

December 2, 2022 – Manidoo-giizisoons (Little Spirit Moon)

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### **Boozhoo Oshki Families!**

We are going into December, and we continue to be very busy here at OOCs. In addition to our reading, math, Ojibwe language, science, social studies and art lessons, we are preparing for our Annual Holiday Program. It will be held outdoors on our front steps, with the audience in the parking area, if the weather allows it. The backup plan is the Community Center gym if it is too cold and windy. More information will be sent home with your student. Make sure you monitor your student's folders for information about this and other important updates.

We continue to go outside for recess and other outdoor activities. PLEASE make sure your student brings their outdoor gear every day.

Attendance is important! Your child misses out on important learning opportunities when they are absent or tardy; unless they are ill, you have a family emergency or on a family trip please make sure your child is at school.

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### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**December 14 OOCs Annual Meeting- Supper, Arts & Crafts, School Board Voting & Annual Meeting of the Board: Supper will be at 5:30 and the meeting will be at 6:00**

**December 15 Holiday Program 6:00 – outside on the steps, weather permitting**

**December 19- January 2 Holiday Break**

**January 3 Classes Resume for students**

**Our Breakfast and Lunch Menu is posted on our website [www.oshkiogimaag.org](http://www.oshkiogimaag.org)**

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**Please Welcome-** Yanne Spry is our new Administrative Assistant. Please help us welcome Yanne!

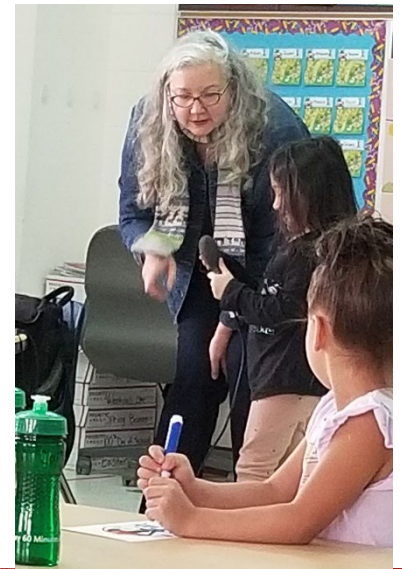
Job Openings: We have the following Openings at OOCs  
Full-Time Classroom/Special Ed Paraprofessional—To begin Immediately!  
Full-Time Home/School Liaison  
Full-Time Teacher starting 2023-2024 SY

**School Board Nominations are still being accepted. Please consider becoming a part of the OOCs Board and making a difference. All Board Members have Mandatory Training to help you learn how to navigate your role and the processes of being part of a Charter School Board Member. Contact Carmen Keyport if you would like to nominate yourself or someone else. Nominations will be accepted through December 7.**

**Voting will take place December 14 during the Annual Meeting. Hope to see you there!**

## News from Ms. Jeana's Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade Class

We have had some guests come into our room this month. Margaret Noodin and some of her colleagues came in to teach the students a new color Ojibwe game. The students responded well, and they enjoyed playing the game. Sometimes for our brain breaks, we will play the game. We also had Ms. Tess come in and teach us about the November moon (Gashkadino Giizis). They learned about the sunchoke and how it is used. They learned how to preserve foods and the nutrients found in sunchoke. At the end of the lesson, she gave everyone a sample and most of the students liked it. WTIP came to our classroom as well. She asked the K-1 students what they liked about winter and what they were thankful for. They sent us the link and we listened to it in class, and they liked hearing themselves and their classmates on the radio. We made bird feeders out of toilet paper rolls. They spread the peanut butter around the toilet paper roll and then they put seed around it. We put them outside our classroom window. Our goal is to observe the different kinds of birds that visit and record it in our nature journal. It has been an eventful month.



## News from Ms. Clearwater's Second and Third Grade:

Congratulations to Evan Deschampe for completing the Reading Challenge from October! Turning in our tooth brushing charts for the Farmers Market is a great way to earn our cash to visit the Market. Students love the nutritious snack Ms. Monica prepares and the great selection of books and other items that they can use their tooth brushing and flossing cash for! A great way to learn about money, nutrition and health all in one!

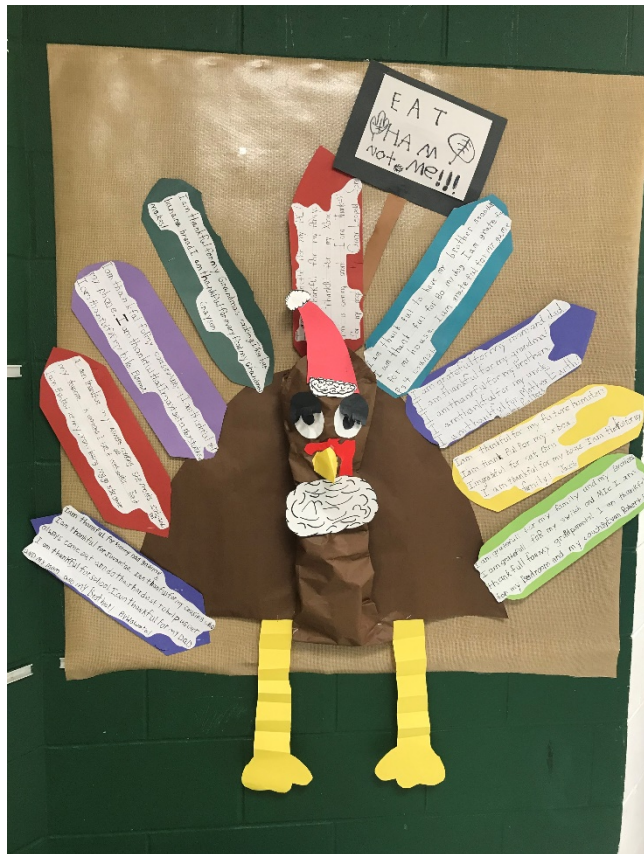
Our class was excited to have Margaret Noodin, a Native American author visit our classroom with her friends. Mike Zimmerman led us in an Ojibwe Language version of Simon Says that was super fun and a great way to learn the language at the same time!



We learned the history of Veterans Day and took a class trip to the Cemetery to visit the graves marked by the American Flags, of our Veterans who have passed on. It was a calm snowy day and we enjoyed talking about relatives and dates. Students used their math skills to figure out the historical information on the headstones. Our class made a turkey and his feathers were made out of all the things we are thankful for! Each day a person in our class would make a different disguise! We then watched the read along from "Turkey Trouble."

We are now on to our third chapter book by Beverly Cleary, "Run Away Ralph." The students are loving the stories about Ralph the mouse!

Our class is getting very excited for the Christmas Program on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. We are busy learning our songs and the parts to our play!



## Winter is Here!

Wear your Coat, Snow Pants, Boots, Hat, and Mittens to School Every Day

