



Little Bucks Bulletin

Nurturing Hearts, Developing Minds, Inspiring
Dreams

*November 2022 Edition
Ottawa Elementary School*

MESSAGE FROM MRS. DENISON

Dear Little Bucks Families,

One quarter of the year is down, three to go! Thank you to all the families that joined us last week for parent-teacher conferences. We feel the home-school connection is very important for your child's success. If you ever have any questions, always feel free to reach out to your child's teacher via email, Class Tag, or phone. We are happy to help and serve our families.

As we are nearing colder weather and the need for more clothing items for outdoors, it is very helpful to label all of your child's items with their name or initials. It is also helpful to send a change of clothes in a large ziploc bag in case of emergencies at school. Sometimes there are bathroom emergencies, or spilled milk at lunch that a change of clothes are needed. Please send a change of clothes that can remain in your child's backpack or locker in case of such emergencies.

In a few weeks, it will be Thanksgiving break. A time to think about all the things we are blessed and thankful for in our lives. One of the things I am thankful for is being part of this great community and continuing to serve the staff, students, and families.

If you ever need assistance or have questions, do not hesitate to contact me via phone, Class Tag, or email.

Stacey Denison, Principal

Happy
Thanksgiving



OFFICE HOURS

Our school office is open 8:00am-4:30pm

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SCHOOL HOURS

REGULAR DAY OF SCHOOL

8:35am-3:43pm

ECSE/Preschool AM 8:35am-11:50pm

ECSE/Preschool PM 12:25pm-3:43pm

WACKY WEDNESDAYS

8:35am-3:10pm

HALF DAYS OF SCHOOL

8:35am-12:05pm

No Preschool or ECSE Classes on these days!

EVERY WEDNESDAY IS AN EARLY RELEASE AT 3:10PM FOR OTTAWA

**No School-Friday, November 11th- Staff Professional
Development Day**

IMPORTANT NOVEMBER DATES

- 2 Parent Teacher Conferences
 - 3 Parent Teacher Conferences
 - 8 Election Day
 - 9 Wacky Wednesday 3:10 Dismissal
 - 11 Veteran's Day
 - 11 **NO SCHOOL** Staff Professional Development Day
 - 15 **PTO Meeting** 6:30pm (See info below)
 - 16 Wacky Wednesday 3:10 Dismissal
 - 18 **ECSE Extra Friday-** Mrs. Hendrick's Class
 - 21 Board of Education Meeting 6:00pm
 - 22 **PICTURE RETAKE DAY**
 - 23 **No School**
 - 24 **Thanksgiving Break**
 - 25 **No School**
 - 30 Wacky Wednesday 3:10 Dismissal
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PICTURE RETAKE DAY WILL BE ON NOVEMBER 22ND

If your child was absent or missed Picture Day, retakes will be offered in November.



**WE ARE ON THE LOOK OUT FOR LITTLE
DUCKS OF THE WEEK!**

We model and teach what we expect to see from students with the Buck 3. Be Respectful, Be Responsible, and Be Safe. Next week will be our first week to choose students that have been working hard at following the Buck 3. Pictures will be displayed on our wall for the entire school to see on their way to lunch and names announced during our announcements. A signed certificate will come home at the end of the week and their names will be shared in Ottawa's Update over the weekend for families!



Little Bucks Wall, March 2021, Photo provided by Ottawa Elementary School

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS WEEK'S LITTLE BUCKS!

Congratulations on being excellent role models of the Buck 3!

Preschool: Ronan M., Colton F.

Kindergarten: Ryan V., Aria S., Hank B., Wyatt L., Luke C.

First Grade: Emmett M., Harper J., Gwen H., Allison P., Kamden R.

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT PTO MEETING

Event Information

October PTO Meeting

When?

Tue, Nov 15, 2022, 06:30 PM

Where?

