

CANTERBURY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District

October 2016



Canterbury's Day of Champions

Students grades K-5 participated in an energy-filled Creative Arts day to conclude their unit on the Olympics! During this unit, students participated in an information-scavenger hunt around the school, researched facts about the history of the Olympics, formulated questions based on their interests, made paper Olympic rings and created a unifying class cheer.

On the Day of Champions, students put their physical skills to the test and worked together in Olympic-themed events such as noodle javelin, Frisbee discus, an obstacle course, water relays and sack races!

Online Portfolios

Students at Canterbury are taking traditional portfolios to the next level. In the past, the IB Primary Years students in grades K-5 saved pieces of school work for their IB folder. Papers would fall out, students wanted to take the papers home, families weren't seeing work in a timely fashion, and storing the folders in classrooms was always a challenge.

Well, welcome to the 2016-17 school year where all students are going digital with evidence to their learning journey! Teachers and students in Kindergarten to grade two are using an app called SeeSaw to collect, record, and share learning experiences while grade 3-5 students have already created their very own "website". The students have used Google Sites to get started and will be inserting evidence of learning soon.

To access these students sites visit www.sites.google.com/chuh.org/(with first and last name - no spaces, caps, or punctuation).



Tiger Council

Tiger Council is excited to announce the following tigers as the official officers of the school. Helena Duffy is our President, Juliet Duffy as Secretary, Charlotte Benham as Treasurer, and Nikolai Bell as our Spirit Ambassador!

We are looking forward to a bright and successful year and implementing the officer's ideas to make

Canterbury the best school it can be. Also the following students are to be acknowledged for having the bravery to run: Sha'Myah Broadnax, Tashiya Sanders, Emma Gann, Avery Bandy-Zalatoris, Hayden Perry, Ethan Petersal, and Helen Gann. All of these Tigers ran a great campaign!

Canterbury Honored By Ohio School Boards Association

Canterbury Elementary School and longtime CH-UH Board of Education member Ron Register were honored by the Northeast Region of the Ohio School Boards Association at its 2016 Fall Conference on Wednesday in Wadsworth.

Canterbury was recognized as an Outstanding Schools by the OSBA, which designates area schools that have received national recognition for their success in educating students at a high level.

This past spring, Canterbury was named a "High Progress School of Honor" by the Ohio Department of Education.



Hello Canterbury Families,

I am pleased to report that we are off to a smooth start to the school year and it is wonderful to see all of the awesome support the



school and students are receiving thus far. We had a record number in attendance for our first PTA meeting. Additionally, we saw an enormous increase in families participating in our Kindergarten Kickoff event in August. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

As many of you are aware, the Ohio Department of Education released the report cards last month. Across the state, many performing districts reported a record high number of "d's" and "f's" on their school report card. This is the third year in a row that the state assessments have changed and many students across the state, including Canterbury, took the test online for the first time. As the new testing stabilizes and remains consistent, Canterbury looks forward to making progress on the new state tests.

Even though the tests themselves and the methods by which the testing is administered has changed, Canterbury did see an increase in our school literacy grade. Other bright spots include increases from fourth grade math and social studies from the previous year. We also performed better than the average student in the State of Ohio in almost all areas. For example, 83 percent of our third grade students scored proficient on the math test, while only 66 percent scored proficient across the state. Also, 73 percent of our third grade students scored proficient on the reading portion of the tests, while only 54 percent scored proficient in the State of Ohio.

I look forward to another successful school year. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Dr. Erica Wigton Canterbury Elementary School Principal

Important Dates to Remember: Thursday, October 20 - Parent Teacher Conferences

Important Times: School Starts: 8:45 a.m. Breakfast Starts: 8:20 a.m. Dismissal: 3:15 p.m.

