



# OWL NEWS

December 1,  
2016

Calendar of Events	
Date	Event
12/5-12/9	Hour of Code ELO
12/6 and 12/7	Destination Imagination
12/9	2 Hour Early Dismissal
12/7	Rubik's Cube Club
12/12-12/16	ELO
12/12	Character Counts Luncheon Cultural Arts Program - The Music Box - Grades 3-5
12/13	5th Grade Band Concert at Linganore High School
12/13 and 12/14	Destination Imagination
12/14	Rubik's Cube Club 5th Grade Parent Preview for Family Life and Disease Prevention, 3:00
12/16	Spirit Day- Pajama Day ( <b>no slippers please</b> ) PTA Movie Night, 6:00
12/19-12/22	ELO
12/20 and 12/21	Destination Imagination
12/21	Rubik's Cube Club
12/23-1/2	Schools Closed for Students

## Winning Students

Mrs. Clifford, Mrs. Hanner and Mr. Gill met with each grade level this week to review our school rules; Respect Others, Respect Self and Respect Property. Be sure to ask your child how a boomerang, fine china and the Under Armor slogan relate to these rules! Our school counselor and administrators will be searching for students to receive Character Cards for going that extra mile to live out our school rules. These students will then have their picture taken to be displayed on a 'Winning Wall' in the principal's office. Congratulations to the following winning students who have already been recognized; Marie Ireland, Drew Phipps, Kaitlyn Rytter and Sommer Goodman. (Please note that we

will not announce names of students if a parent has indicated 'no media' on their Confidential Student Information Card.)

### **Conference Dinner**

On behalf of our entire staff, thank you to our families for providing dinner during conference week! Not only was the food delicious, but it allowed staff more time to prepare for conferences and additional time to actually meet with all of our parents.

### **Thanksgiving Lunch**

We had over 200 guests join us for our annual Thanksgiving dinner for lunch on November 17! We couldn't have pulled this off without the army of volunteers coordinated by our PTA. Volunteers helped prepare and serve all of these meals, not to mention all the dishes they washed and assistance cleaning up the cafeteria between shifts. We are so thankful for such an actively involved community!



### **OES Holiday Help**

Thank you for the generous outpouring which allowed us to provide several of our families with a turkey dinner including all the fixings for Thanksgiving! A tremendous thank you is also extended to



Mrs. Gibbons and Mr. Gill for coordinating these efforts. It is always humbling to see our community come together to demonstrate how much we care about our students and their families.

Below is a link that includes wish lists for students in our community that may not otherwise receive gifts this holiday season. If you are interested in making someone's holiday a little brighter please click on the following link:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E48ACAC29A4F49-holiday](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E48ACAC29A4F49-holiday)

### **Hearing and Vision Screenings**

Hearing and vision screenings will take place January 11 - January 12 for all students in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten (if not previously screened upon entry in FCPS Pre-K), first grade and students that enrolled this year to the Maryland public school system. Maryland state law mandates this screening. Parents/guardians who have an objection to a hearing and vision screenings, based on the tenets and/or practice of their religion, must submit a request for their child to be exempt from screening. All written requests must be submitted to the health room by January 6. If your child wears glasses, please make sure he/she wears his/her glasses or contacts on screening days. If you have any questions please contact the health room at 240-236-3360.

### **Toys for Tots Reminder**

We are a drop off location for the Toys for Tots program! You can drop off unwrapped toys in the boxes in our lobby through December 16. Thank you for your support!

### **School Spirit Dates Reminder**

**December 16- PJ Day (no slippers please)**

January 20- Multiples Day/Dress Like a Friend

February 17- Crazy Hair Day

March 17- Hat Day

April 28- Go Green Day

May 19- OES Spirit Day

June 9- Beach Day (no bathing suits please!)

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