Dear Herberich Families,

The Ohio Achievement Assessments are right around the corner for our 3-4 students. Below is a list of the testing dates as they have been changed by one week due to the calamity days:

5/7/14 – 3rd and 4th grade Reading OAA
5/9/14 - 3rd and 4th grade Math OAA

All 3rd and 4th grade students will be sent home with information to practice for the OAA prior to break. All students completing the full packet and turning it into me by April 8th will receive an extra recess and movie with the principal.

In addition, I have provided directions below to practice OAA tests.

Google ODE, click on the tab on the right of the page labeled TESTS. On the pull down menu, click “practice tests”.

Google portal.success-ode-state-oh-us.info/ Click on the square that shows 3-8. Click on practice tests. Near the bottom of the page, click “take a test without logging in. This website provides instant feedback. It can also be located on the ODE website, under Families – statewide testing portal.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions/comments. I can be reached at 330-664-4991 or bill.kerrigan@copley-fairlawn.org.

Sincerely,
Bill Kerrigan, Principal
Herberich Primary School
HELPFUL HINTS FOR FAMILIES:

Transportation – the preferred way for your child to travel to and from school is by bus. If you have not already received this information, please contact the transportation supervisor, Mrs. Patricia Hickey, at 330.664.4820. Please remember that students should be at the designated bus stop five minutes before the posted time. Behavior at the bus stop should be consistent with in school expectations.

Lunches – a hot lunch is served daily. Orders are placed by 9:30 a.m. If you know that your student will be late and needs a lunch, please call the office by 9:20. If we do not receive a call we will not order your child a lunch – he/she will need to pack one from home. You are able to prepay lunches for your child in increments of $2.75. Reduced lunch payments can also be made. We are unable to take prepayment for milk, which can be purchased @ 50 cents.

Absence Call Off Line – 330.664.4991 – Up with a sick child at 2 a.m.? **Make that call.** Homework requests should be made at the same time - work will be in the office for pick up after 2:30 p.m., or can be sent home with a sibling or neighbor. Students need to be called **off every day** they are out of school, with the exception of written pre-advised absences.

When should a child return to school after an illness?

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When is a student tardy? – **ALL** students need to be seated at their desks when the tardy bell rings at 9:05. Students being dropped off in the carpool line at 9:05 are already late – if the lobby door facing the parking lot is closed, your child is already late. You need to park in a designated parking space, and sign your child in at the office. He/she will be given a tardy slip to give the teacher. Tardies are reflected on report cards. Students may be dropped off starting at 8:45 a.m. 1:06 is tardy for afternoon kindergartners.

Carpool Dismissal - If you are carpooling your child at the end of the day, you need to display the carpool sign issued by the office. You may be asked to provide proof of identity in the office without the “official” sign. Official student hours are 9:05-3:45.
Greetings Parents and Young Artists!

This winter has been one for the books and I hope that you have continued to keep warm and have found creative ways to enjoy the indoors on extra days at home! Despite our many days away from school, our creative engines have been chugging along as we work hard to make forward progress between the stops and starts of days away.

We are looking towards Spring which brings the District Art Show into our sights. The annual district Art Show Opening will be held on Wednesday, April 16th from 6-8 pm at the Copley High School Multi-Purpose Room. Additional showing hours will be held during the day on Thursday, April 17th (hours to follow). While we are only able to showcase select student work due to constraints in space, every effort is made to show a wide array of student and grade level work. Should your student have a piece that will be shown in the show, you will receive a note home notifying you of the piece that will be shown and a formal invitation. Any and all who are interested in seeing the showcase of art are welcome. Please mark your calendars and we look forward to seeing you in support of the Visual Art Program in Copley-Fairlawn!

Kindergarteners continued to work with our color slices for our color wheel. So far we have learned about and completed our yellow, orange, blue, and red color slices. Each student is progressively building their own color wheel with their individually decorated colors. Slices are decorated and used to reinforce learning the colors and color theory relationships. We even learned a song about the primary colors and how they mix! After learning about the artist, Wassily Kandinsky, we focused on recreating one of his most famous paintings. Concentric circles, big and small, filled the space as students practiced repeating and following the shape.

