

# The School of Innovation Elementary School Spark Remark

05-10-2019

The School of Innovation is happy to announce the new SOI PTO Board for the 2019-2020 school year!

President	Stacey McGuigan
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Thank you all for volunteering to help SOI continue to be amazing!

## Upcoming Events

05/13 GREEN DAY  
SOI Captain's Baseball Night

05/14 NO COLOR DAY  
FIELD DAY in PM

05/15 WHITE DAY

05/16 BLUE DAY  
Elementary Watershed planting day for grades 3-5 in morning (see message below)

FIELD DAY makeup day

05/17 GREEN DAY  
5th grade field trip in AM  
End of year picnic at Daniel's Park!

05/20 WHITE DAY

05/21 BLUE DAY

05/22 GREEN DAY

05/23 WHITE DAY  
LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS!

On **Thursday, May 16th, from 8:45-11:15 am**, elementary grade levels will be doing a planting at the Euclid Creek Watershed (new name in the works!). Please make sure children are dressed appropriately (boots preferred with backup shoes if needed, clothes that can get dirty, and change of socks, if needed). We will be planting approx 1,500 small plants in our wetland areas!  
**FUN FUN FUN!!!!!!**

# END OF YEAR PICNIC

Come join us at the SOI end of year Picnic on Friday, May 17th from 6-8 pm! Cost is \$4 per person - 2 & under FREE. Pizza & beverages will be provided. We're asking for students' families to please bring:

**3rd Grade - Fruit**      **4th Grade - Veggies**

**5th & 6th Grade - Chips and bagged snacks**

**7th Grade - Desserts (nut-free)**

**8th Grade - Individually packaged drinks such as bottled water, juice boxes, sports drinks**

**DANIEL'S PARK - 38401 JOHNNYCAKE RIDGE RD.  
BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY AT [WESOIPTO.ORG](http://WESOIPTO.ORG)**

## PTO EVENTS

**The FUN RUN is  
coming.... August 2019**



# SOI Field Day

Hello Parents of SOI,

It is time to celebrate another successful year at the School of Innovation. The Field Day activities will be held this year on Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> with the rain out date of Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup>. This year the students voted on the theme of **Marvel vs DC Superheroes**. I want to give a very special thanks to our PTO for a generous donation to the event so we could welcome 'OMG' back this year with the inflatables. Currently I am in the process of designing the day and will be asking for your help again this year to make Field Day SUPER exciting for the kids. If you would like to be part of the festivities this year either by helping with a game or teacher helper with a team, please **contact me via email [kevin.gallagher@weschools.org](mailto:kevin.gallagher@weschools.org)**. Please make sure you have already been fingerprinted prior to the event. Thanks for all that you do as parents to make SOI a special place for the teachers and students. I look forward to seeing all at Field Day.

Kevin Gallagher, School of Innovation PE Coach



**Saturday**  
**May 11th**  
**8am - 12pm**

## **Willoughby Outdoor Market**

Downtown Willoughby in front of City Hall

SOI 6th Graders will be selling varieties of lemonades at two tables in the market. Our 3rd graders have designed and created laser etched Mason Jars that will also be sold. Profits and donations from the lemonade and Mason Jars sold will be given to the Wildlife Conservation Network in support of their work on saving Pangolins, an endangered specie in Asia.

Please stop in and support our service project!



# Edukit.com for supplies

The school supply lists for 2019-20 are now available. The Willoughby Eastlake City School District offers the EduKit program as a convenient option for busy families to order your student's school supplies.

EduKits are custom made to include the supplies selected and approved by our school and shipping is FREE! A list of items included in each kit can be accessed on our school's ordering page at [www.edukitinc.com](http://www.edukitinc.com). Your student's order will be in the classroom on the first day of school, August 15, 2019. **The deadline to order is June 12, 2019.**

## Fundraiser for Alopecia

Alyssa Jackett is afflicted with Alopecia – a disease that attacks the hair follicles. As a result, in the past few months, she has gone beautifully bald. In an effort to support her and to bring awareness to this disease, there will be a fundraiser. Peyton White, a SOI 7th grader, along with some of Alyssa's family, will be shaving their heads to support Alyssa. This will be at the Players Club at Lost Nation Sports Park, 38630 Jet Center Drive; Willoughby, Ohio, on Saturday, May 11, 2019 starting at 5:00 p.m. See the flyer attached to this email for more details. To donate online, go to: [support.naaf.org/bald4alyssa](http://support.naaf.org/bald4alyssa). Questions/information: April White (440) 749-9366 or [april@ohiopaving.com](mailto:april@ohiopaving.com)

# Drama in the Elementary

next week is our big week! Mandatory practice/dress rehearsal on Monday, May 13, 2:45-4:30. Please make sure your child rehearses his or her lines over the weekend. It may be fun to run lines with them! They have worked very hard and are very excited to perform for you!

Our **final week** schedule is as follows:

- Monday, May 13, 2:45-4:30
- Wednesday, May 15 @ SOI 7:30 pm performance 1  
Drama Club participants should arrive for performances at **6:30 and meet in D/E**
- Thursday, May 16 @ SOI 7:30 pm performance 2  
Drama Club participants should arrive for performances at **6:30 and meet in D/E**

PERFORMANCES in Innovation Hall from 7:30-8:30 p.m. First come first served. No cost but will happily accept donations at the door. For inquiries, please email [Libbie.Royko@weschools.org](mailto:Libbie.Royko@weschools.org)



# THIRD GRADE HAPPENINGS

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Scholastic Book Club Orders are due today, Friday, May 10th!  
Field Day is on Tuesday, May 14th. Your child was given information about his/her team at Encore this week.

