



Peter S. Ogden Elementary
Principal Whipple's Weekly Newsletter
May 5th, 2017

Lost and Found: Students will have a chance to look carefully at the Lost and Found on Monday as the head to buses. All items will be donated on Friday, May 12th.

Dress Code: The warmer weather brings lighter, cooler clothing. We encourage you to dress your child in school-appropriate attire. No spaghetti strap tank tops or short shorts (bottom hem should be past fingertips). Also, flip flops/high heels are hazardous on the playground and in PE/Dance, inhibit running and can result in foot injuries. Tennis shoes or sandals with backs on them are much safer. We will call you for alternate clothing if need be.

Neighborhood Clean-up: Ogden residents can bring their unwanted items, yard debris, recyclables, etc. to the PSO parking lot for disposal on Saturday, May 20, 8am – 3pm. The Ogden Neighborhood Assoc. and the City of Vancouver sponsor this free event. A suggested donation of \$5 would be appreciated. For more information, go to www.nextdoor/ogdenwa.com or call Tracy Weedman at [360-984-1808](tel:360-984-1808).

Bus Stop Behavior: Please remind your children that all school rules apply at the bus stop. Students are expected to demonstrate safe, respectful, and responsible behavior just like in our building. School consequences are assigned if students do not meet expectations.

VPS Parent Survey: We want to hear your feedback! Please visit www.vansd.org to fill out the parent survey. Please complete one survey for each school you have children attending.

Free Preschool Program: Actively engage 4-year olds in developmentally age-appropriate activities to increase school readiness skills and ease the transition process into kindergarten. Program will be Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday during the 2017-18 school year. Applications are available to students residing in the boundaries of Title I designated schools (Anderson, Fruit Valley, Harney, Hazel Dell, Hough, King, Lincoln, Marshall, Minnehaha, Ogden, Roosevelt, Sacajawea, Truman, Walnut Grove, and Washington elementary schools). You may pick up an application at the above listed schools or access from the district website. Submit completed application to the King Elementary school office by 3:00 P.M., May 19, 2017. Applications received after this date and time will be added to a wait list. A lottery drawing will occur at 3:30 P.M. on May 26, 2017 at King Elementary School. All applicants will be notified of the lottery drawing outcome. Those students not selected through the lottery drawing will be notified and placed on a waiting list.

Canned Food Drive: PSO will be hosting a school wide food drive until Friday, May 12th. We are looking for canned or boxed food that can be donated to Vancouver Share House.

Smarter Balanced Testing: Ogden 3rd - 5th grade students are currently taking part in state testing. Students will take two Math assessments and two Language Arts assessments on four days over the next seven weeks. 5th grade students will take an additional Science assessment.

Information from PTA: Thank you everyone who helped us in collecting Labels for Education! Popcorn Friday is May 12th. Don't forget! May 15-19 is the Book Fair. It's buy one get one free! Can't wait to see you all there.

Upcoming Events:

May 8 – One Hour Early Release	May 12 – Popcorn Friday Today!
May 8 – 5 th Grade Walking Field Trip Burnt Bridge Creek	May 12 – Principal Coffee with Parents (English) 8:35
May 11 – Ogden Neighborhood Assoc. Meeting 6:30 PM	May 15-19 - PTA Spring Book Fair
May 12 – Food Drive Ends	May 23 – Last Track Practice