



Principally Speaking:

October 2016

On September 2nd, Chisholm held our Boosterthon Fun Run, which was the school's fundraiser for the school year. It was the culmination of the events over the course of the eight school days prior that were filled with character assemblies, pledged donations from our families, and numerous activities during the start of the school year. Last Friday, we were able to announce that our school had raised \$44,870.31 from this fundraiser. That number actually might be closer to \$45,000 since we still had some money trickle in during this past week. On behalf of our teachers, staff, and students, I wanted to thank everyone that donated pledges or time during this fundraiser. Your continued support of our school is greatly appreciated and will help us continue to add classroom materials, fund school activities, and support the learning of our students.

As we move into the Fall season with cooler weather and shorter days, our school has been busy with a variety of activities. Last week the 2nd grade presented their program titled, "Getting Down with Mama Goose", which was based on popular nursery rhymes and stories from our childhood. The 2nd Graders and their teachers did an amazing job putting this program together. On September 23rd, Chisholm held it's annual Family Fun Night, which was filled with numerous activities, beautiful weather, and a fun evening to socialize with other Chisholm families.

Looking forward, parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, October 13th, and Tuesday, October 18th. Both conference evenings will begin at 4:30 pm and end at 8:00 pm. Towards the end of the month, our Story Book Parade will take place on October 28th, starting at 2:00 pm with refreshments in the classroom following the parade.

Overall, we have had a very successful start to the school year. Everyone seems to be adjusting well to the pace of the school day. Students are busy each day learning new material and working on projects or activities associated with their grade level or subject. Teachers are integrating STEM activities into their science lessons and navigating into our new English and Language Arts curriculum.

Thank you again for your continued support as we move deeper into the school year.

Mr. Higdon



**COMING
EVENTS...**

Mrs. Bardrick's Bulletin Board

Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, October 13th and Tuesday, October 18th. Conferences are a great opportunity for you and

your child's teacher to share insights and information about his/her progress since the school year began. You and your child's teacher want the very best for your child. You can help your child most by working together as a team. The teacher will share positive feedback as well as areas where your child may be struggling. Like all good conversations, parent-teacher conferences are most beneficial when both people *talk and listen*. Be prepared by thinking ahead about your child's strengths and challenges. Make a list and be ready to ask questions about ways you and the teacher can support your child in their education. Be sure to ask the most important questions first. The parent-teacher conference is all about your child, so don't forget to share with him/her what you learned after meeting with the teacher. Communication (in person, by phone, notes, email, text, etc.) is so important and works both ways. Find out what way works best for each of you. Stay in touch with your child's teacher and they will do the same. Enjoy your conference!

OCT. 7	SPIRIT DAY, POPCORN & BOX TOP COLLECTION
OCT. 10	PTO MEETING 8:30 AM
OCT. 11	PICTURE RETAKES PANERA BREAD NIGHT
OCT. 13	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES 4:30-8:00 PM
OCT. 14	PRINCIPAL & COUNSELOR APPRECIATION DAY
OCT. 18	PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES 4:30-8:00 PM
OCT. 19	END OF 1ST 9 WEEKS
OCT. 20-24	FALL BREAK
OCT. 24-28	RED RIBBON WEEK
OCT. 27	REPORT CARD DAY
OCT. 28	STORY BOOK PARADE 2:00 PM REFRESHMENTS 2:30 PM

Hello Chisholm families! I wanted to remind you of some links to helpful websites and apps that may be of assistance during the school year.

Lunch Menu/Pricing/Etc.—<http://www.schoolnutritionandfitness.com/index.php?page=menus&sid=1810111604228034>

InTouch—<http://edmondschools.net/parents-students/intouch-online-pay/>

Facebook PTO—<https://www.facebook.com/ChisholmPTO>

Infinite Campus—<http://edmondschools.net/parentportal/>

School Way App—<http://www.myschoolway.com/>



Counselor's Corner ...

