OREM
ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

OES

DECEMBER 2013

Calendar DECEMBER

- 2 Early-Out Monday1:15 p.m. Early Birds2:30 p.m. Later Gators
- 3 PTA Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- 9 Early-Out Monday
- 16 Early-Out Monday
- 18 Home-Reading Prize Day
- 20 A.M. Common Day Christmas Sing-Along, 1:30 p.m.

Policy Corner

Arriving at School

Please refrain from dropping children off early. The school provides supervision 15 minutes prior to the start and end of the day. Early arrivals and late pickups pose safety risks to students.

Students should wait on the playground upon arrival and form a line in their designated area when the bell rings. In case of bitter cold or bad weather, students may stay in the front hallway until the first bell rings.



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PTA Mission Statement

The PTA at Orem Elementary School will help every child realize his/her full potential and will: Advocate - Support and speak on behalf of children and youth. Involve - Encourage positive involvement in all facets of a child's life. Develop - Assist in developing skills to raise and protect children and youth.



WATCH D.O.G.S.

We need more WATCH D.O.G.S.®! Dad, this means you! If you're not sure what Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) is, click here.

You can sign up for a whole day or half day, it's up to you. No need to sign up; you can just come to the OES office and get your Watch D.O.G.S. loaner T-shirt for the day.

Our goal at OES is to have you spend at least one day this year at the school to be a positive male role model and to provide an extra set of eyes and ears.

Fathers and father figures: If you volunteered last year as a Watch D.O.G., feel free to sign up again. You know you had a great time! Besides, you gave your child some bragging rights, and they argued with their friends about which WATCH D.O.G.S. dad is the coolest. We need you back!

Ski/Snowboard School

It's that time of year again! Ski/Snowboarding will be held Jan. 6, 13, 27, and Feb. 3 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. with an hour of free ski time after lessons.

Lessons (beginner through advanced) are on Mondays, so kids miss only a little bit of school. The cost is \$184 for the four lessons, or if you have a season ski pass, it's \$144.

This is the best value you will find on ski lessons and is a fantastic way for your kids to learn to ski or snowboard.

If needed, equipment rental is \$10 per week. Please contact Melissa Clayton for more information at misser68@gmail.com. Deadline to sign up is Dec. 21.

Christmas Sing-along

Our annual Christmas Singalong will take place this year on Friday, Dec. 20, at 1:30 p.m.

This is a great way to share a bit of holiday cheer with all of our OES Cubs, and it marks the start of our Christmas break.

Remember, Dec. 20 is an A.M. common day, and parents are welcome to join us for an afternoon of fun and song.

Learn to Code

National Computer Science Education Week is Dec. 9-13. Our school will be joining with millions of students nationwide to learn about computer science in a fun and interactive way. We will be learning to code, just like programmers do!



A Holiday Wish

Think about this for a moment: What if everyone in the big, wide world was was kind to one another all the time? There would be no more bullying, no more mean-spirited teasing, no violence or war. Why? Because you can't bully someone with a kind heart, and you can't be mean-spirited and kind at the same time. And if everyone were always kind, there would never be a need for war.

Now listen to these words: Three things in human life are important. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. The third is to be kind.

Each of us can bring a little more kindness into our world, and be kinder than necessary. So ask yourself this: Who in the world—whether in my classroom or my family or across the globe—needs a little random act of kindness?

The answer might surprise you.

Miss Bolingbroke



