

New Year's Resolution #1:  
Be More Awesome than last year.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!

# January Newsletter

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## Bring on the New Year!

With a new year gone, and another upon us, now is a great time to reflect upon how far we have come, and how far we still want to go. That is exactly what our students will be doing, as they resolve to set new goals for the year grounded in Orlo's Core Values: Respect, Responsibility and Cooperation!

### "You Are Responsible for You"

Our students have practiced setting both academic goals and character goals throughout 2015. This month they will go a step further by learning to hold themselves accountable to the goals they have set through perseverance and responsibility. As we all know, creating goals is the easy part. Achieving them takes hard work, commitment and accountability! But does that scare us? Not at all! "We are responsible. We have a job to do. We are in charge of doing the right thing!"

### How you can help...

New Year's resolutions are sometimes overly ambitious. Help your children set goals that are reasonable and attainable. They may want to become the greatest student in the history of the world! But, maybe that just means spending a little more time on Fry words each night...

- Ask your kids what they hope to achieve this year, and turn those goals into something practical they can work on every day. Help them set realistic expectations for themselves, both with their academic goals and with their character goals
- Keep track of their success. Ask them about their progress, and help them hold themselves accountable.
- Celebrate their achievements in a big way! Acknowledge the sacrifices they've made to get where they wanted to be



It was a great turnout at our Pajama Bingo Event! Thank you to all who made that night a success!



PTA delivers indoor recess bins to help our students pass the time this winter. It may be cold outside, but there is plenty of "fun to be done" at Orlo!



## What is the PTA?

The Orlo Ave PTA is an association of Parents and Teachers that work together to enhance the lives of our students, and promote a rich and thriving community. PTA raises funds for school activities and much needed supplies, but it is also so much more!

### PTA is a great way to...

- Stay connected with what's happening at school
- Get access to resources and tools that support your child's learning
- Build a network of teachers and parents that support your child academically and emotionally
- Make your voice heard

## Other ways you can support Orlo:

- **Box Tops for Education.** Send your box tops in to earn money for the school. For more information and coupons for participating products, visit [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)
- **Stop & Shop A+ Rewards.** Register your Stop & Shop card online at [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus). The Orlo code is o8o84. Orlo will earn reward for each dollar spent at Stop & Shop!
- **Shoparoo:** Download the app. Buy what you want. Snap a pic of your receipt and earn instant cash for Orlo...It's that easy!

**To learn more about PTA** membership, and how it contributes to your child's learning, contact us at [orloavenuepta@yahoo.com](mailto:orloavenuepta@yahoo.com), or visit us at the next PTA meeting on 1/13.

### Upcoming PTA Events

January PTA Meeting: 1/13, 6pm – 7pm in the School Library

Dylan's Day: 1/14, during school

Feinstein Week: 1/25 – 1/29, during school. Students will bring in "couch change" to deposit in their class buckets for Dylan.

February PTA Meeting: 2/10, 6pm – 7pm in the School Library

USA Skates Family Night: 2/11, 6pm-8:30pm

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## Buckets for Bravery

All month long, Orlo will join many in the East Providence Community to raise money for the family of Dylan Carreiro – a sophomore at EPHS who is battling cancer.

Orlo has planned several fundraising events to support this initiative. All proceeds will be donated directly to the Dylan's family. It takes a village!

More information on dates and events is available our Facebook page: Orlo Avenue PTA



