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Principal's Corner

Dear OSSES Family Members,

The Annual Talent Show was this last week. We had acts including Magic Tricks, Dancing, Instrument Performances, and Singing. The K-2 Talent Show was held on Tuesday and the 3-5 Talent Show was held on Thursday here at OSSES Cafeteria. Congratulations to our talented students!

The 3rd Annual Winter Concert is next Thursday, December 15th, from 6 pm-8:30 pm. The event will be held at The Orlando Repertory Theater. Please see Page 9 for further details.

BoxTops standings have been updated!! Be sure turn in your BoxTops with your teacher's name on them so they will count! The class with the most BoxTops turned in will win a party! See how your class is doing on Page 10. All BoxTops are due by Thursday, December 15th to be counted for this semester!

The end of the second semester is approaching. Please be sure to check your OSSES Connect account and communicate with your teacher about your grades.

We hope you enjoy your weekend and look forward to seeing your student on Monday.

Sincerely,
Michael Singleton
Principal

STEM Fair!

Happy Friday! Just a quick update about the STEM Fair! By this time, students should have their proposal approved, and should begin their experiment. If you haven't received feedback, please contact your child's teacher.

The first experiment and data should be done by December 16th. Please reference the rubric to ensure you are meeting all the requirements of the project! As a reminder, the STEM fair packet can be found on our website, www.orlandoscience.org/elementary, under the Academics tab.

Please be advised this project is heavily graded. Failure to complete this project will result in a very low grade.

If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please email Rachel Knight at Rachel.Knight@orlandoscience.org.

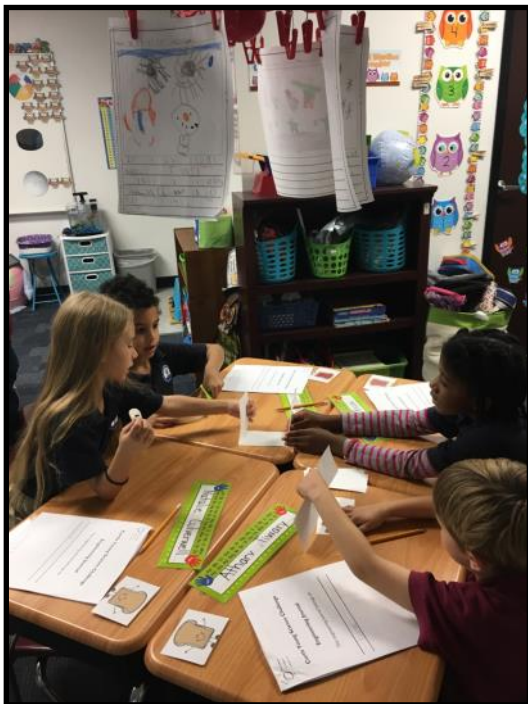
Kindergarten is still hard at work this holiday season! In Ms. Menoff and Ms. McGee's class, students are finishing up their unit on subtraction. In Ms. Haecherl and Ms. Yamnitz's class, students are working on their teen numbers. Ms. Menoff's class participated in a STEM challenge with Ms. Knight. Check out the pictures below!

All four classes have been studying holidays around

the world. We will be finishing our holidays around the world unit next week with our annual Snowed In Day! Kindergarten students may come dressed down in their pajamas while they enjoy snowman shaped pancakes, hot chocolate, and watch "The Polar Express." There will be plenty of other snow themed STEM activities, culminating with the snow ball fight! Each teacher

Kindergarten

posted a list of items needed for the event to their class website. We still need parent volunteers to make the snow balls (corn starch and shaving cream). Please contact your child's teacher if you're interested! (Must be ADDitions approved).



1st Grade

First grade is hard at work this week. In Ms. Swank's and Ms. Anderson's class they are studying words with ow and oa, ways to be a good citizen, designed and wrote about inventions that could help our communi-

ty and practiced 3 digit addition with and without regrouping. Mrs. Parker's class is working on words with the tr and gr blend, discussing family celebrations and traditions as well as working on real world word problems for subtraction. Ms. Strickland's

class is working on compound words, sequence of events, cause and effect, visual cues and re-telling familiar stories. In Science they are discussing how things move with a unit on force and motion.

