

# Tiger Tales Newsletter

Longfellow Elementary School



**Pledge of Respect**  
**I am part of Team Longfellow.**  
**I will be responsible and respectful so that everyone at**  
**Longfellow can learn and feel safe.**

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## Follow the Tiger Way to have a great start to the day!!!

**Longfellow's start time has changed!!!**  
**Please arrive at 8:15 A.M.**



We have a new start time this year: **8:20/8:30 A.M.**

Students may be dropped off in the back of the building beginning at 8:15 A.M.

We want all of our students' days to get off to a great start and safety is our priority out on the playground, so please plan your students drop off time at 8:15 A.M.

***\*(Please refer to your child's schedule for virtual learning start times)\****

### November 2020

9- 2nd Quarter begins  
13- Parent-Teacher Conference Day  
25-29 - Thanksgiving Break

### December 2020

23 thru Jan 4- Winter Break

## Welcome new community members!

*Mrs. Vikki Moore*- I am Longfellow's new speech-language therapist. I am coming to you from the Elmbrook, Merton, and Milwaukee Public School Districts in Wisconsin. I have been a therapist for 16 years. I have been married for 18 years and have two children. Some of my favorite activities are running, biking, hiking, and baking.



### Fun Facts about Halloween!

- Did you know that candy corn was originally called chicken feed?
- According to Guinness World Records, the highest number of lit jack o' lanterns on display was 30,581 by the City of Keene, New Hampshire in 2013.
- The White House is reportedly haunted!

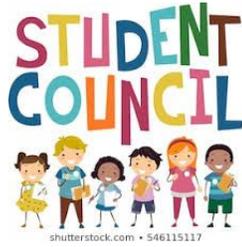


*Ms. Caitlin Joseph*- Hello! I am Longfellow's new head secretary. I am brand new to the Sheboygan area and am very excited to be joining the Longfellow family! I graduated from UW La Crosse with my bachelor's in Community Health Education and Public Health and I love to cook, hang out with my family, and read!

*Ms. Annika Hintze*- My name is Annika Hintze, and I am the new Second Grade teacher at Longfellow Elementary. I recently graduated from St. Norbert College, where I earned my Bachelor's degree in Education and minored in Early Childhood Education. In my free time, I enjoy spending time outside, shopping, and watching sports! I am looking forward to building my classroom community and growing as a first-year teacher!

*Ms. Sarah Redding*- Hello! I technically started late last year but then we were put into quarantine. I am the new instructional special education assistant here at Longfellow. I am glad that my family and I chose to make Sheboygan our forever home. I have two boys, ages 15 and 7. I like to shop, eat out, and I LOVE the Packers.





**Student Council News!**

The Longfellow Student Council is made up of third, fourth, and fifth-grade students. We meet twice a month to plan activities that promote school spirit and help organize community service projects. We started our lunch meetings at the beginning of October and had a virtual meeting while Longfellow students are participating in online learning. We planned some Unity Day activities to promote spreading kindness within our school community and to take a stand against bullying in our school. For November, we are planning on having a Penny War to raise money for the organization Pennies for Patients which raises money to help children in Wisconsin who are battling cancer. -Mrs. Verhagen

**Line Leaders**

Each year we have a group of fifth-graders who train to be part of the Line Leader program. Line leaders help support K-4th grade classrooms. Line leader responsibilities include teaching behavior cool tools and modeling the Tiger Way—showing respect, responsibility and safety throughout the school day. We are also brainstorming ideas and activities for line leaders to do with their class while we are following social distancing guidelines at school. Line leaders will attend monthly meetings to further build and develop their leadership skills. The line leaders will begin their training the week of November 9th. After they have completed two weeks of training, they will begin working with their assigned class. The staff is looking forward to working with a great group of fifth-grade leaders this year!- Mrs. Verhagen



**GUIDANCE**

"What Zone Are You In?" This is the question students have learned to answer. Blue Zone = Moving Slowly, Green Zone = Ready to Go, Yellow Zone = Slow Down, and Red Zone = Stop! Students learned the feelings that fall into each zone, and will be learning tools to help them self-regulate to be in the Green Zone!

