

Peter S. Ogden Elementary Principal Whipple's Weekly Newsletter June 16th, 2017

This is the last newsletter of the 2016-2017 school year! I want to thank you all for making it a great school year. Our school just gets better and better, and it is because of your dedication and support. Have a wonderful summer. We will see you in August!

End of the Year Events:

<u>June 19th</u> – 8:45-10:00 Field Day & 11:15-1:15 School-Wide Picnic – Join us out in the soccer fields for a picnic during your child's lunchtime. Students will be served a sack lunch or you can bring a lunch to share with your children. Only PSO students will be permitted on the playground. Siblings will need to stay with their parents in the field.

11:15-12:00 3rd Grade12:00-12:45 1st Grade11:30-12:15 Kindergarten12:15-1:00 4th Grade11:45-12:30 2nd Grade12:30-1:15 5th Grade

<u>June 20th</u> – 9:00-10:00 – 5th Grade Awards Ceremony – Join us in the gym to recognize our amazing 5th grade class before they head off to middle school. Students will be recognized for athletics, academics and character. 2-hour early release.

<u>June 21st</u> – Last Day of School - 2 hour early release.

June 23rd – School offices closes at 4:00 for the summer. Any remaining students items must be picked up by this time.

Last Week Dress Up Days: Monday is Grade Level Color Day (Kinder-Tie Dye, 1st – Orange, 2nd – Green, 3rd – Black, 4th – Red, 5th – Blue), Tuesday is School Spirit Day (wear Red, Black & White or your Cougar shirts), Wednesday is Hat Day

Farewell & Thank You: Please help me thank the following staff for their contributions to our school as they embark on the next leg of their journey: Michael Wood (4th), Nikki Thompson (1st), Jason Reeves (ITS), Nikki Naberhaus (OT) and Bracy Wevers (ELL).

Summer Moves: Are you moving over the summer? Please let our office know. We are working on forming classes for next year and having accurate student lists is extremely important.

Boundary Exceptions: If your student is currently attending Ogden on a Boundary Exception for the 2016-17 school year, now is the time to turn one in again. We are still missing most applications for a boundary Exception to attend Ogden for the 2017-18 school year. If you are planning for your student to attend Ogden this fall, please be sure to turn in your application as soon as possible, as space is limited. Applications will be considered on a "First come, first served" basis.

Summer Reading Programs: During library time, your children were given documents for two incentive programs to encourage reading over the summer. The University of Washington program has you mail back in the pre-paid brochure for a free UW baseball hat after students have read 600 minutes. The Barnes & Noble program allows students to select a free book of their choice after completing their reading. Please consider taking part in these programs!

Ogden Neighborhood Association Picnic: Saturday, July 22nd from 12:00-3:00 in the park at PSO. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share along with a blanket or lawn chair. There will be activities for kids.

Basic Needs: Check the ogden.vansd.org website under School Basics, Family Community Resource Center, for additional summer resources (food banks, lunch programs, activities for kids) in the FCRC section.

PTA: The PTA would like to thank all the Parents, Students and All of PSO Staff for all their support this year. We're already planning for next year and can't wait! Have a Wonderful Summer. See you soon!

Beginning of the Year Events:

<u>July 31st</u> – Jump Start begins and runs through August 18. This program is for all incoming kindergarten students. Hours are 9:00-11:30 with breakfast served daily. This is a rolling enrollment. Please have your child attend any days you are able.

August 14th – School offices reopens with summer hours 8:30-3:30

<u>August 28th</u> – Back to School Night 5:15-6:15 PM – Come see your child's classroom, meet the teacher, visit informational booths and have a treat! Class lists will be posted on this date.

August 30th - First Day of School - School starts the Wednesday BEFORE Labor Day at 8:20.