

November 25th – November 29th 2019

The Artemus Weekly

Every Scholar, Every Moment, Every Day: Attend, Believe, Believe, Believe



Staff,

I want to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving! I am thankful for our partnership on this journey towards educational excellence. I am thankful for our scholars, their families, and being afforded the opportunity to enhance their lives through knowledge and empowerment. I am thankful for all the people in both my professional and personal life who have inspired me, and continue to inspire me to be the best person I can be. I am thankful for all of those who have supported me through the highs and lows of life, and who have encouraged me to never give up. As we head into this holiday season let us acknowledge the commonalities that we share in our daily practice. Let's continue to work together by learning from each other, remaining united under our mission and vision, and appreciating the good in each other. Let's remember to be patient with our scholars and to regularly remind ourselves that we will never truly understand or know the hardships that they face behind closed doors. As servants to our community, our position as educators can be the ultimate blessing to those we serve. Thank you for all you do and have a safe and happy Thanksgiving holiday:)

This past week we had an uptick of aggressive behaviors. These displays of aggression often seem to feed off of each other and are toxic to the overall culture of our building. Take a moment this Monday and Tuesday to assess the culture of your classrooms. Is it negative or positive? Give student the opportunity to openly discuss some of the negative behaviors that have been taking place and give them a platform to think through and propose solutions. Now is the time to proactively address these issues with your scholars.

As a follow up to your class discussions we will be conducting 2 assemblies at the beginning of the week after break.

On the Monday, December 2nd, we will be meeting with students in grade 1-3 in the breakfast room for a short assembly. At the assembly we will discuss many of the negative behaviors that have been observed throughout the building. These include: the use of profane language, fighting, bullying, negative self-talk, and the general disrespect of teachers and classmates. We will also be celebrating our PATHS scholars and many of the positive things that are happening as well.

We will be meeting with students in grades 4-8 separately on December 3rd and follow a similar format. I have not yet decided on a time and location for this meeting and will announce it later in the week after talking to grade level teams.

Moving forward I would like to conduct more frequent and regular grade band assemblies. If you are interested in contributing to the agenda and have issues you would like addressed on a broader level, please forward me your thoughts or stop by my office to discuss.

-Mr. Myslenski

Kindergarten Music Class



Thankful for Our Scholars!

How are we using Blooms w/ Accountable Talk???



Upcoming Dates and Reminders:

Mon:	9:00am-3:40pm	Reg Bell Schedule
Tues:	9:00am-3:40pm	Reg Bell Schedule
Wed:	9:00am-3:40pm	No School
Thurs:	9:00am-3:40pm	Happy Thanksgiving!
Fri:	9:00am-3:40pm	No School

The first attendance incentive will take place Tuesday during lunch. All students that have missed less than 2 days will be given a ticket for a caramel apple treat during lunch.

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING



Referral Update:

	K	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	Total
Week 9/30	0	13	4	1	7	9	6	2	7	49
Week 10/7	0	7	8	1	3	2	7	2	3	33
Week 10/14	0	4	5	1	9	6	2	1	5	33
Week 10/21	0	7	2	2	8	2	2	2	12	37
Week 10/28	0	4	1	0	9	1	2	2	4	23
Week 11/4	0	7	3	1	6	1	3	3	3	27
Week 11/12	0	8	3	0	5	3	7	3	7	36
Week 11/19	0	6	2	1	5	1	5	5	10	35

Most frequent behaviors this past week:

11 Disruption, 11 Physical Aggression, 5 Fighting & 4 Abusive Language

We continue to see disruption and physical aggression as common infractions. Disruption of the learning environment cannot be tolerated but it is also important to ensure that students are engaged so that disruption is not occurring. We also want to ensure that our interactions with our students do not increase the disruption. Always remember to redirect privately when possible and try to use a calm voice. For a student that you believe is not responding to Tier I supports, consider starting a behavior contract with the student. If you have a student that you have concerns with, please reach out to Mrs. Beets, Mr. Myslenski, or Mrs. Pascella to discuss other interventions and supports.