The Zones of Regulation			
Blue Zone	Green Zone	Yellow Zone	Red Zone
Sad Tired Bored Depressed	Sick Hurt Shy Depressed	Frustrated Silly Embarrassed Upset	Worried Annoyed Confused Excited
Running Slow	Happy Focused Ready to Learn	Calm Good Ready to Learn	Angry Mad Terrified Mean Out of Control
	Good to Go	Caution	STOP!

**Lost and Found—Mark Your Child’s Belongings**

Each year we get a large number of hats, mittens, and jackets that end up in our **Lost and Found**. We are asking all parents/guardians to mark their child’s/children’s name(s) on such things as coats, jackets, hats, gloves, mittens, backpacks, lunch bags, etc. By doing this, we will be better able to help your child get his/her lost items back and save you the expense of having to replace them.

**Please have your child check the lost and found located in the Longfellow lobby near the office. Thank you!**

# Kindergarten

We have had a great start to our kindergarten year. The students are working on following the rules and expectations of the classroom and the school and they are doing awesome at it. Each week we work on a theme where we read stories, discuss story elements, write, and integrate the theme into other subjects. So far we have had a lot of fun studying sharing, friendships, apples, and transportation. We are working on learning our letters, sounds, and writing our letters correctly during our Wilson Foundations Phonics time. In math, we are working on numbers to five and sorting and classifying objects. This year your child's teacher for phonics is Mrs Brennan and for math it is Mrs. Boldt in both kindergarten classes. Mrs. Boldt and I are enjoying working with ALL the kindergarten children this year during this time.

# Grade 1

First grade has had a great first quarter! We studied personal narratives, information text, and fictional text. We are currently working on studying informational text with text features and writing an informational report. We have studied bats and will continue to study pumpkins in our upcoming science unit. In social studies, first graders will begin to learn about maps, globes, and begin working on learning their address. Please practice this with them at home:) First grade has also had the great opportunity to partner with the Kiwanis Club from the community. Each month our students have the opportunity to earn a free book from the Kiwanis Club when they turn in their monthly reading calendar. Please help your child meet those reading minutes by reading with your child at home. Keep reading!



The 2nd grade students have been learning how to use their Chromebooks. They have become familiar with new work sites on the Chromebook such as Pathblazer, Mystery Science and Happy Numbers. We have been able to practice reading and writing strategies using the MyOn reading app. Longfellow has a new phonics curriculum, Wilson Foundations, which we work on every morning. The Pathblazer app on our chromebook is a fun way to practice many of the skills that we learn in Wilson Foundations Phonics. While we miss art, gym and music this year, we are finding new ways to celebrate being back at school during this unique time. One of those ways is our 2nd Grade is Great time each day when our students can get together virtually. We have also enjoyed learning about the upcoming election and celebrating the Fall season with art activities and fall themed math story problems.



What an exciting start to the school year it has been! Third Graders are off to a great start this school year! Students have started participating in Guided

Reading instruction to help support their individual literacy needs. For math, students are participating in a new mathematics program called Bridges. Students began the year focusing on addition and subtraction strategies. We encourage students to practice their addition and subtraction facts (using flashcards or Xtramath) at home. We also encourage students to enjoy reading books at home too! Thank you for your at-home support thus far! Keep up the great work, Third Graders!



4th grade has been busy! In math, the students have been practicing their multiplication facts; finding rules and patterns; and identifying operations and their properties. In reading, students have been learning a variety of comprehension strategies as they read fiction and non-fiction texts. In social studies the students have been working on map skills, and in science we have been learning about our muscles, our brains, and our eyes! Ask your 4th grader about some of the neat experiments that we've done.