This week 3rd Grade has been learning about Kindness and they had a chance to practice that through writing positive comments on the backs' of their classmates. Mrs. Silvaes' and Mrs. Cybulski's classes are reading the Twits by Roald Dahl and students are thor-

oughly enjoying it. In Mrs. Silvaes' class, students made Slime and are starting a mini research project on adaptations made by Arctic animals.

3rd Grade



2nd Grade

Mrs. Bonnell's class is taking the challenge... The Curtis Engineering Challenge, that is! This week, the challenge was to create a "roller coaster" structure. The goal was to have a marble roll down the coaster without it falling off/out. The students had to brainstorm a plan individually. After a few minutes, they collaborated their ideas with their group members to create one plan. The class then built their coasters out of papers and tape. The coasters could rely on another structure for support, such as a chair or being taped to the table. Two groups were successful, and the other two groups have new outlooks on how they could improve their strategies for next time. There will be 4 more challenges to complete before February 4, when teams of 5 will be chosen to compete at the Orlando Science Center Challenge, so save the date! Ms. Haines, Ms. Alfiky, and Mrs. Nelson's classes are also participating in these challenges.



In reading, the students are learning all about the morals and themes of ancient proverbs, fables, and folktales. They are enjoying the lessons the morals and themes teach and are having fun connecting the lessons to their own experiences. In math, we are continuing to practice subtracting two-digit numbers and learning different mental strategies to find their answers, such as using a number line or through regrouping. In science, we finished learning about the different states of matter and will be moving onto force/gravity and

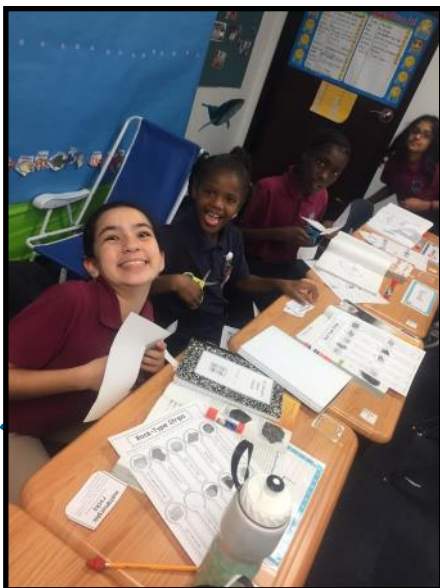
motion! Our first experiment introducing these topics will be on Friday. In social studies, the students completed a unit on services in our communities, producers and consumers, and trading and loans. As a summary of this unit, we are holding a class-wide food drive. Over 50 donations have been made!

Next week is going to be an exciting week in 2nd grade, as we will be learning about different holidays around the world. Stay tuned, and have a great weekend!

4th Grade

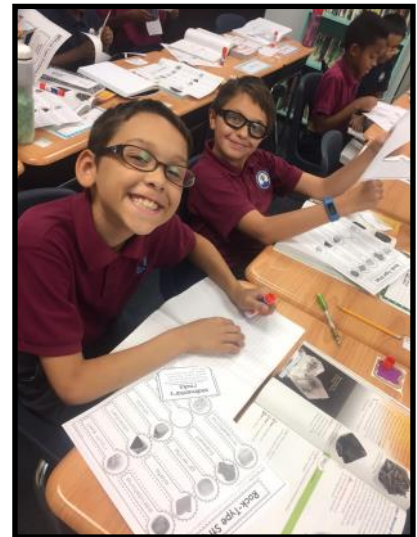
All 4th grade classes have wrapped up their units on opinion writing and began learning about expository writing. Our big FSA Writing Test is on February 28 so we are all working very hard to ensure we are ready. All classes are also in the midst of our science unit on Earth's Resources.

Our Winter STEM day is next week Thursday, December 15th. If any parents are available to come in and enjoy the fun activities with us please sign up through ADDitions to volunteer.



Our next field trip will be to Gatorland sometime in January. More information will be sent out soon about this event. The price will be approximately \$20 (could be a little more, a definite price has not been solidified yet), just in case you want to put the money to the side in preparation.

