The Elk Ridge School Oxford, PA

> Newsletter Date January 2020

December "Bee Ticket"

# Winners

Please join us in congratulating the following students as this month's "Bee Ticket" winners. Each monthly winner's name was drawn from the classroom's Honey Pot where the students place their "Bee Ticket" that they earned for demonstrating outstanding behavior and positive attitude.

Leah Fiorani	Conner Hankins
Sam Vang	Bella Ayres
Aaliyah Hall	Ava Patrick
Antonio Garcia	Nathan Donell
Melody Maxwell	Jonah Orton
Austin Molnar	Isabella Thompson
Rowan Chandler	Luis Mora
Alejandra Maxwell	Charlie Cass
Faith Ralph	Karol Mireles-Davalos
Adeline Hulse	Adley Maitre
Emily Walsh	Cody McMillan

# School Wide Positive **Behavior**

The Elk Ridge School Wide Positive Behavior (SWPB) program focuses on four themes - respect, responsibility, honesty, and effort. Using these themes, direct instruction on positive behavior will be given by the classroom teachers in all areas of the school including the bus.

As part of this program, students will be recognized for positive behavior on a daily basis with "Bee tickets" from anywhere in the school or on the bus. All "Bee ticket" recipients will be entered into a drawing on a monthly basis for school recognition and awards. Our mascot "Buzz the Bee" will make frequent visits to the school and will also be part of our monthly awards.

Each student will receive a positive incentive as well as have their picture posted within the school congratulations!

**Elk Ridge Library Services** If you're looking for digital resources to provide your student with educational enrichment or recreational opportunities, they're just a click away. The link below opens the Elk Ridge Library homepage. From this page, choose "Library Catalog". Click on the Destiny Library Catalog icon to open the library's catalog homepage where you will find a link to our e-book collection as well as to our school's subscription databases - World Book Online and PebbleGo - as well as to other free resources. There is a pamphlet describing these electronic resources that can be accessed from the second link below.

Elk Ridge Library link – https://www.oxfordasd.org/Domain/283 Online Resources Pamphlet link https://www.oxfordasd.org/Page/568

# Health Room Reminder

Keeping your child well and safe is our top priority at Elk Ridge. The nursing staff is happy to help in any way necessary to keep our students healthy. Please remember that our school policy does not allow any medications, including cough drops, inhalers or nasal sprays to be carried by students. It has been our experience that our students enjoy sharing with their friends and sharing medications could become a very serious safety issue. If your child's doctor prescribes a medication that is needed during school hours, please contact the school nurse to make arrangements to deliver the medication along with specific doctor's orders. We ask that any over the counter medications be administered at home, by parents. As always, thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students happy, healthy and safe!

## Elk Ridge School Newsletter Page 2

### **Reminders to Parents**

- Wickersham entrance when dropping off in the morning please stay in a single file line and have your child exit on the passenger side onto the walk way.
- Update any of your information that has changed – stop in or call the main office. <u>With winter</u> <u>coming this is very important for</u> <u>Alert messages about late</u> <u>openings, early dismissals and</u> <u>days off due to weather.</u>
- Oxford Educational Foundation is looking for volunteers and/or mentors. Please contact the school if you are interested.

### **Calendar Events**

School Closed for Winter Break December 21<sup>st</sup> to January 1<sup>st</sup>

#### School Reopens

Thursday January 2nd

#### End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Marking Period

Friday January 17th

#### School Closed for MLK Day

Monday January 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Principal's Coffee

Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup>

#### Conferences

Thursday February  $\mathbf{6}^{th}$  and Wednesday February  $\mathbf{12}^{th}$ 

# **Special Thanks**

Special thanks are due the following people:

To all of our hundreds of "Bee Ticket" recipients for their excellent behavior and positive attitudes. For the short month of December, Elk Ridge awarded almost 3300 "Bee Tickets" to our wonderful students.

To Mrs. and Mr. McLead for leading our 1<sup>st</sup> grade hour of coding. Also to the many parent volunteers and the high school students that provided the guidance for our students.

To Miss Kurtz for organizing, coordinating and running our Holiday Sing Along and all of the sing alongs throughout the year.

To the Gross Bus Company for volunteering to transport us to OAHS for the holiday play. The students really enjoy this activity.

To the hundreds of parent volunteers that have helped our students during the month of December.