Ottawa Elementary School, Ottawa Street, Buchanan, MI, USA

First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Attend (RSVP)

JOIN US FOR OUR
MONTHLY PTO
MEETING AT OTTAWA

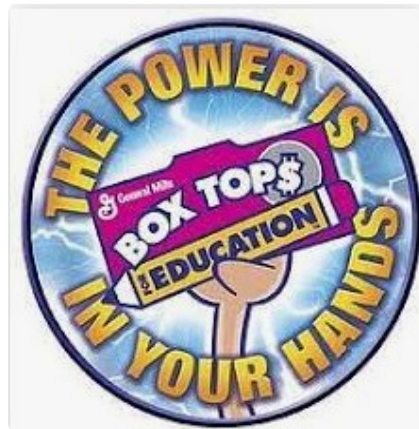
DO YOU WANT TO BUILD A TURKEY?



TUESDAY
November 15, 2022, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Kids will enjoy making a turkey
with leaves to take home while
parents attend the meeting!

**DOWNLOAD THE BOX TOP APP, SCAN RECEIPTS!
EASY WAY TO GIVE BACK TO OUR SCHOOL!**



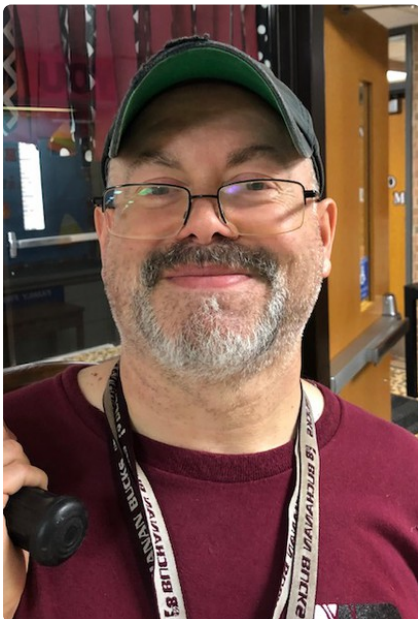
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STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Ottawa Custodial Team

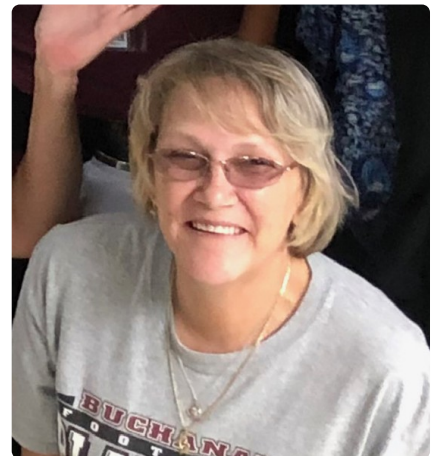
We have the best custodial team! Mr. Larry and Miss Judy keep our building looking its best! Mr. Larry works during the day and Miss Judy is our nighttime custodian. They make sure classrooms, hallways, and bathrooms are their cleanest and do so with a smile! Miss Lillie, a high school student, helps Miss Judy in the evenings for a few hours with taking trash from classrooms and vacuuming. We believe we have the absolute best! They take pride in their work and our school!



Mr. Larry



Miss Lillie



Miss Judy

DISMISSAL/TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

We want to make sure every single student gets out the door and home safely. Please remember the following:



- **You MUST contact our school office by 2:00 pm** if you need to make changes to your child's transportation routine.
- If you need to make changes involving a bus, these changes must be communicated to our office by 1:30 pm, before the buses leave for their middle/high school routes.
- Please do not message or email teachers as they are often in session and do not receive the messages until it is too late.
- If you need a numbered car tag for the pick up line, please come into our office.
- If you are picking your child up as a walker, they will be dismissed at the doors by our front office.
- Only car riders with parents in the pick up line will be dismissed at the north parking lot doors.

Transportation

269.695.8402

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Board of Education Meetings

- November 21st
- December 19th

Meetings will be called to order at 6:00pm unless advertised differently.

Central Office

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YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT!

We work hard every day to make our school the best it can be. Please tell us how we're doing!

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Stacey Denison

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