



Olympia South Elementary
Mrs. Stacey Rogers, Principal
Parent Update-Week of April 8th, 2024



This Week At South:

Monday - Solar Eclipse Day

6pm-Board Meeting

Tuesday - 2:30-3:45pm-After School interventions

Wednesday - 2:30-3:45pm-STEM club

5-7pm-McTeacher Night

6:30pm-PTO meeting - OSE Library

Thursday - 2:30-3:45pm- After School interventions

Remember, next Monday, the 15th there is no school for Teacher Institute Day!

IAR state testing for grades 4-5

Last week our third grade students took their IAR tests. This week our 4th and 5th grade students will be testing. We will have the week of April 15th for make ups, but students in grade 5 will also be taking the Science State test that week. PLEASE try to avoid absences for your students during the testing window. If you have appointments that you can reschedule for that time frame, please consider rescheduling. Your child's teacher will communicate with you their exact testing days. Make sure to let the teacher know if your child will be gone on any of the testing dates so we can begin working on a makeup plan. These are required state assessments that are given annually. Click on this [link](#) for a letter that provides information on the state testing

Solar Eclipse on Monday

On Monday, our students will be provided the opportunity to observe the solar eclipse. Thank you to the PTO and some parent donations that provided the glasses for our students. If you do NOT want your child to go outside and participate in the viewing, please make sure to have completed the opt out note that was shared with you by your child's teacher. I have also linked the opt out note here:

Since the eclipse will still be happening during dismissal time, students will be asked to wear their glasses through the dismissal process.

April's SEL focus

This month students are learning about perseverance and focusing on this as our SEL topic. As we get closer to the end of the year, it sometimes feels hard to put forth our best efforts to finish the school year strong. Perseverance is that drive to keep going, even when you want to quit. Keep encouraging your students to push hard and take on those challenges as they strive to reach their goals.

Parent Education

The last parent education zoom meeting of the year will be held next week on April 16th. The topic is De-escalating Cycles of Conflict. The link with more information is below.

[De-escalating Cycles of Conflict](#)

McTeacher Night for Spring is this Wednesday

On Wednesday, April 10th, stop by the McLean McDonalds to visit with some of OSE staff and to support our school by having dine in or take out! A percentage of sales during this event goes back to OSE. At our fall McTeacher night we made a little over \$300!

Spring Music Program - Grades 3-5

Students in grades 3-5 will participate in our spring music program. The spring program will be at 6pm on Wednesday, May 8th in the Olympia South Gym. Students should arrive by 5:45. The groups are still deciding on what they are wearing. Mrs. Jones will communicate that out soon.

Mark your calendars - Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day event for Olympia South is planned for Friday, April 26th. As in years past, this will be a morning event that will start at 8am and conclude by 10am. More information will come as we get closer to the event.

PTO Updates

Next PTO meeting is this Wednesday, April 10th at 6:30pm in the OSE library
Our Spring Family Event scheduled for April 27th will be rescheduled to May 4th.

Important Upcoming Dates:

April 2nd - April 19th - IAR state testing window for 3rd-5th grade students

April 15th - No School for students - Institute Day

April 19th -8am - Walk of Fame for March Spartan Spotlight Students

April 23rd - 5-6pm - Kindergarten Round Up

April 25th - Spring pictures

April 25th - 5th grade band showcase

April 26th - Grandparents Day

April 29th - DIAL Pre-K screenings

May 2nd - Ag/STEM Day

Link for Flyers: Please check out our recently added flyers:

<http://www.olympia.org/o/district/browse/16336>