



Orem Elementary

PTA Newsletter November 2011

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Here are the fun happenings at OES this month...

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER (Early out every Monday)

SPIRIT DAY EVERY FRIDAY!

Nov 1 PTA Meeting 9:30 am Room 209-
Everyone is Invited!!

Nov 1 Picture Make-up Day

Nov 3 Reflections Awards Night- 7 PM

Nov 5 Family Fun Run/Walk for
Make a Wish

Nov 7 Family Pizza & Movie Night

Nov 8 SCC mtg. Room 209 at 11:15 am

Nov 8 VOTE!! Election Day

Nov 14 Minimal Day-

Grades 1-6 Early Birds 8-12:30

Grades 1-6 Later Gators 9:15-1:45

AM Kindergarten 9:15-11:15

PM Kindergarten 11:45-1:45

Nov 17-18 Grandparents Lunch

Nov 18 1st Trimester Ends

Nov 23-25 Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER (Early out every Monday)

SPIRIT DAY EVERY FRIDAY!

Dec 6 PTA Meeting 9:30 am Room 209-
Everyone is Invited!!

Dec 13 SCC mtg. Room 209 at 11:15 am

Dec 16 Christmas Sing Along

Dec 19-Jan 2 Christmas Break



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Orem Elementary PTA

OES Newsletter & lunch menu
can be found at:

oremelementarypta.blogspot.com

School Website:

<http://orem.alpineschools.org/>

Check out our new school website:

<http://orem.alpineschools.org/>

Please remove the old address and bookmark this new one. Also, please make sure we have an updated **email address** for your family. Miss Bolingbroke sends out monthly "OES News and Events" emails, you won't want to miss!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We would like to extend an invitation to all parents to join our PTA and help run the wonderful programs we offer at OES. From helping with the Book Fair to getting involved with taking pictures for yearbook - we have a spot for you! Please call or text Karen Wynn at 801-372-8515 or send an email to wynnjk@gmail.com and we'll find the perfect fit for you!

CELEBRATE FAMILY MONTH AT OES



FAMILY FUN RUN/WALK

This event raises money for Make-A-Wish and brings families together for fun and exercise. **Saturday, Nov. 5th** at Lakeridge Junior High. The proceeds go to Make-A-Wish of Utah for Jade Tobiasson's wish (Jade is a Lakeridge Jr. High student).

Registration and shirt pick-up begins at 8:00 am, race begins at 9:00 am. Early-bird registration: \$6.00 (includes T-shirt), deadline October 27th. Late / Event Day Registration: \$8.00 (NO T-shirt).

Register online @ runthatrace.com or @ Lakeridge Jr. High at the cashier's office. Make checks payable to Lakeridge Jr. High.

Additional contributions are appreciated. We are racing rain or shine.

Pre-registered racers can pick up their t-shirts Friday, Nov. 4th @ Lakeridge from 2:45-3:00, race day by 8:45, or after race.

We will have drawings for prizes and healthy treats. Meet the Make-A-Wish child and run with your principal - **DON'T MISS IT!!!**



FAMILY PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT

Mon., Nov. 7th @ OES Gym from 6-8:00. **Feature presentation:**

"CARS 2". Come for a family pizza dinner wearing your modest jammies, bring your blankets, air mattresses, munchies, a water bottle and enjoy a fun night at the movies (if you bring lawn chairs, please set them up in the back or sides of the gym as to not block others views).

GRANDPARENTS LUNCH

November 17 & 18 (Thurs. & Fri.) 10:45-12:15 @ Orem Elementary.

Grandparents and family members are invited to have school lunch or **bring their own "picnic" lunch** and eat with their OES student(s).

Enjoy some time together and get a complimentary PTA picture memento taken. Cost of school lunch: \$2.50 (for any non-student).

MVHS FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Children of Eden on November 17-19, 21 7 PM at MVHS Auditorium.

\$5 advance tickets, \$7 at the door or pay at MySchoolFees.com.

FAMILY TABLE TALK

We encourage you to sit down and have dinner together as a family this month and enjoy some fun family conversation.

FAMILY SERVICE PROJECT

We suggest you designate a couple of hours one day this month spending time together tackling a family work project- painting, yard work, organizing or cleaning. Working together builds camaraderie!



