

Ox Bow News

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It is difficult to believe, but our school year is half over! The semester point is past, and we are on our way to spring. We are just completing our mid-year assessment period so we can see the growth of our students and use this data to make any adjustments needed to ensure our students are getting the best education possible.

Our student-led conferences are coming on Thursday, the 21st (more information to come), which will give your student an excellent opportunity to share their goals and progress. However, please do not think that you need to wait for this event to contact your child's teacher. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to us! We will be happy to help answer your questions.

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, February 5 at 6:30. Please join us and support our amazing PTO as they continue to prepare for our Ox Bowzaar. We really appreciate your help. We hope to see many of you there!

If your child is missing any articles of clothing, please check our lost and found area. There are a number of hooded sweatshirts, hats, gloves, and mittens. This is also a good opportunity to remind you to write your child's initials on their coats, hats, mittens, boots, and snow pants.

Winter weather is tricky, and when there are school cancellations/delays it is always stressful for not only school officials, but for you at home as well. We will do our best to make sure to get any information out to you in a timely manner. We utilize the local news stations and will make sure to send out REMIND messages when decisions are made. I would also like to encourage you to follow Ox Bow and Concord Community Schools on social media and/or the school and district website. Many times alerts go through these resources prior to getting a call. It is a great tool that will help keep you informed.

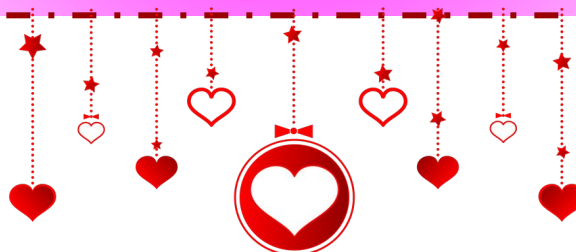
Mr. Javier Jimenez, Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 2/5 PTO Meeting 6:30
- 2/15 SCHOOL IN SESSION - make up day
- 2/18 NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day
- 2/21 LIM - Student Led Conferences

Cancellation make up days:

<u>missed day</u>	<u>make up day</u>
12/5/18	2/18/19
1/23/19	1/31/19
1/29/19	6/3/19
1/30/19	6/4/19
1/31/19	6/5/19



The FoletteBook Fair will return to Ox Bow on February 4th through February 8th, 2019! Make plans to join us for Family Night on Thursday, February 7th from 6:00 - 7:30 to shop together and enter the raffle for a free book!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

IREAD & ILEARN Testing dates

PLEASE try to avoid these dates when scheduling appointments for your 3rd & 4th grade student.

IREAD - (3rd) 3/18 - 3/29
ILEARN (3rd & 4th) 04/22 - 05/17

REMINDER!

Due to the snow day we had in December, school WILL be in session on Friday, February 15th.

There will be no school on Monday, February 18th for President's Day

SCHOOL CLOSINGS & DELAYS

If school must be closed or delayed, a recorded message from a school official will notify families by phone based on phone number on file at school. In the event of a 2 hour delay, school will begin at 10:45 (regardless of day). Buses will pick students up 2 hours later than their normal route time. Students may NOT be dropped off prior to 10:20. Breakfast will not be served when there is a 2 hour delay. ****Please make sure you have a current phone number on file in the office.**

PTO NEWS

Join us Tuesday, Feb. 5th at 6:30pm in the Ox Bow Library for our next meeting.

THE ZAAR IS COMING!!!

The Zaar is quickly approaching on Saturday, March 9th from 11 am - 2:30pm. This is a great day to spend some time with your family and friends while helping to raise money that benefits your students!

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!

A great way to do that will be to help out at the Ox BowZaar. For those new to Ox Bow, on Sat., March 9th we will transform our school to include games, prizes, raffles, food and fun! If you are able to give just one hour of time to help set up (on Friday), or run a game, sell food, or clean up (on Sat.) or talk to businesses about sponsorship, as well as a variety of other opportunities, please email our PTO at oxbowpto@gmail.com

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

We made it! January is behind us and February is here! Do you remember what those family goals were you made at the beginning of the year? If you are sticking to it, then keep it up! If you have lost track, don't be discouraged! Go back and review with your children what is important to your family and how you are going to accomplish the goals. We, as parents, have the final say in our families, but everyone in it can lead!