



Oquirrh Elementary Happenings

Great things are happening at Oquirrh Elementary!



Welcome to our April Newsletter!

Welcome to our April edition of the Oquirrh Elementary School Class Newsletter. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable spring break. As we enter the final term of the school year, we have some important announcements and recent celebrations to share with you.

End of Year Testing

Rise Testing: Our Rise testing season is upon us, beginning next week and continuing through mid-May. This is an excellent opportunity for our 3rd -6th grade students to demonstrate all the knowledge they've gained throughout the year. We are eager to see our students shine and showcase their hard work. Acadience testing starts in 2 weeks, and is administered in grades K-6.



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Testing Tips

We understand that testing can sometimes be overwhelming, so we encourage our students to approach the tests with a positive mindset. Here are a few tips to support your child during this time:



1. **Good Night's Sleep:** Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep before each testing day. Rest is crucial for optimal performance.
2. **Healthy Breakfast:** A nutritious breakfast will help fuel your child's brain and body for the day ahead. As a reinder, we serve breakfast daily from 8:25-8:50.
3. **Arrive on Time:** Make sure your child arrives at school on time to avoid any unnecessary stress.
4. **Positive Attitude:** Encourage a positive attitude. Remind your child that these tests are simply a way to show how much they've learned. Children often pick up cues from the adults in their lives, so please be as positive about testing as you can be!

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Cause for Celebration

Behavior Challenge

Several times a year we hold behavior challenges with weekly prizes for each class that met their behavior goals. Week 1 is usually a treat, week 2 a small prize, and week 3 a fun activity. We recently ran a Behavior Challenge in the 3 weeks leading up to Spring Break. Many of our classes met their weekly goal and were able to be rewarded each week for their hard work. In addition, classes who earned ALL of their points every day during the last week before spring break got to participate in a Giant Connect 4 challenge! It was a fun and exciting event that not only rewarded good behavior but also promoted teamwork and strategic thinking. Seven classes participated and we had three final champions in the Connect 4 challenge: Mrs. Kournianos' class, Mrs. Shepard's class and Mrs. Morrison's class. Win or lose, we had a great time playing!

We're incredibly proud of all our students who consistently strive to meet their behavior goals. Their commitment to personal growth and creating a harmonious classroom environment is truly commendable.



Mrs. Kournianos's Class



Mrs. Shepard's Class



Mrs. Morrison's Class

Fun Family Night and 2 for 1 Book Fair

On April 25th, we will be hosting a Family Night at the school from 6:00-7:30. A 2 for 1 Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the library, and we will have fun activities for our families to enjoy all around the school. Student artwork will be posted on the walls as well. A yummy snack will be served. We hope to see you all there!

Lunch Money



As we start wrapping up the school year, please do your best to stay current on lunch balances. Here is a chart to help you to know how much money you will owe between now and the end of the year based on your lunch status:

monthly lunch prices 2023-2024			
Traditional Elementary Schools			
		Regular Price	Reduced Price
August	8	\$2.00	\$0.40
September	19	\$16.00	\$3.20
October	16	\$32.00	\$7.60
November	19	\$32.00	\$6.40
December	15	\$30.00	\$6.00
January	19	\$38.00	\$7.60
February	18	\$36.00	\$7.20
March	16	\$32.00	\$6.40
April	21	\$42.00	\$8.40
May	22	\$44.00	\$8.80
June	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	173	\$346.00	\$69.20

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Traditional Elementary Schools			
		Regular Price	Reduced Price
August	8	\$1.05	\$0.30
September	19	\$8.40	\$2.40
October	16	\$19.95	\$5.70
November	19	\$18.80	\$4.80
December	15	\$19.95	\$5.70
January	15	\$15.75	\$4.50
February	19	\$19.95	\$5.70
March	18	\$18.90	\$5.40
April	16	\$16.80	\$4.80
May	21	\$22.05	\$6.30
June	22	\$23.10	\$6.60
June	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals	173	\$181.65	\$51.90

Breakfast



Free and reduced lunch

As reminder, applications must be filled out each year. It's not too late to fill it out for the last two months of school if you need help paying for school lunch! Ask the office for details!

2024-2025 Pre-school Opportunities

PRESCHOOL



We are adding another pre-school class to our lineup next year. Currently Mrs. Maluia runs a pre-school that is for both special ed students and typically developing peers. Demand has been great, and we filled up quickly, so we are adding a second class for next year. There is a cost associated, but there are also grants for

families who want to apply for free tuition. I am including a flyer with more information, including how to enroll, at the bottom of this newsletter for more information. Sign-ups have already begun, so apply right away! There is still lots of room.

We will also continue to have a Mommy and Me pre-school that is always free, but a parent or adult must attend with each child. This has been a popular option as well. Sign-ups for this will begin in August when we return to school.

Field Day Volunteers Needed in May

Field Day is going to be on Thursday, May 30, the day before school gets out. We will need approximately 24 parent volunteers to make it as fun for the kids as possible. K-3 will be in the morning and 4th-6th in the afternoon. You could volunteer to do AM, PM or both sessions. Please let your child's teacher know if you can help! Thanks!



Some Final Thoughts...

Have a great month! We can't believe there are only 7 1/2 weeks left of this school year! We love working together as a team for the benefit of this community. Please let us know if there is anything more we can do to help make Oquirrh Elementary a great place for your child to learn and grow!



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