The First grade has been getting into Spring, though it may not seem like it outside, as we study Georgia O’Keeffe. O’Keeffe is very well known for her large scale paintings of bold flower blooms, often only showing a single flower in so much detail that it fills the whole frame. Our bold blooms are working with oil pastels and as students learned about the parts of a flower and blending to create soft, beautiful color. Each student created their own unique flower and they are doing a fantastic job working on their drawing skills. Students also finished up their Warm and Cool Sun Expressions to practice our color groupings and facial expressions. It was fun to see the different feelings students conveyed through their facial expressions making each piece very unique.

As we headed into the winter season, Second grade created our cardinal collage and I am so impressed with their work! Second graders are really developing into a great group of artists and they have a lot of talent. As we move forward we will be working on self-portraits that will be transformed and adapted as each student desires, inspired by one of our featured Artists of the Month, Pablo Picasso. These colorful portraits will become awesome abstractions of our third graders and I am looking forward to seeing the final outcome.

Third grade is finishing up their still-lives after finishing their own watercolor painting of a vase of flowers. Each shows the still-life from a perspective of the students choosing, allowing them to show the scene up close or from a unique angle. I am very impressed with the students’ careful handling of the watercolor so far. To finish off our flowers and vase, the third grade artists used an extra fine point marker to draw detailing into their flowers and stylize them to their choosing. This is a very creative group! Keep up the good work Third grade!

Fourth Grade has continued to focus on texture and transformation as they change the recognizable outline of their hands into materials and objects of their choice. We have been talking about how to create texture, showing not only the way a surface looks, but using line and shape to show how something feels. The students have morphed their hands into many creative textures and objects. I continue to be amazed at the talent of all the students. Keep up the good work!

Our featured artists in recent months have been Edward Hopper and Leonardo daVinci. DaVinci is the famous Italian Renaissance painter and inventor who is most well-known for his famous portrait of the Mona Lisa. We practice the “Mona Lisa” pose in class so feel free to ask your young artist to “show you the Mona Lisa”! Hopper is a modern American painter known for his paintings of every day scenes from his life in the early-1900s. You may be familiar with his painting “Nighthawks”, a scene through a diner window in the city. Hopper loved to show windows in his paintings because it allowed him to tell the story of the inside looking out and/or the outside looking in.

Until next time, keep creating!

Artfully Yours,
Mrs. Ely
We are celebrating Dr. Seuss as our “Author of the Month”. Theodor Seuss Geisel children’s books have sold more than 200 million copies. His books, which he both illustrated and wrote, have been translated into twenty languages as well as Braille. Better known by his pen name, Dr. Seuss, he also wrote books under the pseudonym Theo LeSieg. He loved hats, and had hundreds of them! He said wearing funny hats gave him funny ideas. He also worked on his books 8 hours a day, and made many drafts.

Even after his death in 1991, he continues to be the best-selling author of children’s books in the world. His books are populated by Wockets, Whos, Grinches, bunches of Hunches, Bar-ba-loots, red fish, blue fish, an elephant and a fox in socks. His stories have a rhythmic pace, and are full of tongue-twisters, word play, and highly inventive vocabulary. Among his most famous books is The Cat in the Hat. With only 223 vocabulary words and much repetition, it is ideally suited for beginning readers. Green Eggs and Ham has a vocabulary of only fifty words to tell the story of a Seuss creature’s relentless crusade to introduce another character to a revolting dish.

As Dr. Seuss wrote in Oh, the Places You’ll Go!:

“You have brains in your head.  
You have feet in your shoes.  
You can steer yourself,  
Any direction you choose.”

Our students are enjoying Dr. Seuss books and celebrating his March 2nd birthday during our “Right to Read” week (March 3-7).

Order forms went home last week.  
CASH/MONEY ORDER/CHECK  
Yearbooks will be delivered towards the end of the school year.  
ORDER DEADLINE: MARCH 21, 2014  

PLEASE NOTE: WE DO NOT ORDER EXTRA YEAR BOOKS.  
Prefer online ordering? www.ripchostudio.com  
Image locator Number is: herprim2645

Library Chat—Mrs. Vanke
Lisa A. Round Relay For Life

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life is a life-changing event that gives everyone in communities across the globe a chance to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. Relay began in 1985 when Dr. Gordy Klatt, a colorectal surgeon in Tacoma, Washington, ran and walked around a track for 24 hours to raise money for the American Cancer Society. Since then, Relay has grown from a single man’s passion to fight cancer into the world’s largest movement to end the disease. Each year, more than 3.5 million people in 5,000 communities in the United States, along with additional communities in 20 other countries, gather to take part in this global phenomenon and raise much-needed funds and awareness to save lives from cancer. Thanks to Relay participants, the American Cancer Society continues to save lives.

