



Holmes Elementary School

November 2016



Smile! Picture Retake day is November 8th. If you were absent on last month's picture day or didn't like your photos, plan on having yours taken.

Mark your calendars for November 18. We will be having Donuts with Dad in our cafeteria from 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.



Ho Ho Forms are now available in the office!

Class Dojo is a great way to connect to your child's teacher, monitor your child's behavior in class, and learn about daily events. Ask your child's teacher today how you can still sign up!



HOLMES HAPPENINGS

OCTOBER

- 28 Report Cards Go Home
- 31 Trick or Treat

NOVEMBER

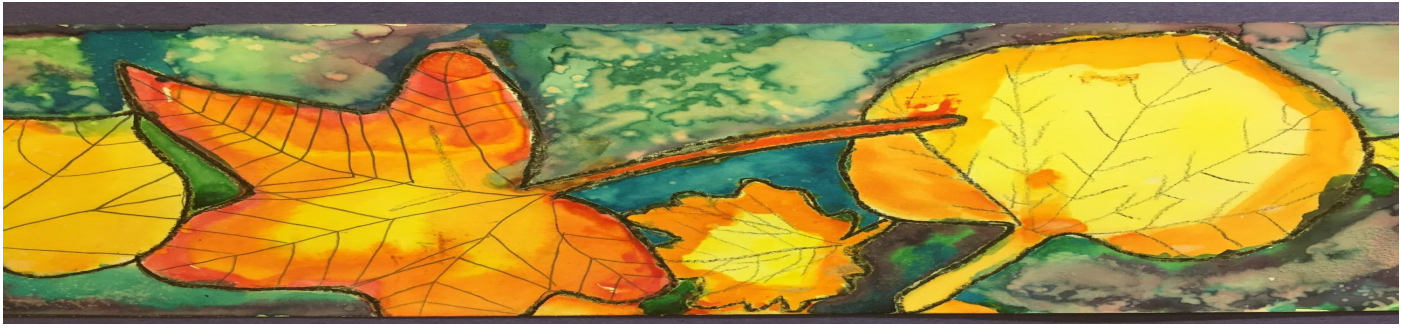
- 2 PTO Meeting 7 pm
- 4 2-hour Late Arrival; School starts At 11:15 am
- 8 Election Day
- 8 Picture Retake day
- 9 3rd Grade Reading AIR Assessment
- 18 Interims go home
- 18 Donuts with Dad
- 23 No School - Thanksgiving Break
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DECEMBER

- 2 Father-Daughter Dance 7-9 pm
- 5-9 Santa's Workshop
- 7 PTO Meeting 7 pm
- 16 End of Second Quarter
- 19-30 Winter Break

JANUARY

- 2 Winter Break concludes
- 3 No School - Teacher Work Day
- 4 Classes resume
- 4 PTO Meeting 7 pm
- 12 Parent/Teacher Conferences 4-7:30 pm
- 13 Report Cards go home
- 16 Martin Luther King Day - No School
- 18 First Semester Awards
- 20 Mother-Son Dance 7-9 pm
- 23-27 Unique Week
- 25 One Book, One School Night



AN UPDATE IN ART

Greetings from the art room! We have had a great start this year in art class! Kindergarten students are creating color patterns to surround their beautiful leaf rubbings. After painting pumpkins using light and dark values, the first graders will be making faces full of expression for their pumpkins. Second graders were shown paintings from the book called Demi's Dragons and Fantastic Creatures. Then the students painted their own dynamic Chinese dragons. Third graders discussed Matisse's work entitled *Beasts of the Sea* and used their imagination to create their own underwater scene using organic shapes. Fourth grade recently finished their colorful autumn leaf paintings in which they used several watercolor techniques and explored the use of warm and cool colors. Fifth grade students just finished studying the work of artist Keith Haring. They were inspired to draw their own figures in motion using Haring's creative style of abstraction. Currently, students are learning about African masks and will be making their own unique mask using exaggerated features and symmetrically balanced designs.

Recycled Christmas Ornaments

Clinton County Solid Waste Management is once again having their Recycled Christmas Ornament Contest. The purpose of this contest is to educate students about recycling. Ornaments must be made from recyclable or reusable materials. Entries must be returned to your homeroom teacher no later than November 11. Recycling Works!



THANK YOU PTO!!!!

Thank you to all of the Holmes Elementary School PTO families for working long hours on the homecoming float and providing dinner for the teachers during conferences!

NEXT PTO MEETING: NOVEMBER 2 at 7 PM



All students at Holmes Elementary School wrote letters to the Veterans participating in the recent Honor Flight trip. Mrs. West's afternoon class got a pleasant surprise when one of the Veterans, Mr. Roger Dedrick, showed up to talk to the students in person. After talking about his experiences in the U.S. Navy and the Honor Flight, students were given time to ask questions.

