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From Your Principal

The **Ashley Drew Leadership Project** has inspired many amazing accomplishments from our young students at home, at school, in our community and the world!



At school, Payton K., Lynzie P., Hannah S. and Madison M., completed their leadership project called **Friendship Bracelets to Help Haiti**. It began with a question: How can we help someone else? Hearing about the long-term effects of the earthquake in Haiti, they knew they wanted to help children in Haiti who were suffering from cholera. Once they got their project approved they were on their way! With the support of Miss Brown, School Counselor, the girls further developed their project. They created their bracelet designs, advertised at an all school assembly, involved others in selling and making the bracelets and raised our awareness of the cholera epidemic in Haiti.

These young leaders inspired our staff and students to help people in the world who do not have fresh water or an abundance of doctors to help them when they are sick. They will contribute over \$500 to the North West Medical Team. We are so proud of these student leaders!

Other student leaders are currently working on their project supporting literacy and cancer research during the month of February.



Alayna W., Kira P., Hannah Z., Hannah B., and Jordan W., decided they wanted more students involved in our Reading Incentive Program and also chose to raise funds to help Doernbecher Children's Hospital fight cancer. These student leaders dedicated their talents to finding high quality paper for their bookmarks and used their artistic abilities in designing specialized "one of a kind" creations. They are currently selling customized bookmarks for \$.50. They are selling like hot cakes! We couldn't be more proud of their dedication to these great causes. It will make a difference in the life of a child.

In March, Jelly, Zoey R. and Amber J. will kick off a campaign for our local Humane Society. It promises to be an amazing project. Please take a look at the giant heart they created in the main hallway regarding loving and taking care of pets.



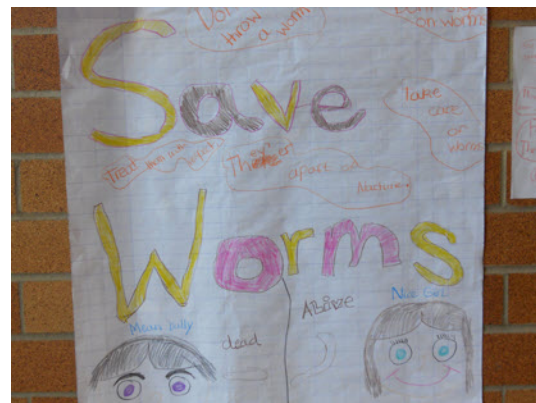
We hope you will get behind this great project by sending in a picture of your child with his or her pet and consider donating some food to our local Humane Society. Stay tune for more details of this wonderful service project. Great job Jelly, Zoey and Amber.



Another wonderful group of leaders in the 2nd grade are teaching our students to take better care of the worms on the playground.



They made posters to encourage us to be respectful of nature and to look out for the smallest of creatures. Love their posters....love their hearts!



Good advice for us all! **“Don’t step on the worms, they help our soil.” “Don’t squish them when you run on the playground, put them back in the grass or bark chips.”**

Individual service projects are happening too; we will highlight these in the coming months. If your child is involved in any service project through scouts, sports, in your family, church or in the community please email Miss Brown at Sally.Brown@orecity.k12.or.us so we can celebrate and share!

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mohandas Gandhi