Herberich Primary School has been relaying for quite a few years. This will be our 11th year relaying at Herberich. We have raised over $60,000.00. No, I did not make a typo in the zeroes. We have raised approximately $6,000.00 per year with either change, dollars, checks and in the past our daffodil sale. Our kids and parents are awesome here at Herberich!

Please start saving your change and dollars, as our kickoff will be here soon. On Friday, May 9, 2014 at 9:30 a.m., we will have our kickoff assembly in the Multipurpose Room.

On Friday, May 23, 2014, we will hold our Lisa A. Round Relay For Life from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. If you are a survivor or know someone who is, please contact any of us on the committee. Look for more details coming home with your son/daughter on Friday, May 9.

Thanks for your support! We want everyone to continue to ‘Celebrate Another Birthday!’

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Candidly Speaking

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE OLYMPIC MEDAL WINNERS!
Mrs. Quinlan was thrilled to announce Kenzie as Herberich’s January Student of the Month. Kenzie possesses many qualities, which make her an excellent choice for this honor.

Kenzie comes to school each day with a fantastic attitude! Each day she is happy, positive, polite, and helpful which helps to make our classroom a pleasant place to be. Kenzie is a wonderful example of kindness and respect.

Kenzie is a conscientious student, who puts forth her best effort at all times. She is extremely attentive during instruction and participates often. Kenzie asks questions for clarification if she does not understand something. She is also very organized and puts great care into all of her work. All of this is a testament to the fact that Kenzie has a deep desire to learn and apply what she learns in the classroom.

Kenzie’s favorite hobbies are dancing and cooking. She particularly enjoys baking. Brownies and cookies are a couple of her favorites. Kenzie’s favorite subject in school is math. She also enjoys Physical Education. Kenzie also loves to read. Currently, she is reading the Hunger Game Series. So far, she feels that the books are better than the movies.

It is quite evident why Kenzie is deserving of Student of the Month. All of Kenzie’s wonderful qualities certainly help to make her a very well rounded young lady. It is an absolute pleasure being Kenzie’s teacher.

Congratulations and fantastic work Kenzie!

Ohio Achievement Assessment (OAA) Practice Tests

Our third and fourth grade students will be taking their Ohio Achievement Assessments beginning the week of April 28th – May 5th. All students will be taking the reading and math portion only.

If you would like to work with your child at home on practice tests, please follow the directions below to access a very valuable resource:

1. Google: Success Website Ohio
2. Click the link: Ohio’s Statewide Testing Portal
3. Next, click the box labeled: Grades 3-8 OAA
4. Click "Practice For The Test"
5. Click "Students - Practice For The Test"
6. On the right side of the page, click "Take a Test Without Logging In"
7. At this point, you can select from a multiple practice tests
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**CHARACTER TRAIT OF THE MONTH**

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Happy March Herberich School Community!

I’ve always thought of March as a “change” month. Winter finally ends (hopefully). Song birds return. The sun stays a little longer each day. Our senses awaken to the renewed earth. Over the fall, we harvested knowledge about the various assessments our children complete. Now with Spring comes the RENEWEL of our commitment to take the information learned and apply it to what we do to prepare our children for success and support our educators in their efforts. Whether you choose to work locally in your home, our school, the District or the state, speak it and then do it! If you did not have a chance to attend one of the PTA meetings this fall or winter, be sure to attend the March and April meetings for a repeat of Fountas and Pinnell and the 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee. Bring your questions, too! Now that Spring is on the horizon, embrace our RENEWEL.

Did you know?

March 1st Share a Smile Day
March 8th International Women’s Day
March 15th Absolutely Incredible Kid Day
March 26th Make Up Your Own Holiday Day

Opportunities for you to get involved! Check out what is coming up!

Herberich PTA meeting: Thursday, March 6, 2014 @ 6:30pm. We will review our nominees for 2014-15 officers, welcome EARTHFARE to share healthy eating and shopping, and Q/A with our principal. All parents and supporting adults are welcome to attend! Please note, we will vote on our new officers during the April meeting.

Plan to attend! Internet Safety! On March 5, 2014 @ 7pm, join us for a parent/adult only discussion about keeping our children safe on the Internet at Copley High School. Very important information in the age of social media and cell phones!

Support our students as they share their Talent! Our wonderful PTA volunteers have done it again. On Friday, March 7th, 7pm at Copley High School, join us as we enjoy an evening of student talent.