Mrs. Anderson's friends have been practicing with factoring numbers, and are learning how to use arrays with factoring. Mrs. Anderson's class has started learning about Earth's resources, and students have been using their IANs (interactive notebooks) to learn about properties of both rocks and minerals. We started learning about the theme of a story, and used Matilda as an example to discuss many different themes found in the novel.



Ms. Hurley's class FINALLY finished Out of My Mind. The students really enjoyed this read aloud and have had many different discussions about inclusion and what real friendship is like. Reading this story was a great learning experience for the class as a whole. Our next full class read aloud will be The Phantom Tollbooth. Please send your child in with a copy by January 4th. Students can borrow it from the public library, have it on their electronic device to read or if you want to purchase a copy for them that is fine as well but not a requirement.

Specials: Young Music Makers!

This week 2nd through 5th grade students are taking their music tests. They have been working hard all quarter getting ready for their music tests. 2nd and 3rd grade are having the most fun with their tests.

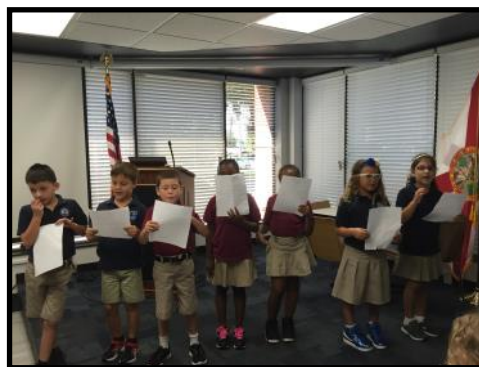
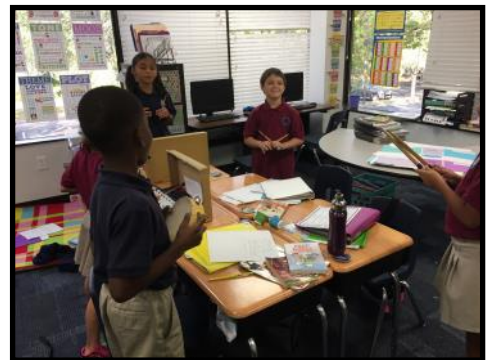
3rd grade is playing in groups and performing a song for their fellow classmates to evaluate them. They are all playing different instruments and then afterwards evaluating themselves as well.

2nd grade is having a test on their unpitched instrument families. Using their listening skills and getting into pairs to give each other their tests. Students have to listening from across the room to what instrument their partner is playing and say what family it belongs to.

1st grade has had homework for the first time this year in music class. They listened to a song in class and for homework have to draw a picture of how the song made them feel. We've had a lot of good drawings so far.

Kindergarten learned a dance all the way from Denmark last week called "Seven Jumps" and they loved it. This week they are getting to play with Unpitched instruments and applying them to number sequencing.

4th grade is applying their learned knowledge of "Songlifting" to their Quarter 2 test. A lot of them have been ending early because they studied so hard.



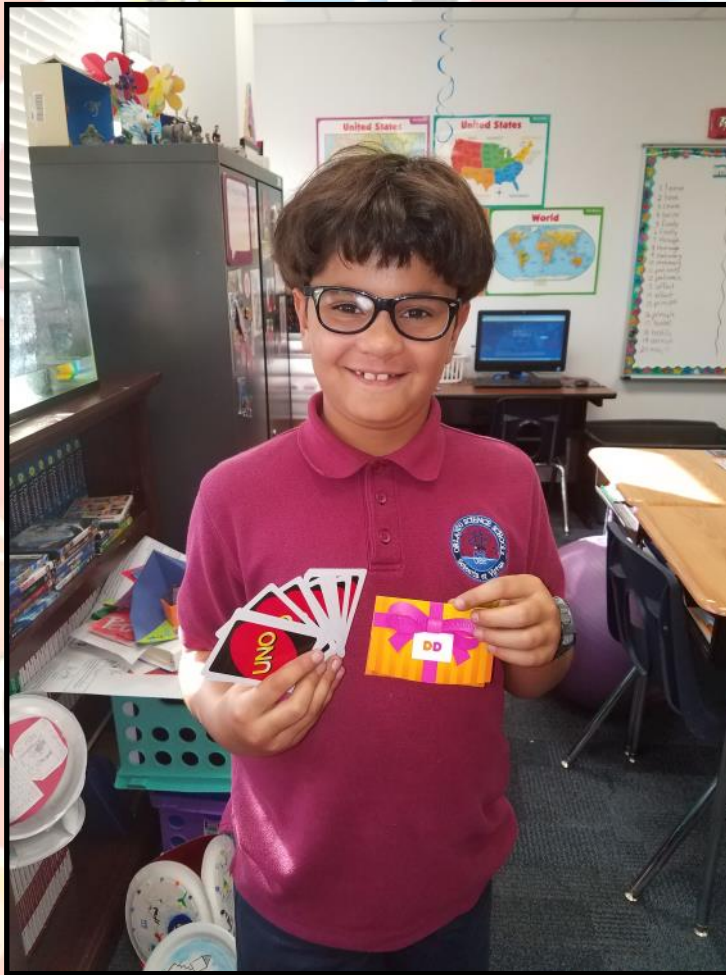
DECEMBER/JANUARY 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
11	12 <i>Pizza Money Due by 2PM</i>	13	14	15 <i>Winter Concert 6:00 - 8:00 PM</i>	16 <i>End of 2nd Quarter Q2 Report Cards</i>	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24



