

Orem Elementary PTA Newsletter October 2011

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CALENDAR

OCTOBER(Early out every Monday) SPIRIT DAY EVERY FRIDAY!

Oct 4 PTA Meeting 9:30 Faculty Room-Everyone is Invited!!

Oct 5 PM Common Day (9:15-3:30)

Oct 5 Walk to School Day

Oct 12-13 Book Fair

Oct 13 P/T Conferences – Common Day (8:00-2:15)

Oct 17-19 Red Ribbon Week

Oct 20-21 Fall Break- No School

Oct 24 Family Skate Night

Oct 25 Reflections Due

Oct 31 PM Common Day (9:15-2:40)

Oct 31 Halloween Parade 2 PM

NOVEMBER (Early out every Monday)

SPIRIT DAY EVERY FRIDAY!

Nov 1 PTA Meeting 9:30 Faculty Room-

Everyone is Invited!!

Nov 1 Picture Make-up Day

Nov 5 Family Fun Run/Walk for Make a Wish

Nov 7 Family Pizza & Movie Night

Nov 14 Minimal Day-

Grades 1-6 Early Birds 8-12:30 Grades 1-6 Later Gators 9:15-1:45 AM Kindergarten 9:15-11:15 PM Kindergarten 11:45-1:45

Nov 17-18 Grandparents Lunch

Nov 18 1st Trimester Ends

Nov 23-25 Thanksgiving Break



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OES Newsletter & lunch menu can be found at:

oremelementarypta.blogspot.com

School Website:

http://orem.alpineschools.org/

NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE & EMAILS

Check out our new school website: http://orem.alpineschools.org/

Please remove the old address and bookmark this new one. Also, please make sure we have an updated *email address* for your family. This is another great way to stay informed. Miss Bolingbroke sends out monthly "OES News and Events" emails, you won't want to miss!

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

This year our PTA Carnival was a knock out!!! Sensational! I was in awe as I looked out, from my cotton candy station, over the "sea" of people. Yes, there were more people than I have ever seen at an OES Carnival. That was an incredible sight. Thank you for supporting our carnival and our PTA! I also appreciate the MANY volunteers! Yes, that's YOU! We know our volunteers made sacrifices to help, and we are grateful for you!

October is always an exciting time at school. We have our Book Fair and Parent/Teacher Conferences during the second week. Your partnership with your child's classroom teacher is appreciated and essential in achieving the best opportunities for your child's success. Be sure to get your conference scheduled (beginning Monday, Oct.3rd) using the Online Scheduler linked to our school website: http://orem.alpineschools.org.

We invite all to come participate in whatever manner you can. You can volunteer in the classroom, enjoy lunch with a child and volunteer during lunch recess, or simply be sure to attend any or all of the activities we have planned throughout the school year.

Looking forward to seeing everyone during Parent Conference Week!

Rachelle Bolingbroke Principal

PTA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WOW! Carnival was such a wonderful success! Thank you to everyone who participated in this fun family event. The food and treats were delish, the game booths, inflatables and pony rides were a blast, the cakes were creative and yummy, the prizes were so fun and the basket auction items were amazing! I was just in awe over all the people who pitched in to make this a wonderful night. Thank you!

So, what's next? There are plenty of fun things happening this month to look forward to! Walk to School Day, the start up of our After School Programs, Book Fair, Parent Teacher Conferences, Red Ribbon Week, Family Skate Night, Reflections, our famous Halloween Parade, Spirit Day every Friday... can we really pack all that learning and fun into just one month? Yep, we sure can!

If you would like to get involved with the PTA please feel welcome to attend our meeting on Tuesday, October 4 at 9:30 AM.

Thanks for all you do to make OES the very BEST!

-Karen Wynn, PTA President (801) 372- 8515 wynnjk@gmail.com

REFLECTIONS

The 2011-12 theme is "Diversity Means..." This is a great opportunity to show your creativity and express yourself. The categories are: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Musical Composition, Photography, Visual Arts, Theatre Production, and Three Dimensional Art. The due date for all entries is October 25. You can pick up more detailed information in the office.

T-SHIRTS, HOODIES & SPIRIT SLEEVES

Our second and final order of t-shirts and hoodies has been placed. Your student will be receiving those in the next couple of weeks in their classroom. Spirit Sleeves are still available and can be purchased in the office.

HOME READING

We always have room for more volunteers in Home Reading! If this is something you would like to help with, please contact Michele Herbert-Morris at mherbertmorris@gmail.com or give me a call at (801) 376-4145. Thanks! We're looking forward to another great year of reading.

BOX TOPS

Box Tops week is **Oct. 10th through 14th**. All classes need to have their box tops counted and in to the office by 3:30 pm on Friday Oct. 14th. We will have a cookie party for the 2 top classes who collect the most. Thanks to all the parents, neighbors and grandparents who support our school through collecting box tops!

Questions: Vicki Wiesenberg 801-426-7801

SHOP TO HELP OES

Easy ways that your shopping habits can benefit our school.

Smith's Earn and Learn program requires parents to enroll each year. Go to www.smithsfoodanddrug.com and follow the links to "Earn and Learn". Print the page for parents of Orem Elementary, (it helps if you use the find feature on the task bar in Adobe). Take that page to the nearest Smith's store and have the cashier scan it along with your Rewards card. Target also gives back 1% of purchases on their red card, credit or debit, to the school. Their representatives did come to back to school night, but if you missed them you can go to www.target.com to find out more.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Last Registration for After School Programs will be held **THURSDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 29 at 9:00 AM, 2:15 PM & 3:30 PM in the gym**. Come sign up for Tumbling, Lego League, Art/Crafts, Yoga/Relaxation, ASL, Zumba, Sports Team, Dance/Island Style, Orchestra/Strings, Karate, Running Group or Drama. Please be watching for the detailed flyer with more information.

