

Peter S. Ogden Elementary Principal Whipple's Weekly Newsletter September 2, 2016

Dear Ogden Families,

We are trying something new this year with a weekly newsletter to replace our monthly newsletter. Please look for this document each Friday in Friday Folders. It will always be on lilac paper. In addition to the Friday Folder, you can find this in an email from the school, on our website and on the PTA Facebook page "Peter S Ogden PTA."

<u>iReady Testing:</u> Students in grades 1-5 will be taking the iReady assessment in Reading and Math some time from September 7-28. This online assessment is taken three times a year to monitor student progress.

<u>PTA Popcorn Friday is September 9:</u> This year the PTA will hold Popcorn Friday on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Items and prices are as follows: Popcorn \$0.25 Jerky \$1.00

<u>Grow & Learn is Every Friday Morning from 8:30-10:00</u>: This is a wonderful opportunity for birth-5 year old children to attend with a parent/guardian. Families do not need to live in the PSO boundaries. Come join us for stories, crafts, playtime and snacks.

<u>Kindergarten Conferences</u>: All kinder families should have a family connection conference with the teacher prior to September 9. If you have not had a conference, please connect with your child's teacher.

<u>Classroom Information Night is September 15 from 5:30-7:00:</u> This is an important opportunity to come and meet your child's teacher and learn about what students will study this year. There will be two repeating presentations for those families with multiple children. After the presentation, join us in the cafeteria for a free dinner for the entire family.

<u>VSAA Dance Workshop Registration is Due September 19:</u> 3rd-5th grade students are invited to join a FREE weekly dance group meeting at VSAA on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 beginning October 5. Students will strengthen their dance techniques and skills in ballet, modern and jazz dance.

5th Grade Morning Band Registration is Due September 19: 5th grade students are invited to participate in FREE band two mornings per week at Mcloughlin Middle School. Students are transported by school bus prior to the start of the elementary school day. Please attend an information meeting at Mac on October 4 at 6:30.

<u>Picture Day is September 27:</u> Students will receive a picture packet ordering form in Friday Folders. Send the order form and money with your child on picture day. Photo packages can also be ordered online following the directions in the packet.

Upcoming Events:

September 5 – Labor Day – No School	September 15 – Classroom Information Night @ 5:30
September 7-28 – iReady Fall Testing	September 19 – VSAA Dance & Band Forms Due
September 9 – Popcorn Friday	September 22 – Mcloughlin Open House @ 6:00
September 12 – One Hour Early Release	September 23 – Popcorn Friday