Hello Emerson Families~

Fall has arrived! Don’t forget to set your clocks back one hour this Saturday night before you drift off to sleep as it is the time of year that we “Fall back one hour”!

There will be No School next Tuesday, November 5th due to Election Day. All of the elementary schools are precincts and the gym is used as a poling location which would interfere with our lunch system. I encourage you to exercise your constitutional right to vote on this day. Owosso Public Schools is seeking a Sinking Fund renewal. This is NOT A NEW TAX! This is simply a renewal that funds projects such as exterior windows, doors, work at Willman Field and concrete repairs just to name a few. If you have questions about this renewal, please contact either Supt. Tuttle or myself prior to Tuesday.

Parent-Teacher Conferences are next Wednesday! That day is a half-day of school with dismissal being at Noon on that day. Lunch will not be served on this day. Conferences will begin at 1:00 p.m. Each conference is only 10 minutes so we look forward to meeting with you to talk about your child’s current progress at that time. Bright pink sheets went home last week with your conference time. If you have not received your time, please contact your child’s teacher.

Father’s Day is Monday, November 8th. Our schools take pride in teaching our students about patriotism and encouraging respect and loyalty to our country. Students are learning more about our veterans and their fight for our nation’s freedom. Teachers are engaging their students in activities furthering their understanding in our country’s history, laws, culture and traditions. The Owosso Public Schools would like to express our gratitude to our local veterans and servicemen and women for their dedication to our country by inviting them to attend our celebrations. Emerson will hold an assembly at 10:15 a.m. to honor our veterans for their commitment and patriotism. If you have or know of someone who has served or is currently serving in our armed forces and would like to attend our celebrations as an honored guest, please RSVP by November 8, 2013 to any of the elementary buildings: Bryant 723-4355, Central 723-2790, Emerson 725-7361.

The 5th grade students have been practicing their singing skills for the upcoming 5th grade performance that will take place on Thursday, November 14 at 7:00 p.m. right here at Emerson. They will each have a t-shirt that is to be worn on the night of the performance. We look forward to seeing you there supporting our fine Music program!

I hope that you all have a wonderful Fall weekend! As always…GO STATE and GO TROJANS!!!

-Mr. Sedlar 😊
Participate in making things better by voicing your opinion and voting!

**Character Counts! pillar**

- **POP CAN TABS**
- **CAMPBELL’S LABELS**
- **COKE REWARDS**
- **BOX TOPS**

**SAVE...SAVE...SAVE...**

Good Kids
Emerson Elementary is making a concentrated effort to bring caring to the forefront of students’ and staff’s everyday life! For Halloween trick-or-treating, Drew Mofield, a 4th grade student, decided to ask for donations to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) instead of taking a treat. Drew is a Type 1 diabetic and decided to do his part in finding a cure. He was able to collect more than $50.00! Good Job Drew!

*If you know of a student who is living a caring lifestyle please let us know so we can feature them in our Good Kids article!*

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**Project Connect**

The First Church of The Nazarene is again this year sponsoring Project Connect. The event takes place at the church located at 1865 S.M-52 from 10:00-2:00 p.m. The event is free to assist all Shiawassee County residents. There will be agency assistance information, employment assistance, health screening, depression screening, hearing/vision screening, hygiene items, and haircuts! Lunch and door prizes will be provided. Transportation is available by calling 989-627-4472.

Mark Thursday, November 21, 2013 on your calendar!

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**Fall back this weekend!**

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**MSU vs. U of M**

The annual MSU and U of M sticker contest, sponsored by The Student Council, ended up with a bang or bust, depending on which one is your favorite team! By the end of the week U of M came out on top! But more importantly the Student Council raised over $180.00 to be used for community projects!

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**Yearbook Orders are due by Monday, Nov. 4th. Order forms are available in the office foyer.**

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**Participate in making things better by voicing your opinion and voting!**
What will the ballot say?

MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL
BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 3 mills ($3.00 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Owosso Public Schools, Shiawassee County, Michigan be renewed for a period of 5 years, 2014 to 2018, inclusive, to continue to provide for a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all other purposes authorized by law, the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2014 is approximately $1,574,889

Yes  
No

Why is this important to our students and community?

The sinking fund is the funding source for the school maintenance and improvement projects. Similar to how your home needs to be maintained, our community schools need the same attention. Sinking funds can be used for capital projects only which can include: roofing repairs, windows, doors, restrooms, parking lots, heating and cooling systems, etc.

General fund dollars are dedicated to funding the fundamentals of delivering an exceptional educational experience to our students on a daily basis. There is not enough money in the general fund to pay for capital improvement projects.

Will my taxes increase?

Taxes will not increase if the sinking fund is passed assuming there have been no changes in property value. Voters are being asked to consider a five year renewal of the November 2010 vote with the same 3.0 mills that have been assessed previously.

What time do the polls open?

Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

Where can I vote?
The location where you can vote depends on where you live. If you have questions, please all the County Clerk’s office at 989-743-2242.

BENNINGTON & SHIAWASSEE TOWNSHIPS
Donna Ash, Clerk
5849 S. M-52, Owosso

HAZELTON & NEW HAVEN TOWNSHIPS
Marilyn Owen, Clerk
2705 East Easton Road, Owosso

OWOSSO TOWNSHIP, Precinct 1
Bonnie Delaney, Clerk
2998 West M-21, Owosso

OWOSSO TOWNSHIP, Precinct 3
Bonnie Delaney, Clerk
1865 S. M-52, Owosso

CITY OF OWOSSO
Amy Kirkland, Clerk
310 West Main Street, Owosso

PARENT'S
1-1 Central School
600 W. Oliver St.
2-1 & 2-2 Emerson School
515 E. Oliver St.
2-3 Washington School
645 Alger St.
2-4 & 6-1 Bryant School
925 Hampton St.

VOTE November 5, 2013.
Week of ..... Fun!

Thanks Mr. McCuaig for the t-shirts!

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