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Mark your calendars for **October 5** because you won't want to miss this fun event! This year we are excited to welcome the UVU Cheerleaders, Willie the Wolverine, City Council Members and President Matt Holland to this wonderful event. A flyer will be issued detailing the events but plan on walking to school that morning (it is a common day 9:15 am start) and enjoying the festivities which will also include a treat and a green ribbon to remind us about pedestrian safety and a healthy lifestyle.

RIBBON WEEK

Red Ribbon Week is a BIG week at OES! This year we will be kicking things off on Monday, October 17 and we'll celebrate all the way through to Wednesday, October 19 before Fall Break. Here's just a glimpse of some of the fun happenings that week:

Monday(10/17)- Crazy Hair & Sock Day- the crazier the better! Tuesday(10/18)- Red (boys) vs. Purple (girls) wear your respective color & face-off in fun activities

Wednesday(10/19)- Superhero Day- come dressed as your favorite superhero!

We would love to have parents help at our lunchtime activities. If you are available please come to the school on any or all 3 days from 11-12:10.

FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK

This event raises money for Make-A-Wish and brings families together for fun and exercise. **Saturday, Nov. 5th** at Lakeridge Junior High. Registration and shirt pick-up begins at 8:00 am, race begins at 9:00 Early-bird registration: \$6.00 (includes T-shirt), deadline October 27th. Late / Event Day Registration: \$8.00 (NO T-shirt). Register online @ runthatrace.com or @ Lakeridge Jr. High at the cashier's office. Make checks payable to Lakeridge Jr. High. Additional contributions are appreciated. We are racing rain or shine. Pre-registered racers can pick up their t-shirts Friday, Nov. 4th @ Lakeridge from 2:45-3:00, race day by 8:45, or after race. We will have drawings for prizes and healthy treats. Meet the Make-A-Wish child and run with your principal - DON'T MISS IT!!!

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Orem Elementary School Community Council will be holding elections for parent committee members October 4, 5, and 6th. Please stop by the school and vote with the secured ballot box in the hallway by the front office. The SCC is a group of parents, teachers, and the principal whose focus is school improvement. The council allows parents an opportunity to be actively involved with the school in the education of their children. It also strives to build consistent and effective communication among parents, employees, and administrators. There are six parent positions on our council. We encourage you to come and show your support by voting anytime during school hours on the dates mentioned above. All of our meetings are open to the public. They are held in room 209, at 11:15 am on the second Tuesday of each month. If you have any questions or have any interest in serving on the council, please feel free to contact Angela Seegmiller (SCC Chair) 801-802-9513 or Rachelle 801-227-8727

CARNIVAL- OUR PTA FUNDRAISER

Carnival is the only fundraiser that our PTA carries out in the year. Through the money raised during carnival we are able to run the many and varied programs and activities at OES that benefit our children, OES staff and families in the community. Here's a sampling of some of the great programs and events that we fund and or assist in here at OES:

- *Red Ribbon Week
- *Home Reading
- *Beautification Day
- *Dad & Donuts
- *Moms & Muffins
- *Family Movie & Pizza Night
- *Grandparents Lunch
- *Kookies & Kleenex
- *Back to School Night
- *Book Fairs
- *Reflections
- *Classic Skate Night
- *Storytelling Festival
- *Walk to School Day
- *Teacher Appreciation Week
- *Family Fun Run
- *Parent Teacher Conference Dinner for our Faculty
- *Field Day
- *Vision Screening
- *Book Swap
- *Maturation Clinic
- *The OES Newsletter
- *Yearbook
- *After School Programs
- *T-Shirts
- *6th Grade Graduation
- *NOVA
- *Community Closet

and MORE...

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to continue to offer and assist in these programs!

CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS

We would like to give a **HUGE** shout out to the many people who volunteered at carnival. Thank you for putting in those volunteer hours and making our carnival run smoothly. We are grateful for your donated time!

CARNIVAL BASKET RECYCLING

Thanks to everyone who participated in the PTA Carnival auction. If you were one of our awesome basket winners, we'd like it back - the empty basket that is. Reusing the same baskets year after year helps us keep costs down and clears up space in your home. If you want to do some fall cleaning, we'll take your other baskets off of your hands too. You can bring your baskets to the collection box in the front hallway of the school. Thanks!

CARNIVAL DONORS THANK YOU!!

We would like to thank ALL OF YOU for your amazing contributions of time, money, gifts and donations that made our carnival the most successful carnival to date!

Thank you!

We would also like to mention the many businesses who contributed goods, certificates and services to our carnival.

The Major Donors listed gave \$100 or more.

Major Donors:

Texas Roadhouse Cal-Ranch
Disneyland Avon
Missionary Mall UVU
Utah Olympic Park BYU

Sweet Tooth Fairy Premier Spa
Smashburger Will's Pit Stop
Golden Spoon Curves
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Hale Center Theater NuSkin

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Richards & Duckworth Ken Chisholm Fly Rods

Media Fast 5 Buck Pizza

Donors:

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Greg Olsen Zurchers

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