



PURITAS PRIDE NEWSLETTER

November
2023

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Puritas Lion Families,

November is here, and I want to share some important news. Our Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for November 8th and 9th from 4pm to 8pm at our school. It's mandatory to attend one night to receive your child's report card. Your active participation in your child's education is greatly appreciated.

I'd like to share some valuable tips for parents to support their child's academic success:

1. **Establish a Routine:** Consistency in daily routines can help children stay organized and focused.
2. **Read Together:** Encourage daily reading at home. Discuss the books your child reads to promote comprehension.
3. **Stay Involved:** Attend school events, engage with teachers, and keep an open line of communication with your child's educators.
4. **Limit Screen Time:** Ensure a healthy balance between screen time and other activities, like outdoor play and family time.
5. **Encourage Questions:** Foster curiosity by encouraging your child to ask questions and explore their interests.
6. **Celebrate Effort:** Praise your child's hard work and effort rather than just the end result.

Together, we can create a supportive environment that enables your child to thrive academically.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Marshall & Mrs. Goss

MONTHLY CHARACTER TRAITS & PBIS CHALLENGE:

November's trait is citizenship. Each class will complete a campus community project.

Beginning with the 2nd quarter, students will need to achieve 80% of the Dojo points. Any student who is suspended will lose 25 points for each day of suspension and every detention earned will lose 5 points.

Prepared
Respectful
Include Others
Dedicated
Engaged

Staff Highlight Corner

CREATING FAMILY MEMORIES

Kortney Marzenski, 1-2nd Grade teacher

This is my third year as a classroom teacher and my first year at Puritas. Aside from teaching I coach girls high school soccer at North Olmsted. Some of my hobbies include playing soccer, traveling and spending time with family and friends. I love to travel to the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee and Myrtle Beach. I love working with the children every day here at Puritas Community.

Kenny Myatt, 7-8th Grade ELA

Hi my name is Mr. Myatt. I am a 7th/8th grade Reading/Writing Teacher here at Puritas. In my free time, I enjoy reading, riding roller coasters, going to theme parks, going snow tubing, tobogganing, disc golfing, and playing badminton.

November is a great time to create family memories. Consider activities like hiking, baking or cooking together, or visiting a local pumpkin patch or farmers' market. Enjoy quality time with your loved ones! Here's an easy recipe for homemade spaghetti with marinara sauce:

Ingredients:

- 8 oz (about 2 cups) of spaghetti
- 1 can (14 oz) of diced tomatoes
- 2 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup of olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon of dried oregano
- 1/2 teaspoon of dried basil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Grated Parmesan cheese for garnish (optional)

Instructions:

1. Cook the spaghetti according to package instructions until it's al dente. Drain and set aside.
2. In a large skillet, heat the olive oil over medium heat. Add the minced garlic and sauté for about 1 minute until it's fragrant.
3. Add the can of diced tomatoes to the skillet, along with the dried oregano and basil. Stir well.
4. Simmer the sauce over low heat for about 10-15 minutes, stirring occasionally. This will allow the flavors to meld together and the sauce to thicken slightly. Season with salt and pepper to taste.
5. Serve the cooked spaghetti on plates and top with the marinara sauce. You can also sprinkle grated Parmesan cheese on top for extra flavor.
6. Enjoy your homemade spaghetti with marinara sauce!

A WARM WELCOME TO THE NEW LIONS IN OUR PRIDE!

Kenny Myatt

MS ELA

Jacyln Dalziel

Elementary Intervention
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Tammy Maslocha

Building Substitute

UPCOMING EVENTS...

23-24 SCHOOL GOALS

November

- 11/3 October & 1st Quarter Awards & PBIS Rewards (1:00- KG/5th/6th) (1:30- 1st &4th) (2:00-2nd &7th) (2:30- 3rd & 8th) \$1 Puritas Spirit Wear Day**
- 11/8 & 9 Parent Teacher Conferences (4pm to 8pm)**
- 11/13 Veteran's Day assembly**
- 11/17 \$1 Puritas Spirit Wear Day**
- 11/19-26 NO School**

1. By the end of the 23-24 School Year, 90% of our students will attain at least a 90% attendance rating.
2. By May 2024 at least 65% of the students will meet or exceed the projected growth goal in reading as measured by the 2023-2024 i-Ready Diagnostic.
3. By May 2024 at least 65% of the students will meet or exceed the projected growth goal in math as measured by the 2023-2024 i-Ready Diagnostic.

October
Attendance Percentage:

75 %

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Students will pick a service project with the assistance of their classroom teacher. Service projects may include picking up trash around the building, cleaning the front yard, assisting with cleaning the lunch room, decorating a hallway with motivational posters, helping a teacher clean a classroom etc. Teachers and students will brainstorm and vote on the best / most appropriate idea. The goal of this lesson is to explain what being a good citizen means and why it is important to take care of our community. Our community includes our school 😊