December 19th, 2016- January 3rd, 2017

25	26	27	28	29	30	31
1 (January)	2	3	4 <i>Back to School!</i>	5 <i>FSA Parent Night 6-7:30 PM</i>	6	7 <i>OSes Open House 10AM- 12:30PM</i>



Congratulations go out to Dyordan Pinto for winning our Quarter 2 Uno Club Competition! He made it through four rounds against many very determined players and came out on top! Good Job and enjoy your prize!



Orlando Science Elementary School Cordially invites
You to our

3rd ANNUAL WINTER CONCERT

December 15th
6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

@ The Orlando Repertory Theater
1001 E Princeton St, Orlando, FL 32803

Admission will be held at \$3 a person.

Light Refreshments will be served during intermission.
This concert will include performances from the Hip-Hop
Club, Choir Club, Band Club, and OSS Middle/High School
Band. Any further questions please email Ms. Parrella
[@Marisa.Parrella@orlandoscience.org](mailto:Marisa.Parrella@orlandoscience.org)



DUE:
Thursday,
December
15th!

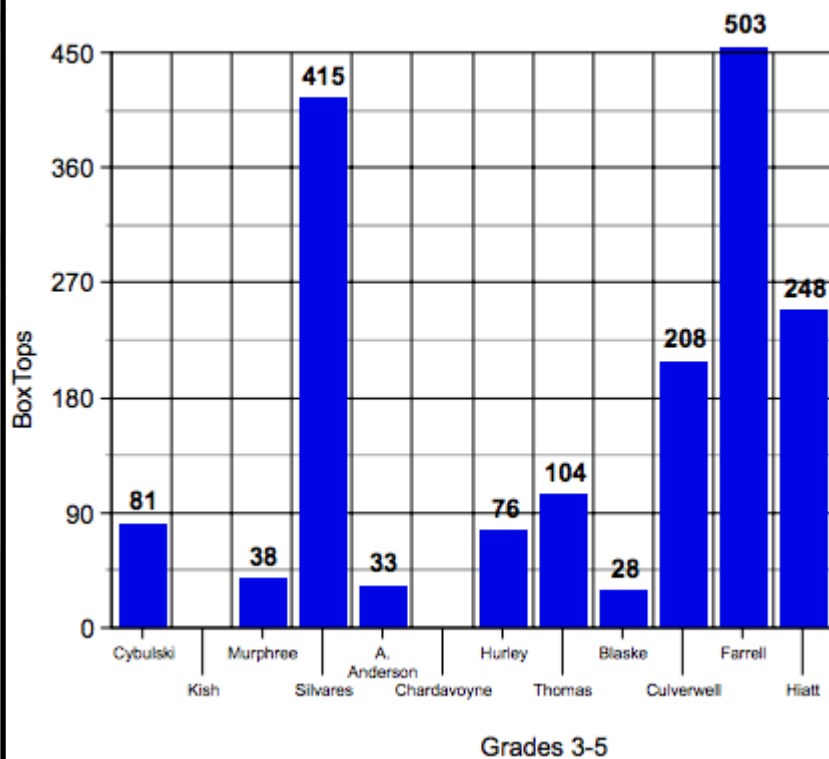
Turn in those Box Tops!
Earn Money for our School and...
a Party for your Class!

