# Harrison Elementary School

October 4, 2024

### **Dates to Remember**

- \* October 7 21- PTA Popcorn Fundraiser
- \* October 7 -18 Harrison Spirit Wear Sale
- \* October 8 2nd Grade Field Trip
- \* October 9 Fire Safety Assembly Grades 3-5
- \* October 10 Picture Day
- \* October 11 NEOEA Day No School
- \* October 18 PTA Trunk or Treat 5:30 p.m.
- \* October 22 Ohio State Testing ELA Part 1 Grade 3

PTA General Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Angelo's PTA Pizza Night

\* October 23 - Ohio State Testing - ELA Part 2 - Grade 3

Reverse Trick or Treat

- \* October 23 -25th Parent/Teacher Conferences by appointment only.
- \* October 30 Elementary Task Force Community Conversation @ Roosevelt 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- \* October 31 Halloween Fall Festivities Modified Costume Option (See PTA Notes Last Page).

#### **Looking Ahead:**

- \* November 5th Election Day No School/Professional Day for Staff
- \* November 19 PTA General Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- \* November 20-24 Thanksgiving Break No School



## **Fire Safety Week**

Fire Safety Week is October 7th -October 11th and is in commemoration of the Great Chicago Fire in 1871. Lakewood Firefighters will visit elementary schools during the week to speak to students and demonstrate fire equipment. Our 5th grade

students participated in the Junior Fire Chief Essay Contest. Two students have been selected based on their essays to take the Fire Chief Test. The winners will be announced during the firefighter's visit to Harrison Wednesday, October 9th. All students had the opportunity to participate in a Fire Safety Poster Contest and we look forward to hearing who those winners are



as well. One of Harrison's fifth grade students last year was one of the twelve students selected to have their artwork featured. This year's theme is, "Fire Alarms: Make them work for you."

#### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

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We are approaching parent/teacher conference time. Conferences are informative and meant to provide parents insight relating to your child's academic progress, expected growth related to grade level standards, strengths, and needs. The schedule provided for conferences is geared to provide some flexibility so that every parent/guardian has an opportunity to participate. We value your participation in your child's educational experience and look forward to collaborating with you during this time.

We use an electronic scheduling system that allows you to schedule your child's conference. The scheduling window is now open and information regarding access to the system was sent out by classroom teachers earlier this week. The information provides you with the link and the classroom teacher's code, which will support you in scheduling your child's conference. Please see the conference schedule and make note of the days that there is no school. **Conferences are by appointment only**.

Wednesday, October 23rd - 4:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday, October 24th - 12:30-8:00 p.m. (No School) Friday, October 25th - 8:20-10:50 p.m. (No School)



# **Picture Day**

Harrison's Picture Day is scheduled for Thursday, October 10th. Picture order forms were sent home earlier this week. There will also be an option to order photos online as well. Please note that if your child is absent on picture day or there is an issue with regards to the photos you received, there will be a picture retake day. That day has not been scheduled as of yet, but we will inform you once it has been scheduled.

# **Harrison Spirit Wear**

There will be an opportunity to purchase new Harrison Spirit Wear. The sale will begin October 7th and run through October 18th. Teachers will be sending home links/flyers next week. The sale will be online and the items will arrive the week of November 4th. Please see the link provided and click on Harrison Spirit Wear at the top to see all the available options.

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#### **All About Math!!**

Throughout the course of the school year each grade level will welcome a guest to visit their math class. The opportunity provides some insight as to what goes on during a typical math class, allows the guest to observe the engagement with the curriculum, and learn about ways you can

help at home. Our third grade students enjoyed having a guest join them earlier this week and fourth grade will welcome their guests Tuesday, November 12th, 9:30 a.m.



### Social & Emotional Lessons With Mrs. Weiden

In October and November, our area of focus for social emotional learning is self-management. This is a very important theme, and is consistently the weakest skill set based on our Social Skills Improvement System (SSIS) screener. Lesson topics - differentiated by grade level - may include self-control, stress management, focus, problem-solving, goal setting and resilience.

### **Elementary Taskforce Committee**

To learn more about the Elementary Planning Task force please use the link provided. <a href="https://out.smore.com/e/huptd/WcvoYd?\_\_\$u\_\_</a>

# **Important Reminders**

- \* Car rider line is meant to move rapidly along the curb of our parking lot. Please do not park your vehicle along the curb during arrival or dismissal.
- \* If your child arrives to school after 9:10 a.m. Please be sure to walk your child into the school office.
- \* We have had some concerns expressed related to pets on school grounds especially during arrival and dismissal times. Please keep pets away from the crowd as students are arriving and being dismissed from school. There is a sign posted on the school property related to pets for your reference.
- \* Please be sure to check the Lakewood Recreation Department schedule as there are a number of before school or after school activities that are offered through the department and are held at Harrison.



#### **Harrison PTA**

Please consider joining the Harrison PTA and attending the upcoming meeting to learn more about how this organization supports the school and how it can enhance your child's school

experience. The next PTA meeting is Tuesday, October 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in the Harrison Cafeteria. The November meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30 p.m.

#### **PTA October Activities:**

- \* Popcorn Fundraiser 10/7-10/21
- \* Trunk or Treat October 18th 5:30 6:30 p.m.
- \* Angelo's Pizza Night
- \* Reverse Trick or Treat October 23rd PTA Board Members will deliver treats to the students in their classrooms (This is a surprise and donations of candy are welcomed. Drop donations off at school office by 10/16).



\* Optional Costume Day - October 31st - Students will be allowed to wear school appropriate costumes to school. Please be advised that the following will not be permitted:

Face Coverings (No masks or make up)

One piece costumes that require assistance when going to the restroom Accessories that symbolize weapons, gory visuals (fake blood)

Shoes that do not fall in line with being appropriate for school (must have a back or strap on the back of the shoes).



# **Cuyahoga County Fathers** Walk

Harrison participates in the Cuyahoga County Fathers Walk, 2024 and PTA provides pics and breakfast treats for the event!



# **All About Math!**

Third grade students and their guest engage in math class together.



#### Hike and Bike

Harrison students participate in the Hike & Bike Week. Thanks to the parents who helped out with this!



# Harrison PTA Ice Cream Social

Harrison PTA and Staff welcome students and families back to school with an Ice Cream Social!



# OhioGuidestone partners with Lakewood City Schools

Thriving Together: Building Routines. October 7th 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Emerson Elementary School.



# Harrison Garden Club at Work

Parent helpers arranged to get mulch from KOZ supply donated by Friends of Madison Park. The parents and garden club worked together to get the mulch moved. The front of the school looks amazing.

# **School Information**

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