SPIRIT SLEEVES

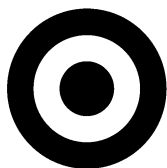
You can purchase spirit sleeves in the front office for \$7. They are a great way to add a little warmth to your spirit day attire through the winter and they also make great Christmas gifts!

SHOP TO HELP OES

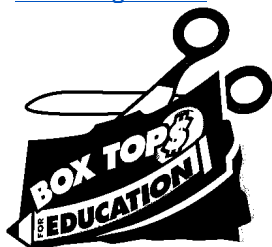
Easy ways that your shopping habits can benefit our school.



- **Smith's Earn and Learn** program requires parents to enroll each year. Go to www.smithsfoodanddrug.com and follow the links to "Earn and Learn". Print the page for parents of Orem Elementary, (it helps if you use the find feature on the task bar in Adobe). Take that page to the nearest Smith's store and have the cashier scan it along with your Rewards card.



- **TARGET** Target also gives back 1% of purchases on their red card, credit or debit, to the school. Their representatives did come to back to school night, but if you missed them you can go to www.target.com to find out more.



- **MAKE OUR SCHOOL A CUT ABOVE!** And please continue to collect BOX TOPS for our next drive coming up in the winter. Remember to encourage your family and neighbors to save them. They really add up and benefit our school in great ways!



POWER A BRIGHT FUTURE

CLOROX GRANTS FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS

OES IN THE RUNNING FOR A \$50,000 GRANT!!

Orem Elementary has been nominated for the *Power a Bright Future* grant from The Clorox Company in hopes of securing up to \$50,000 in funding for our new computer lab. Now is the time for our school community to show its support. Help Orem Elementary win by casting votes starting TODAY! You can vote DAILY until Dec. 9. The program that receives the highest number of votes will be awarded the \$50,000 grand-prize grant, and the next top vote-getters in the Play, Create & Explore categories respectively will each be awarded a \$25,000 grant. A panel of Clorox judges will also select one additional lucky school to win a \$25,000 judge's choice grant. Please vote TWICE each day using text and the online site. To text your vote all you need to do is **text "clorox4488" to 44144**. For online voting go to **<http://www.powerabrightfuture.com/>**, click on "The Nominees" and do a location search for "Orem, UT". You'll find us there! You can also help with simple acts like posting on Facebook and encouraging your friends and family to vote, tweeting the link and or sending an email to your family and friends letting them know the great news and tell them how to vote. For more details please read the flyer coming home with your child. THANK YOU!!

REFLECTIONS

Thank you to all those who participated in Reflections this year!! We will have a Reflections Awards Night on November 3, 2011 in the gym at Orem Elementary at 7 PM where we will honor all those who participated in Reflections this year.

HOME READING

Thursday, November 10 will be prize day. Every student who returns a signed home reading book that day will get a prize. Keep up the reading!

FLEX

FLEX is Tuesday-Friday from 1:10-2:10. We need parent volunteers to help with different FLEX activities. The possibilities are endless. We are currently looking for parents who know Spanish, ASL, Russian, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Tai or any of the Polynesian languages. If you would be able to come and teach one of these languages for a few weeks the kids would love it. Also we are looking for parents who know dances from different cultures: Native American, French, Spanish, Russian, German, Polynesian, Hip Hop, or Country. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Adria Howse. Email: freckles110@hotmail.com Phone: [801 226-0474](tel:8012260474) We need your help!

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

What is SCC? It is a group of parents, teachers and the principal who help to develop a school improvement plan and a School Land Trust Plan among other important responsibilities. Over the past 5 years we have spent over \$100,000.00 on academic school improvement. It is a marvelous opportunity to be part of an advisory group whose purpose is to make schools great! School improvement is the responsibility of everyone, from students and parents to professionals and public officials. We want YOU to be a part of it! SCC meetings will be held on the second Tuesday of each month in room 209 at 11:15 a.m. Please refer to the school website for a list of members of the council. We would love to have more parents enjoy the opportunity of serving with us! Please contact Angela Seegmiller [801-802-9513](tel:8018029513) or angela.seegmiller@gmail.com.