

News from the Logan Elm Local School District

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Fun in First Grade

Pickaway County Water and Soil Conservatory visited first grade at Pickaway on October 1st to kick off their pumpkin unit. Students listened to a fun story about pumpkins and fall. They learned the life cycle of a pumpkin and completed a craft to go along with it. Then students were given a cup with soil and a pumpkin seed to take home to plant and watch their very own pumpkin grow. It was a great start to Fall for first grade!







A Colorful Lesson in Science

Washington 4th graders have been studying weathering and erosion using skittles and sugar cubes. Students shook the sugar cubes to demonstrate how rocks can be worn down overtime and how the sediment from those rocks can be eroded away easily by wind or water. Students also examined what happens when "rain" falls on "skittle rocks." The water dissolves the colorful shell (similar to weathering), then the water moves the colorful shell away to model erosion.









A "Hands On" History Lesson

During their study of Paleo-Indians, the fourth graders at Laurelville in Heidi Woods' Social Studies class had the opportunity to throw a spear using an atlatl, a spear throwing device. An atlatl is a tool that uses leverage to achieve greater velocity in dart or javelin-throwing and was used in hunting.

Pictured at left is Brayden Winnett taking his turn at trying the atlatl.

Second Grade Completes Project Based Learning Experience



The 2nd graders at Pickaway Elementary have been working on an integrated ELA and Social Studies Project Based Learning experience for the last several weeks. The students have interviewed a "Grand" person, constructed an opinion



paragraph, created a timeline and developed a biographical poster with multiple paragraphs, quotes and illustrations. Rangers from the Hopewell Culture National Historical Park visited the school to teach the students about archaeology and artifacts. The students enjoyed participating in an archaeological dig and learning about cultures of the past. Next, everyone enjoyed an exciting field trip to The Ted Lewis Museum and The Pickaway County Historical Society Museum. The students were able to observe and touch many artifacts which gave them ideas for their own project. Our culminating project will be held on October 14th when the students present their own museum exhibits on Grandparents day!

Our Community Partners: Early Intervention

While free and appropriate education with public schools can begin at age 3, where can parents of younger children turn to if they have questions about their child's development? In Ohio, they can contact Early Intervention, a part of the Help Me Grow Program.

What is Early Intervention?

- Early Intervention is part of the Help Me Grow system of supports.
- Early Intervention supports families with children birth to age three who have developmental delays or disabilities so that



developmental delays or disabilities so that they have the best possible start in life. The early years are a critical time, so parents, families, doctors, and others who are concerned about a child's development should refer a child to Early Intervention as early as possible.

How can Early Intervention help your child and family?

- Early Intervention can address all types of concerns, such as physical development like crawling or walking, speech delays, and social interaction like playing with other children.
- Early intervention professionals support your family to identify your child's strengths and needs and address concerns as early as possible.
- Research shows that Early Intervention services give a child the best chance to learn and grow.
- Early support can reduce the need for services later in life.
- Parents and families are the center of a child's development. That's why Early Intervention works closely with your family to build on your skills and confidence in supporting your child.
- Developmental experts will determine if your child is eligible for services and will support your family in addressing your child's specific developmental, physical, social, and emotional needs.
- Early Intervention focuses on building skills with your family in places where your child already spends time, like at home, childcare, and in the community.

For more information on Ohio Early Intervention or to make a referral to your county's Early Intervention program visit: www.ohioearlyintervention.org or call 1-800-755-GROW (4769). To speak to someone at your local Early Intervention program call: 740-248-8558

Construction Update

Construction crews have been busy with a host of taskswith the most visible one being the construction of walls! Be sure to visit <u>our Construction News page</u> for the latest updates and drone videos! Pictured below is the west wall of the Elementary portion of the new building. To watch a drone video of the site, produced by Mr. Barnes' students, please click here.



Thank You!

Thank you for reading the Logan Elm Schools e-Newsletter! We appreciate your interest in the students and activities of all Logan Elm schools!

Our e-newsletter is distributed twice a month during the school year.

Pictured: Students in Tracy Wilson's science classes at McDowell were challenged to build the longest bridge using toothpicks and glue to conclude a unit on Technology and Engineering.



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