After School programs are coming! If your 3rd or 4th grade student is interested in the science fair, but stuck on a topic, the Science Workshop is for them! PTA leaders and school staff put together a 3 day workshop to refresh students on the scientific method AND help think about a topic. Sign-up is going home next week! Another educational enhancement sponsored by PTA!

This year’s End of the Year Celebration theme is “Herberich Summer Cranium Games!” The committee meets before the regular PTA meeting at 5:30pm. Hope to see you there!

PTA Sponsored March Events: Magical Theater KidScript assembly March 4th, Cookie Reception for Spring Concert March 4th, Talent Show March 7th, Refreshments for Movie Night March 14th, 5 – week Spring After-school program, 3-day Science Workshop, Family Fun Literacy Night March 21st … to name a few. All are powered by PTA Volunteer Power and funded through your contributions and purchases! Thank you to everyone who supports through time, treasure and talents!

April 25th – 27th Ohio PTA Conference. Calling All Parents and Supporters! If you are interested in learning more about this year’s conference check out the link below. All are welcome to attend! Please contact Patricia Wicks @ 330-861-4973 for more information.

www.ohiopta.org/Portals/0/PDF/Preliminary%20%20program.pdf.

That’s all for now! Be sure to check out the other PTA Chair announcements on the following pages for more ways to get involved and to stay up-to-date on Herberich Happenings!

In PTA Service,

Mrs. Patricia Smoot Wicks

President
Herberich PTA is excited to announce that Spring After-School activities are just around the corner! Please take advantage of these awesome classes and opportunities to enhance education, build friendships outside of class, and maybe even get some energies out after this long winter!

Registration packets will be going home March 3rd, and need to be returned by March 12th. Classes will be starting the week of March 17th, and running through the week of April 21st. (minus Spring break, the week of the 31st)

Herberich PTA and the class instructors will once again be offering scholarships to children in need, so please let us know if you would like to be considered for a scholarship! Limit of 2 per class.

Please contact Sarah Huth with any questions or comments: Sarapafo@hotmail.com or 330.696.0167 Thank you!

Thank you to all the families who purchased a Pizza Hut card in February. The cards are $10 each. Our goal is to sell 300 cards. The funds raised will purchase new indoor recess supplies and outdoor equipment in preparation for the spring. In February, we sold 30 cards. The last day to purchase a Pizza Hut card is Wednesday, March 26, 2014.

To encourage participation, we are raffling off a black and white swirl design zippered Mixed Bag with a $25 gift card to Sweet Frog. For every 3 cards you sell your name will be entered in the drawing. The drawing will be held Thursday, March 27th, just in time for spring break!

The Pizza Hut cards are accepted at all Northeast Ohio Pizza Huts (except Cuyahoga County) and are good until March 31, 2015. Our local Pizza Hut stores include Market Street in Wallhaven, Copley Road at I-77, and Cleveland-Massillon Road in Norton.

JOIN US FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT March 11, 2014 3:00-9:00pm. Herberich's Annual Chuck E. Cheese Fun Night is March 11, 2014. Each Herberich student will receive a 25 free tickets sticker on the 11th. Plan to enjoy family time while supporting the PTA.

Thank you for all your support this year!
Stacie Ryan
2nd V.P.
We still need 4706 box tops to reach our goal of 30,000. I want to thank everyone for all the Box Tops we have received so far.

I have sent in 25294 box tops.
You are all TERRIFIC! Thank you.

If you have any questions please contact Cheryl Couch at 330-666-4224.
DISMISSAL CHANGE / ABSENCE REQUEST FORM

Teacher: ____________________
From: ____________________
Date: ____________________
Child’s Name: ____________________
Phone Number: ____________________

Students may not switch buses for play dates

________ Will be carpoled with __________________________ (name) on __________________________ (date)

Must be listed on emergency sheet or have green carpool sign. If not, walk in with identification and sign student out.

________ My child has a doctor/dentist appointment today and needs to be dismissed at __________________________
(time-no later than 3:15 – thereafter in the carpool line) OR will be late tomorrow __________________________

________ We will be out of town from __________________________ to __________________________

Please send a note to your child’s teacher regarding make-up work

________ Other __________________________

NOTE: Early dismissal - we do not call students out of class until parents are physically in the office so please allow sufficient time for them to pack up and get to the office. Should you arrive after 3:15 you will be asked to join the carpool line.