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OES

MAY 2014

Calendar

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- 5 After-School Programs Assembly, 9:30 a.m.; First-Grade Spring Program, 12:30 p.m.
- 6 PTA Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- 7 NOVA Graduation, 1 p.m.
- 8 Kindergarten Program, 6 p.m.
- 9 Walkathon, Spirit Day
- 20 SCC Meeting, 10:45 a.m.
- 26 Memorial Day (No School)
- 27 Field Day (PM Common Day)
- 28 Kindergarten Teddy-Bear Picnic
- 29 Sixth-Grade Graduation, 10 a.m.
- 30 Last Day of School



Fifth-graders from throughout Northern Utah County took part in the annual Hope of America spectacular April 16 at the BYU Marriott Center. [More photos.](#)



OES fifth-graders, in yellow, sat in a corner section at Hope of America.

Book Turn-In

All library books need to be turned in by May 16. Please have your child turn books in during their library day that week.

Please pay for any lost or damaged books as soon as possible. Kids will receive a "smelly" bookmark if they have all their books in on time.



Summer Library

OES kids, there will be summer library on Tuesdays for five weeks from June 3 to July 1, 10 a.m. to noon.

Best of OES

Deanne Williams (top) and Lynn Walker will be retiring from OES after a combined **57** years here! You two are the best of OES! Read more of their story on page 2.



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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.

Miss B's Monthly Minute

Brainy Things



Make two fists and hold them together. That's about the size of your brain.

It's small, but powerful. It's like a high-speed computer, helping you read, write, raise your hand in class, and breathe in and out. There isn't a computer on earth as powerful as the human brain.

A brain surgeon once said: "There is nothing in the universe more beautiful than the brain."

It's important to treat your brain with respect so it can do its job. It needs plenty of sleep, healthy food, and protection.

That's why you need to wear a helmet when you are biking, skateboarding, or skiing. It's why you need to wear a seatbelt. And it's also why you should never feed your brain illegal drugs. Your brain can crash like a computer if you don't take care of it.

Make a decision today to treat that beautiful brain of yours with all the respect it deserves.

Make it a great day—or not. The choice is yours.

Field Day: Volunteer!

It's Field Day Tuesday, May 27, from 9:30 a.m. to noon for the lower grades and 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. for the upper grades.

Field Day would be impossible without help from our amazing parents/siblings/neighbors, so thank you ahead of time for volunteering! You can sign at the OES Field Day sign-up [here](#).

Please contact Telly Carlson at chantellesmith@alpinedistrict.org if you have questions.

Kindergarten Registration

Please remind friends and neighbors who have a kindergartener this next year to register as soon as possible. It's helpful to have all the registrations completed early to get an accurate class count.

Thanks for passing the word!

Morning Walking Club

Exercising helps students in school, so we have a walking club on Tuesdays and Thursdays 30 minutes before school starts.

Early Birds (AM students) can arrive anytime between 7:30 and 7:55 a.m. to walk with Miss B. around the soccer field. Later Gators (PM students) can arrive anytime between 8:45 and 9:10 a.m. to walk with Miss B.

If we have rainy weather, we will walk inside the gym. Parents, please join us, and bring your walking shoes!

Lunch Charges

Parents, with the end of the school year upon us, please make sure all school-lunch charges are taken care of. You can check your balance at [MyPaymentsPlus](#).



Lynn Walker (left) has been a teacher at OES for 32 years. Before becoming a fifth-grade teacher, she taught second grade for three years. She also taught a fourth-fifth split class. What does she like best about OES? She'll miss the kids, and she is grateful for the parents and for her association with the staff.

Deanne Williams has taught at OES for 25 years. Most of us know her as a third-grade teacher, but she has also taught art, music, and social studies. The things she likes best about OES are the terrific kids she has been able to teach and the parental support she has received.