How does it work?

Cut out the Box Tops from products that you buy.
Turn in your Box Tops to your Teacher or put them in the Collection Box at the front desk. The Box Tops can be on a collection sheet or in an envelope or baggie.
Make sure to label your donation with your teacher's name so that your class gets credit for your donation.

The class with the most Box Tops at the end of each semester will earn a party courtesy of the OSES PV0!

3-5 BoxTops - Fall Semester 2016

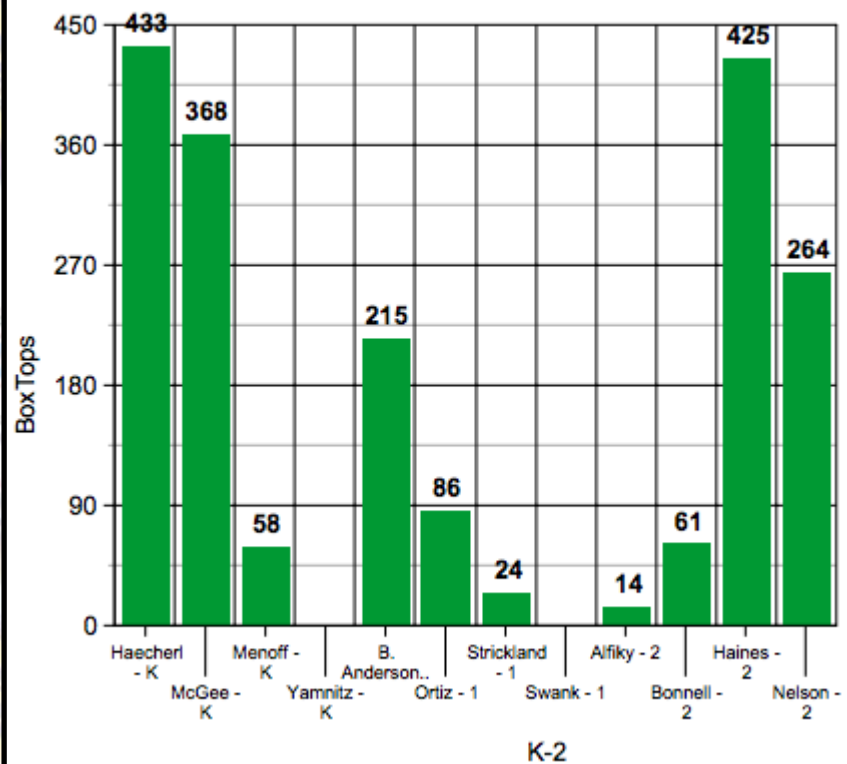


BoxTops Standings

3-5

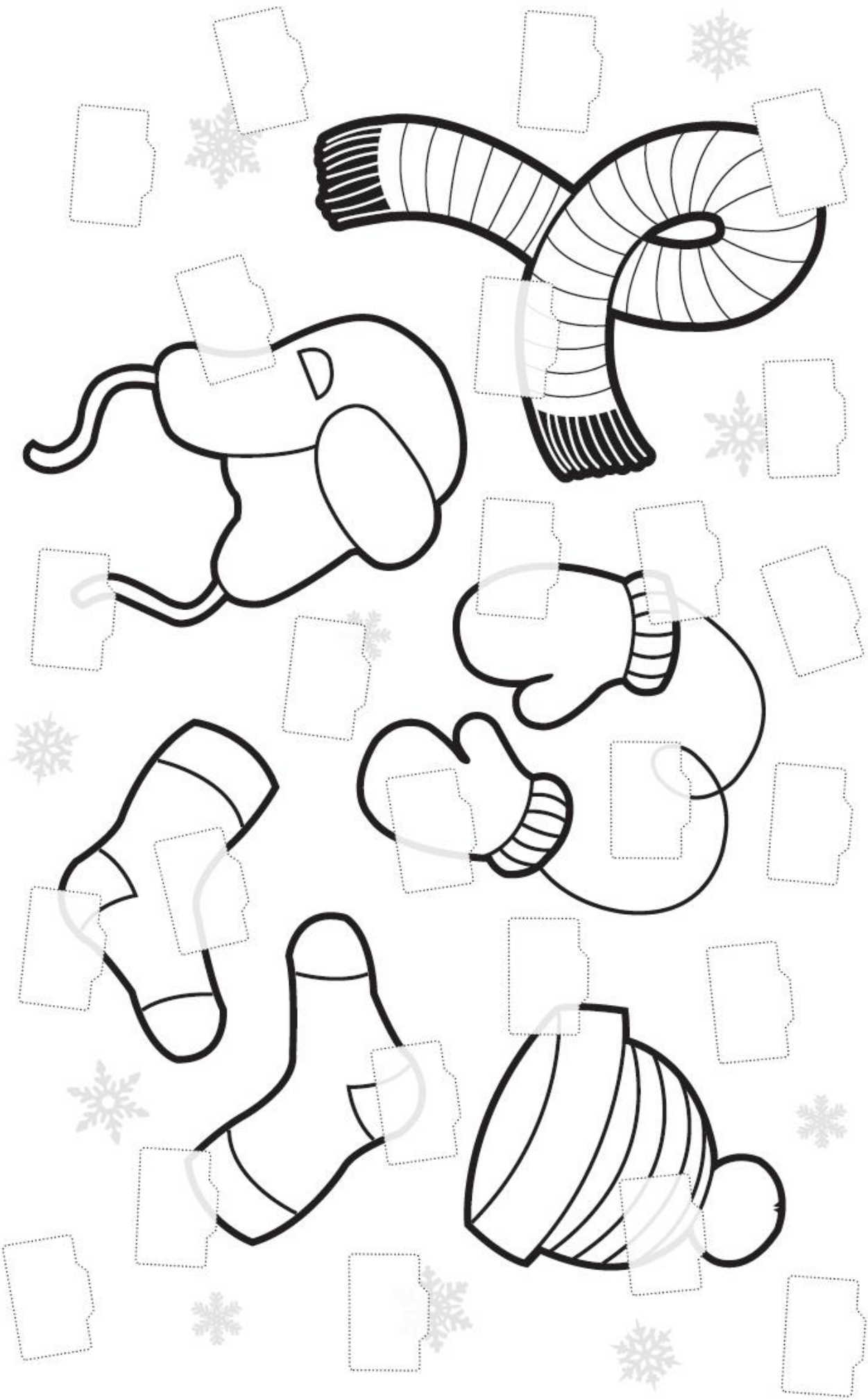
K-2

K-2 BoxTops - Fall Semester 2016





BUNDLE UP WITH BOX TOPS



Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10c for your child's school. Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to BTfE.com.



Florida State Assessments Parent Information Night

This parent night will focus on details and what to expect for the upcoming Florida Standards Assessment (FSA).

There will be a comprehensive presentation about the FSA Test and test taking strategies.

What: FSA Parent Night Presentation

When: Thursday, January 5th, 2017

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Where: OSES Cafeteria

Who: Parents of 3rd-5th Grade Students

Any 3rd-5th grade student, whose parent or guardian is in attendance, will receive two dress-down coupons on Monday, January 9th.

Please use the following line to register for the event:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/orlando-science-elementary-school-fsa-parent-night-tickets-30044283260>



II STEM ART CONTEST EXHIBIT

Orlando Science Elementary School



January 24th, 2017

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm



Come and enjoy drinks, cookies and ART!

Yearbook Pictures!

How to Submit pictures to be featured in the Yearbook!

Hello!

This year, submitting pictures to be considered for the yearbook is really easy.

1. Go to <http://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/Index.jsp> or search for HJ ESHARE in the app store (Apple and Android).
2. School Code: OSES2017 (case sensitive!)
3. Fill out the acknowledgement information.
4. Submit up to 10 pictures at a time. Once uploaded, you will be asked for the grade level of the student(s) in the picture. If it was a multi-grade event, such as Grandparents Night, just put K-2, 3-5, etc. If it is a single grade level, just put the number (1st grade = 1). It will also ask for the names of students and a brief description. If it is a class picture, you put "_____'s Class" or "Grade Level." All fields must have something.