## MATH with Mrs. Wadsworth

M1 and M2 will be working on multiplying fractions and converting fractions to decimals.

All groups are reviewing telling time to the nearest minute.

M3 is measuring using a ruler to the nearest inch, half inch, and quarter inch. Lots of us are still working on multiplication facts - it is still expected to be practiced every night.

## DISCOVERY with Mrs. Reed

We've been learning about different types of energy.

## LITERACY with Mrs. Roszczewski/Mrs. Kothera

We've been working on using dialogue in our writing. Students have been working hard to learn the rules for punctuating dialogue. We have been learning the elements of a fictional narrative and trying to add descriptive words/figurative language to our writing. Students finished and submitted writing their fictional narratives this week. All third graders are working on research for their author study. Students will be reading a book by their author, doing a book share, and sharing the information about their authors in the next week or two.

# Fourth Grade

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## Announcements

- The assignment notebook link can be found in Class Dojo weekly.
- We will have our last Workout Wednesday THIS Wednesday, May 15th
- Receive 20% off your first order of Perfectly Imperfect Produce using the code **INNOVATION** - this was part of the 4th grade PBL.
- Invention Convention materials due May 20th.
- Invention Convention is May 22 from 9:30 - 10:45

## MATH

Mrs. Goodrich's math class will have the final math test of the year on Thursday, May 16th. It will be over customary measurements from Chapter 11. After that, they will be working on a project with a partner - Surviving on an Island

Miss Leyde's and Mrs. McKito's classes finished up the measurement unit. Next week they will be creating a board game choosing a math topic of their choice from this year.

## ELA

All ELA classes are reading the novel, "Hoot." We are talking about ecosystems, endangered animals, and economics while reading this novel.

## Science/Social Studies

We will spend the next days of school reviewing social studies from the year.

In science students are doing experiments related to matter.

## PBL

Parents are invited to attend the 4th Grade Invention Convention on May 22nd from 9:30 - 10:45. Please come and see the wonderful inventions the students have created.



# The BAM FAM

## SOI 5th Grade 2018-2019

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### Important Announcements

- Link to student assignment and planning document:  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NYn7IVhj76LZyAv6Jtn\\_ud4G-GE32E6G2p40fxdX7y4/e/dit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NYn7IVhj76LZyAv6Jtn_ud4G-GE32E6G2p40fxdX7y4/e/dit?usp=sharing) Daily homework document is shared in Dojo as well.
- **Save the Dates:**
  - \* Field Day- Tues. May 14th
  - \* Wickliffe Lanes Field Trip May 17th.
  - \* 5th grade Party (River Grove Chestnut Shelter) on May 22nd. Parents are welcome to attend!
  - \* 5th Grade Clap Out of Elementary and Into Middle School: May 23rd at 2:30. Parents are welcome to come clap their child into middle school!

### Science/Social Studies/PBL

**Social Studies:** Students are finishing Level one (or higher) of their Native American Grid. Living Statues coming soon!

**Science /PBL:** We have finished our Newton's Laws of Motion unit as well as reviewed simple machines. Our next design challenge is to create a Rube Goldberg design that implements simple machines and Newton's Laws of Motion! Newton's Laws of Motion retake will be May 15th. The reassessment procedure must be complete to retake this.

### ELA

**Alvord:** The students are working in groups of three to create a magazine similar to the layout of "Time for Kids". The students are working on peer editing, text structure and text features for this.

**Bonick:** We are immersing ourselves in Native American culture by reading the book Crooked River by local author Shelley Pearsall.

**McCullough:** We are in the homestretch of our novel, *Pax*, as we approach the ending of this great book! The students continue to create chapter titles, analyze the character changes, and complete reflections on the book. They will have a comprehension test check at the end of the novel. In writing, they are continuing to work on creating a children's picture book to practice their narrative writing skills.

### Math

**Alvord:** The class is making a math game that will allow their peers to review concepts learned this school year. They are to be complete on May 17th. We look forward to playing them the last week of school!

**Accelerated Math (McCullough):** The students have been presenting their statistical research and shared some interesting results with the class. They did a great job on this project! Currently, they are working on enrichment activities and learning some challenging math games to face off with Mr. Bonick's math class.

**Accelerated Math (Bonick):** Stats projects are moving along! The students came up with some great statistical questions!

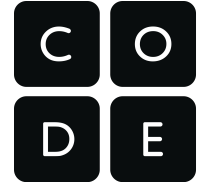
# SOI ENCORE PAGE



Mrs. Withrow

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Look for all work on ARTSONIA!!!!



**Grade 3:** The students are working on warm and cool colors. They traced their hand then colored their hand warm colors and the image around cool colors. Look for their work on Artsonia!

**Grade 4:** The students are working on their Bug's Life artwork which focuses on scale. Look for their work on Artsonia. **Grade**

**5:** The students are finishing up their Self-Portraits. Look for their work on Artsonia.

Thank you for another great year!



## P.E NEWS

The Middle School (7th-8th) is finishing up their state Fitness testing and have started a unit on SpeedBall.

6th Grade continues to have great lessons taught by the students for their part of the State Test. This week we had some new games that the students have created that we can start to incorporate into the elementary grades. Great work!

Elementary School: Focus this week will be on the last of our State testing for strength, flexibility, and Cardiovascular strength. Most of the grade levels were able to finish the Pacer Test and Mile run outside this week with the great weather and will continue into next week on flexibility.

\*\* Field Day is set for April 14th! See flyer in this newsletter for more information!

## MUSIC NEWS

The Spring Concert was a huge success. The students did a great job of performing at South HS on Thursday Night!

Logistics for a concert that big is difficult! Students are already working on a solution to the challenge we faced last night for our next concert in 19-20.

Real world problems that they are solving!