congratulations to our new second quarter Captain Liam Piteo and Lieutenant Michael Donovan. November guards of the month are: Lucas Perotti, Kamila Gorlach, Sam Kullgren, Azret Zhamulov



Student Council

Dentzler's Student Council members, we are so thankful for you! During this month, we were very busy! Not only did students make posters for the Bake Sale, but we made chocolate covered pretzels to sell at the Election Day Bake Sale for the benefit of The Disabled American Veterans. Our 4th grade representatives spoke at our Veteran's Day Assembly and also led our annual parade. Fourth grade students also collected cans for our Yearly Canned Food Drive. Student Council is looking forward to helping bring some holiday cheer this December!



Box Tops for Education

Have you noticed that there are fewer and fewer Box Tops on the items you purchase? Box Tops for Education is changing to fit today's families by going digital. Although you may still find the traditional Box Tops they are being phased out. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, finding participating products and instantly adding Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Please support our school by downloading the free Box Tops for Education App! Continue to also send in any traditional Box Tops with your child. At 10 cents per Box Top the earnings can add up quickly when we all work together!



We are also still collecting pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities. Please save them and drop them off whenever you are able to do so!



"No act of kindness no matter how small is ever wasted." –Aesop

Dentzler Recycles

Please save your papers, catalogs, etc. and bring them to Dentzler to recycle them. Our school will earn money for each ton that we recycle. Every piece counts! We are also recycling markers. Any old and used marker from any brand, including highlighters, can be placed in the bin in the front lobby and in all classrooms for recycling. Thank you for helping us in this mission!

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle



Gifted

Students sometimes feel an unspoken expectation to always achieve at high levels. We are working to build habits of being a scholar. Being a scholar is not about straight As or being mistake-free. It is how we approach learning. According to the research of Dr. Sandra Kaplan, scholars:

Take the time to think about what they are learning. Are prepared and ready to learn with the tools necessary for the job. Understand that no matter how much we learn, there is always more to learn. Organize their learning and find ways to save their ideas. Exercise their minds and learn to keep going, even when faced with hard work. Set goals in life and learning. Take pride in their work and seek excellence in their finished products.

There are some general strategies for promoting these habits in your child. First, provide positive reinforcement whenever they display one of the habits. In addition to recognizing these traits within your child, point them out when encountering characters in favorite books, movies, or television shows, discussing eminent people in society, or even when sharing stories of family members past and present. Finally, identify one or two habits to develop further in your child. Spend time doing activities that will give them a chance to exercise that specific habit and then talk through it or reflect on how your child used the habit afterwards. With enough deliberate practice, these will eventually become routine.

Encore - PE

During the first quarter of the school year Physical Education classes had a focus of moving safely through the Gym for K-2nd grade, and Football being the focus for students in 3rd and 4th grade. During the second quarter we will be focusing on Soccer skills, along with manipulative skills utilizing beanbags, scarves, and hula hoops. Students have been doing a great job working with two classes in the gym at the same time and we hope they continue to be Respectful, Responsible, and Ready to Learn. Remember 7 days with no physical activity makes one weak! Stay active!



Homework Centers at CCPL

Since 2002, Cuyahoga County Public Library's free Homework Centers program has helped thousands of students in grades K – 8 improve their grades and subject comprehension. Homework Centers are available at 10 branches. Students who participate in the program receive homework assistance from trained tutors in the following subjects:

- Language arts
- Math
- Reading
- Science
- Social studies



Each Homework Center location offers two after-school sessions Monday through Thursday throughout the school year. Please contact your local branch for more information. [Registration is required.](#)

Learn more about CCPL Homework Centers at: <https://cuyahogalibrary.org/services/student-success/homework-help>



Dentzler Embrace All Coordinators:

Lisa Eland, Home Liaison & Kim Ware, 2nd Grade Teacher. Please contact us with any questions or ideas at (440) 843-8979 or elandl@parmacityschools.org & warek@parmacityschools.org

Embrace All Dentzler

We are incorporating our student Embrace All Ambassadors into our Dentzler day. They welcome new students, check in on friends, and are meeting monthly for projects. We are excited to see what they will do for our student body and school.

During the month of December our Embrace All monthly theme will be Celebrations Around the World. We are looking for students who would like to share their favorite family tradition on the morning announcements. Talk with your child and encourage them to share their favorite holiday meal or tradition. No matter what holiday, we are celebrating all cultural celebrations.

Embrace All Mission

We honor the uniqueness of each individual and embrace diverse backgrounds, values, and points of view to build a strong, inclusive community and to prepare students for lives in a multicultural society.