That's it! The deadline to submit pictures will be sometime in March. But please do not wait until the last minute, as I'd like to work on the book throughout the year.

Pizza Day!

Pizza Day is back!

When: Every Tuesday

Options: 1 Slice: \$2

Combo #1: 1 Slice and 1 Drink - \$3

Combo #2: 2 Slices and 1 Drink - \$5

Payment: All Pizza money will be collected by your student's classroom teacher on the Monday before Pizza Day.

CASH ONLY will be accepted. Pizza Day money is separate from regular lunch money and cannot be transferred. Please send exact payment with your student in a labeled envelope for their teacher.

*****Pizza money turned in after Monday at 2:00 PM will not be accepted.*****

Pizzas are ordered from Papa John's. All slices of pizza are cheese only.



Lunch Menu: December

December MENU Lunch Fresh Fruit, Red/Orange Vegetable, Dark Green Vegetable, Legume

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Assorted Cereal Cups, bars, and Bowls offer with toast (2 Grain) 100% Orange Juice (½ cup fruit) Applesauce Cup (⅓ cup fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Assorted Yogurt with Cinnamon Granola Pack (2 grain,) 100% Apple Juice (½ cup fruit) Diced Pear Cups (⅓ Cup fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Bagel with Cream Cheese (2 Grain) 100% Orange Juice ½ cup fruit Banana (½ cup fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Assorted Cereal Cups, bars, and Bowls offer with toast (2 Grain) 100 % Apple Juice (½ cup fruit)- Oranges (½ cup fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>	Assorted Pop-tarts with Cheese Stick (1 pack for EL and MS). Assorted Pop-tarts(2pack HS) Assorted Juice (½ cup fruit) Whole Assorted Apples (½ cup fruit) <u>Choice of Milk</u>
5 Breaded Chicken Leg Basket (complete meal) CH E 0194L Cole Slaw (1/2c other) CH B 0050 Apple Juice (3/4 cup) CH F 0013 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	6 Nachos and Chips offer 1/4c Cilantro Lime Rice D 0018 Pico de Gallo (1/2 red/Orange) CH B 0091 Cuban Black Bean ½ legumes CH B 0031 Peaches (ss) (1/2 c fruit) CH F 0024 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	7 Sweet and Sour chicken with Lo Mein Stir Fried Broccoli (1/2 green) CH B 0023 Cauliflower (1/2 other) CH B 0015 Banana (½ c fruit) CH F 0022 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	8 Popcorn Chicken Bowl Offer 1 dinner roll if served together it's a complete meal CH E 0111L Corn (1/2 c starchy) CH B 0034 Apple Slices (1/2 fruit) CH F 0004 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	9 Chicken Florentine pasta With Garlic bread slice CH E 0227L Carrot Dippers with Ranch (1/2 c ranch) CH B 0005 Italian Blend (1/2 cup other) CH B 0001 Pineapple Tidbits (c) (1/2 Cup) CH F 0034 <u>Choice of Milk</u>
12 Breaded Chicken Leg Basket (complete meal) CH E 0194L Cole Slaw (1/2c other) CH B 0050 Orange Juice (3/4 cup) CH F0014 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	13 Soft Tacos with ½ cup Cilantro Rice CH E 0184L & CH D 0018 Cuban Black Beans (½ legumes) CH B 0031 Pico de Gallo (1/2 red/Orange) CH B 0091 Orange Wedges (½ c fruit) CH F 0020 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	14 Beef Teriyaki Bowl Broccoli (1/2 c green) CH B 0020 Apple Slices (1/2 fruit) CH F 0004 <u>Choice of Milk</u>	15 Turkey and Gravy Dinner Roll Holiday Cookie Sweet Potato Soufflé (1/2 red/Orange) Stir Fried Green Beans (1/2 c Other) Hot cinnamon Diced Apples. <u>Choice of Milk</u>	16 Baked Ziti with Meatballs and Garlic Bread Slice Cauliflower (1/2 other) CH B 0015 Italian Blend (1/2 cup other) CH B 0001 Pineapple Tidbits (c) (1/2 Cup) CH F 0034 <u>Choice of Milk</u>