Helping Children Succeed in School

The month of October means many things. Cooler weather is coming, and our days are getting shorter. The leaves on the trees are changing and exploding with bright color. To a school, October means Christopher Columbus, fall break, pumpkins, and Red Ribbon Week.

The first Red Ribbon Week was organized in 1986 by an organization of parents who were dedicated to protecting their community from the destruction caused by alcohol and drug use. Since that time, the campaign has reached millions of children throughout the country. This year Chisholm will celebrate Red Ribbon Week October 24-28.

During guidance classes for the month of October, I will be focusing on the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse, and making good choices.

While school systems educate children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol, remember that you, the parents, are the first and best teacher. Take time to talk to your children about drugs and alcohol. Role-play situations where they may be approached to try drugs and teach them how to say no. Be involved in their life, and know whom they are friends with. Let them know that they can take a stand against drugs and alcohol.

Mrs. Murray

MEDIA CENTER NEWS



Hello Charger Families and Happy October!

The school year is off to a great start in the media center! Our younger students are learning the basics of using the library and checking out books. Our older students have been busy checking out books, as well as, learning about some important authors. Our fifth graders are learning how to book talk their favorite books. We're looking forward to a great year ahead!

Looking ahead, our fall book fair is scheduled for November 7th-11th. It is always a fun time of the year! Information will be going out soon about how to sign up to be a volunteer during the fair.

Some fun events happening in the community this month:

LEGO Block Party- Saturday, October 8th from 3-4:30pm at the Edmond Library.

Registration is still open.

Halloween Spooky Science - Tuesday, October 11th from 6:30-7:15pm at the Edmond Library. Registration begins October 1st.

Children Reading to Dogs - Tuesday, October 4th and October 18th from 6:30-7:30pm at the Edmond Library.

Edmond Memorial High School presents The Great Pumpkin is Here, Charlie Brown! - Saturday, October 29th from 10-11am at the Edmond Library.



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PTO NEWS **The Best Play Here!**

Thank you to all the families that attended Family Fun Night! We hope you had a great time! We have had amazing fund raising efforts this year, with all efforts totaling roughly \$50,000. Your generosity will allow Chisholm PTO to fund all the wonderful programs that improve and enrich our children's education.

Jill Kastl-Cobb
PTO President

Upcoming Events:

10/7: Spirit Day, Popcorn & Box Top Collection

10/10: PTO Meeting at 8:30 am

10/11: Picture Retakes

10/11: Panera Bread – Restaurant Night

10/13 & 10/18: Parent Teacher Conferences

10/14: Principal & Counselor Appreciation Day

10/20 – 10-24: FALL BREAK

10/27: Report Card Day

10/28: Story Book Parade 2 PM & Fall Party 2:30 PM

Chisholm Clothing:

The Fall long-sleeve t-shirt design is in! The order forms are due Friday, October 14th!

Chisholm Thunder Night

Sunday, November 20th, 2016 at 6pm vs. Indiana Pacers

Order forms went home in Thursday Folders and are due back in the front office by October 21, 2016 or until sold out.

Book Fair:

The Book Fair is coming up November 7 – 11, 2016. Be on the look out for a Sign-up Genius going out mid-October for volunteers!

Appreciation:

Have your Kids write or draw a special note to Mr. Hidgon, Mrs. Bardrick & Mrs. Murray to show how much we care for them!

Box Tops:

Keep your grocery receipt from wherever you buy groceries and scan it on your device to earn double box tops for Chisholm (once for your scan and once for turning it in like normal). Our School ID number is 406091

Download for IOS devices here: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/box-tops-bonus-app-school/id1150038564?ls=1&mt=8>

Download for Android Devices here: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.general Mills.btfe>

Story Book Parade Reminders:

Send your child's costume with them to school and they will be given time before the parade to change. Please remember no face paint or masks. Come join us at the students parade around the school and then return to their classrooms for refreshments.

