



Little Bucks Bulletin

March 2021

Ottawa Elementary School

109 Ottawa St
Buchanan, MI 49107

Ottawa Hours

Office hours:

Monday—Friday: 8:00am-4:30 pm
Saturday—Sunday: Closed

School hours:

Monday—Friday: 8:40-3:40 pm

Breakfast: Doors open @ 8:20 am

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Board of Education

All meetings begin at 6:00 pm

Upcoming Meeting:

March 15th

See district website for additional information

MESSAGE FROM MRS. DENISON

Dear Families,

Reading is an important life-long skill. With our young learners, it is just as important to listen and understand what is being read as it is to decode words.

Listening to stories exposes children to many different words. This expands vocabulary and increases their understanding of what is being read.

To build understanding, ask your child about what is happening in the story or stopping as you're reading and asking what will happen next. These are important skills that can take place even before a child can recognize letters and print.

Whether you are reading to your child or having them read to you, you're building important skills in your young reader.

Stacey Denison, Principal



Next PTO Virtual Meeting

April 13 @ 6:30

meet.google.com/dsm-nosx-sof

Phone Number

1-747-235-3859

PIN: 559 650 607#

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Schedule of Events

MARCH

- 11 1/2 day of School– No AM/PM Preschool Classes
K-1 dismissal at 12:05 pm
- 12 1/2 day of School– No AM/PM Preschool Classes
K-1 dismissal at 12:05 pm
- 15 Board of Education Meeting 6:00 pm
- 17 No Classes for Preschool– Monsma/Chase
- 18 No Preschool (Monsma/Chase)
- 18 Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00-7:40pm
- 19 Winterfest: Buck Spirit Day! Wear Buck gear!
- 19 1/2 Day of School K-1 dismissal at 12:05 pm
- 19 Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences 12:40-4:00pm

APRIL

- 2 No School for Students– Staff PD
- 5 Spring Break Begins
- 12 School Resumes



Little Bucks of the Week



Congratulations to our Little Bucks of the Week! Each student receives a certificate with their picture to take home!

Way to go Little Bucks!

Preschool: Emma H., Chevy P., Easton P., Harlee H., Eleanor C., and Adabelle P.

Kindergarten: Brysen R., Brandon L., Konrad Z., Lola T., Wiley L., Cassidy C., Adalynn F., Kolton G., Makari D., and Miriam P.

First Grade: Leland C., Paisley G., Brilee R., Connor T., Paizley K., Amber Z., Alivia W., Levi W., Barrett W., and Quintin M.



BE RESPECTFUL
BE RESPONSIBLE
BE SAFE

Remind your Little Buck to follow the Buck 3!



Visit <https://mgcf.org/kickstart-to-careers/> for more information regarding the Kickstart To Career Savings Account. We will continue to have deposit days at school each month. Please remember that large amounts of change should be taken directly to Honor Credit Union.

Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences

March 18-19

Spring conferences will be held virtually on March 18th in the evening from 4:00-7:40 and on March 19th in the afternoon from 12:40-4:00.

Conferences will be scheduled through the Class Tag app.

You will receive a letter stating whether your child's teacher is recommending a conference.

If you receive a letter stating that a spring conference is not necessary, you may still choose to schedule a conference.

There are many ways to communicate with your child's teacher via Class Tag, email, or phone.

There will be a half day of school on the 19th for K-1 students.

Mrs. Chase and Mrs. Monsma's students will not have class on March 17th and 18th.



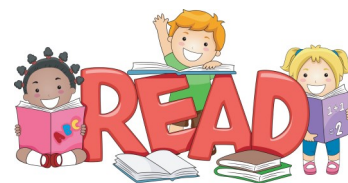
Follow us on Facebook at **Ottawa Elementary School** to see what we are learning and the fun that is happening daily!

March Is Reading Month 2021

Special Days

- 8th Dress like your favorite book character
- 15th Bring a flashlight to school and read with the lights off
- 17th St. Patrick's Day- Wear green and read a book about leprechauns
- 22nd Wear a t-shirt with words on it
- 29th Beach Day! Bring a beach towel to school to read on
- 31st Readers are Leaders! Dress for the job you would like to have one day!

Hands down we are the best readers! Keep filling out your hands and see if we can read 1,000 books!



This year our annual book fair will be held online. Our online book fair will be open for shopping between March 15th and March 28th.

Visit <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/ottawaelemsch1> for more information. You will be able to search the entire collection of over 6000 books or visit the new virtual fair and experience over 200 books in the cases. 25% of the total sales will go back to our library to purchase more books for our kids to read. In addition, you can set up an e-wallet account and invite grandparents and special friends to contribute funds for your child to shop. All purchases will be shipped directly to your home.

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FEEDBACK!

The Ottawa School Family works hard every day to make our school the best it can be. Please tell us how we're doing! To submit your feedback, please contact Stacey Denison by phone (269-695-8409) or email sdenison@buchananschools.com
We appreciate it!