Important Upcoming Dates

Dec. 8 – 7:00pm Dentzler Winter Choral Concert @ Normandy High School

Dec. 11- 13 – Dentzler PTA Holiday Shop

Dec. 21 – 2:30 p.m. – Winter Parties

Dec. 22 - Jan. 5 – Winter Break

Jan. 8 – Classes Resume

Jan. 9 - Jan 23 - AimsWeb/MAP Testing Window



Eagle Exchange Store

Dentzler Dollars are a large part of our school wide PBIS Initiative. Dentzler are earned by following our PBIS behavior matrix expectations, making good choices, showing good behavior, good citizenship, and compassion for others. Students can be rewarded for their positive attitude, for their effort

in class, following expectations, etc. Students can spend their money at the Eagle Exchange (5 times a year) or save for larger rewards or special events (ex: dance party or extra recess) Check out some of the pictures from our first Eagle Exchange.



Second Step - SEL

As part of our PBIS Initiative at Dentzler, our teachers are infusing a Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum into their daily routines. With a lesson focused once a each week, this curriculum teaches our students important skills such as how to have empathy, emotion management, problem solving skills, friendship skills, and responsibility.



The weekly focus for each lesson varies, and there will be at least one lesson taught each week. Each grade level is focusing on finishing their Unit 2 Lessons for the next 4-5 weeks. Please talk with your child about these lessons, it will help to reinforce them at home! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

Kindergarten: Feelings, More Feelings, Identifying Anger, Same or Different?

1st Grade: Identifying Feelings, Looking for More Clues, Similarities and Differences, Feelings Change

2nd Grade: Identifying Feelings, Learning More About Feelings, Feeling Confident, Respecting Different Preferences

3rd Grade: Identifying Others' Feelings, Understanding Perspectives, Conflicting Feelings, Accepting Differences

4th Grade: Introducing Emotion Management, Managing Strong Feelings, Calming Down Anger, Managing Anxiety

Super Soaring Eagles

As part of our PBIS Initiative at Dentzler, we award "Super Soaring Eagles" awards to students who go far above our expectations academically and behaviorally. Each month, one student will be selected per grade level to receive the award and recognition. Students will receive a certificate, Dentzler Elementary bracelet and a "Soaring Eagle" yard sign. Our entire staff is proud of our students and their accomplishments.

November's Super Soaring Eagle Students are:

Danielle Goodsite – Kindergarten

Ella Manco – First Grade

Emma Rohman – Second Grade

Aliyah Al Rajabi – Third Grade

Braylon Kruchten – Third Grade

Mikaela Rivera – Fourth Grade



*Quarter 1 Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to these students who have achieved perfect attendance for the first marking period.

Harlow Matteo, Caiden Schmidt, Hattie Bonness, Annabelle Dombrowski, Gabriel Tellalian, Kimberly Gaines, Lucas Perotti, Alessandra Weis, Jeremiah Ebie, King Flenoy, Kkamila Gorlach, Omon Alzaaqq, aiana Salobecke, Lillian Dec, Mike Kolomiyets, Altan Marlow, Liam Mclain, Aria Najjar, Hadley Theus, Bradley Holmes, Dylan Imrie, Aydah Khalid, David Latea, Kyle Danik, Sophia Daprano, Blythe Desrochers, Aida Furtak, Iris Gordon, Marcelino Saleh, Aliyah AlRajabi, Emily Henderson, oksana Loik, Devin Smith, Dean Fabri, Sutyakant Magar, Rosemely, DaLaCruz, Marichka Kernychna Oleksandr Mishanin, Finnegan Morlan, Ryan Colon, Josie Desrochers, Mariia Korbiak, Rami Khalid, Charlotte Loucks, Parker Pajestka, Sheane Lowe, Sophia Olarte, Liam Piskunoff, Braidyn Yearout Vlach, Maksym Bobyk, Daniel Gorlach, Marko Loik, Carter Schmidt, Richard Seegert, Evelina Shykh, Tehia Yao, Zyon Clark, Keegan Burns, Griffin Hanslik, Anja Savic, Zain Alsadiq, Sofiia Hoysul, Harvey Kelbacher, Ashton Martinez, Samina Ziyadkhonova, Penelope Stakolich, Ryker Theus, Mark Bobyk, Derrick Fields, David Hotsul, Priya Khadka.

Great job. Thank you for your efforts and emphasis on attendance.

Even though the cold weather and winter sickness may be approaching, we hope to see more names on this list next quarter. Please reach out to the school if you need any help in the area of attendance, we are here to help.