PBIS Updates:

- Our next Cardinal Competition will be Tuesday November 26th. Grades 3 – 5 will go during period 7 and grades 6 – 8 will go during period 8.
- The Cardinal Store was moved until Tuesday morning. Grades 3 – 8 can shop in the morning in the Media Center. Grades K – 2 will be called down after 9:10.
- If you have any items you think would be great in the school store, please let Mrs. Beets know.

Curriculum and PD Updates

Upcoming testing events for the first semester are as follows:

- The window for Winter NWEA is now open and will remain open until Thursday, December 12th. All school testing for grades 4-8 will be the first week in December (more details to follow on Monday). We have started testing the lower grades in the Computer Lab so Monday's Math Intervention schedule may be affected.
- ANet A2 testing will be from December 16 – 18th (please note date change).
- Mark your calendars for our All School Math Night on Thursday, December 5th. We will be having a Moby Max awards ceremony. There will also be competitions between grade level homerooms for the best attendance. More details to follow, as well as a survey for availability.
- No PD this week due to the Thanksgiving Break. Enjoy your time off with your family.

- Liz Cree

OUR GOALS:

- Percent of students reaching NWEA growth targets >80%
- Percent of students exceeding the 50%percentile in NWEA achievement is > 40%
- Decrease the number of limited students > 10%
- Increase the number of students proficient or above >10%
- Increase our overall Performance Index by > 5 points
- Improve all metrics of Conditions for Learning by 3 points.
- Attendance > 93%



Pocketful of SUNSHINE Corner



“If you see someone without a smile,
Give them one of yours!”

Staff Birthdays-October

11/3 – Liz Cree

11/6 – Kristina Davis

11/15 – Cassandra Carter

11/29 – Leslie Glaser

NEWS

- **SAVE THE DATE:** Friday,
November 22nd Staff Social
Forest City Shuffleboard
- **SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday,
December 7th 7:00-10:00
Staff Holiday Party at Brew
Garden Strongsville
\$10 per person (+1 welcome)
money due 12/2/19
- **Congratulations** to Erin Thomas
on the birth of her baby boy,
Donovan Albert Thomas 8 lbs.
10oz., 19.5 inches

Sunshine Committee

- Heidi Cooper, chair
- Joanne Herbele
- Adria Vega
- Cassandra Carter
- Erin Thomas
- Lisa O'Donnell
- Allison Spence
- Carol Stofan
- Tamera Taylor

What have we been doing?

We put October mailbox treats (bat puddings) in everyone's mailbox. We ordered staff t-shirts, which will arrive soon! We sent Erin Thomas a card and gift card on the birth of her baby boy. We gave cards/gift cards to Mr. Mylsenski and Mrs. Beets, as well as a cake for Boss's Day! Please continue to keep Mrs. Lacey's family in your thoughts and prayers as they deal with the news of her father.

If you hear or know of any events or circumstances that Sunshine should be aware, please contact any of the committee members.

Important Links

ANET

<https://my.achievementnetwork.org/my/standards>

Writing

<http://www.vermontwritingcollaborative.org/WPDEV/>

ODE AIR Portal

<https://oh.portal.airast.org/users/teachers.shtml>

NWEA Resources

MathNWEA RiT Tool: Use this to look align students learning path and learn about the continuum

<http://rittoresource.org>

MAP Math: Use this for activities that are aligned to were students are on the continuum

<http://www.sowashco.org/ro//pages/studentlinks/map/>

NWEA MATH Activities: Use this as a resource for activities and lessons aligned by RiT

<https://sites.google.com/a/wfsd.k12.ny.us/nwea/math-map-activities>

NWEA Reading Activities: Use this as a resource for activities and lessons aligned by RiT

<https://sites.google.com/a/wfsd.k12.ny.us/nwea/map-reading-activities>

Ideas for Centers that can be implemented in your classroom:

http://www.busyteacherscafe.com/literacy_centers/

http://www.atozteacherstuff.com/Lesson_Plans/Learning_Centers/Literacy_Centers/

http://www.atozteacherstuff.com/Lesson_Plans/Learning_Centers/Math_Centers