The 5th grade students have been working really hard on learning the states and their capitals, studying the election process and government, and integrating music into the Social Studies curriculum by listening to the 50 Nifty United States song. The students have finished the Star Reading and Math tests and are working on completing Fountas and Pinnell reading assessment before we go fully virtual. In math, the students have been working online in MobyMax and IXL math.

# Citizen OF THE MONTH

September 2020

Daisy Nagle- Mrs. Breannan

Tydyus Chang- Mrs. Boldt

Everly Xiong -Mrs. Flynn

Norah Franklin- Mrs. Huss

Mason Lee- Mrs. Hauck

Benjamin Marcus- Ms. Hintze

Lilliana Holland- Mrs. Pittner

Naelly Martinez -Mrs. Spaeth

Sam Pekrun- Mrs. Willems

Genesis Bautista-Mrs. Conrad

Lilly Allwardt- Mrs. Radant

Alaila Xiong- Mr. King

Sharrea Deglopper- Mr. Kuznacic

Alyssa Lindenbaum- Mrs. Duwell

Isac Perez Henandez - Mrs. Moore

Alexander Pano-Mrs. Hodek

Teagan Schmidt-Mrs. Schneider

Damien Ehren- Mrs. Huolihan

Suyapa (Abi) Bonilla- Mrs. Tanz

Yesly Bustillo- Mrs. Vue

Ladarian Smith- Mrs. Olig

Mason Chang- Mrs. Verhagen

Mason Vue- Boys and Girls Club

Kayson Dudley- Boys and Girls Club

Lili Nagle - Boys and Girls Club

Miley Vergara- Boys and Girls Club



# *Message from the Principal*

To the entire Longfellow Community,

We certainly have had a few fantastic and interesting months so far this year. It's been incredibly busy and has involved many changes for all, but the progress the students have made in just a few short months has been astounding! By now, everyone has settled into their new classrooms either with their hybrid teacher or their virtual teacher, learned the new routines, and are getting down to the business of learning a little different than we had in the past. We anticipate a wonderful learning experience for all our students and embrace the initiatives that our school community and District have embarked upon.

One of the best parts of the Sheboygan Area School District and Longfellow Elementary is that we simply never give up on any child. Our teachers are working daily to adjust to the individual needs of our students in the virtual format. During staff development days, our teachers are continuing these conversations and collaboration around student learning. Additionally, we also regularly talk about our students' social/emotional needs as we believe in educating the whole child, and we work hard to have an environment in which all students are successful. We pride ourselves each day in knowing what our students need and then delivering the appropriate instruction that best fits those needs. At Longfellow, we will continue to ensure that every student is given the opportunity to reach their potential. We believe in your children and cannot wait to see them develop into positive citizens within our community!

With the inclement weather soon approaching, and the possibility of returning to school, children need to be dressed appropriately for the colder weather. Coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots are essential for recess. Children will go outside for their recess as long as it is not raining and temperatures are not "frigid." Please be sure your child is prepared for the elements. Encourage your children to visit the "Lost & Found" table; there are SEVERAL items that belong to current Longfellow students as these items have been "found" this school year.

November is always a fun month at school and we'll be diving into all things Fall as we gear up for the busy holiday season. I would like to wish you and your family a very Happy Thanksgiving and a terrific holiday season. Over the next six weeks, I am sure many of you may be busy preparing for family and friends to visit. As this holiday season progresses, it is important to keep in mind how the interruptions of the holidays impact the students. We would ask that you take an extra moment to help your child focus and stay on task with school while enjoying this time of year while also staying safe and healthy.

We have much to be grateful for here at Longfellow Elementary School. We have a wonderful, caring staff from our custodians, our paraprofessionals, our office staff, to all of our teachers. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with all of them and I know your children also are very fortunate to have such a great staff working with them each and every day no matter which learning format we are in. Finally, we have incredible students who challenge themselves every day to learn and be engaged as well as challenge us to become better people. They are why we are here each day!

Paul De Pagter

GO TIGERS!!!