



Hawk Talk

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Early Release – Wednesday, May 4th

School releases at 12:05pm

No Preschool

Early Release Information

No Early Release on Wednesday, June 1st

Elementary Grading: Friday, June 3 – Early Release @ 12:05

Last Day of School: Friday, June 17 – Early Release @ 12:05

No School

Please mark your calendars for Monday, May 30th as a non school day to honor Memorial Day.



K-3 Spring Music Program

Please mark your calendar for **Thursday, May 5th at 2:30pm** for our Kindergarten - 3rd grade Spring Musical Program. We will be having lots of fun!

4th & 5th Grade Chorus, Band and Orchestra Concert

Our 4th & 5th grade Chorus, 4th & 5th grade Orchestras and 5th grade Band will be performing a concert on **Tuesday, June 14th at 2:00pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend!

2015-16 Yearbooks

Have you ordered your yearbook yet? Prices are \$14.00 per book. Order forms are available in the office. Yearbook distribution day is Wednesday, June 15th at the end of the day.

5th Grade Picnic Volunteers Needed

Each year, McKenny's fifth-grade classes attend a picnic to celebrate their last year of elementary school and transition to middle school. The picnic will be held at LBA Park (located across from the school) and includes a BBQ and games for the students. The event will be held after students participate in Field Day, and will last about three hours. Right now, volunteers are needed to help plan and organize this year's picnic. We will also be soliciting for donations to help cover costs of the event (food, prizes, and a small token gift to each student). If you are interested in helping with either organizing or making a donation, please contact Jocelyn McCabe at [360.870.8708](tel:360.870.8708) or jmccabe34@hotmail.com by **Thursday, May 5**.

Kindergarten Registration Information

Registration for Kindergarten for the 2016-17 school year is well under way. Registration can be done on-line or packets are available at the school office. Please bring your child's Proof of Residency, original Birth Certificate and immunization history.

Placement Consideration Form for 2016-17

Placement Consideration Forms are available in the office or on the McKenny website for placement for the 2016-17 school year. **The forms are due in the office no later than Friday, May 27, 2016.**

New Family Registration for 1st – 5th Grades for the 2016-17 School Year

Registration for 1st – 5th grades for the 2016-17 school year has begun. Please bring your child's Proof of Residency and Birth Certificate. If you have neighbors with school age children, please let them know we are in the process of registering new students.

Lost and Found

Our racks are full; please check our lost and found for any missing items. We will be donating the left over items to

The Little Red School House. Please write your students name in his or her coat. We can return any lost coat to the correct student if their name is visible.



coat

Tardiness Takes a Toll on Achievement

Missing school every now and then doesn't seem like such a big deal. But being absent even part of a day can affect a student's academic achievement in many ways, resulting in:

- **Lower grades.** Students who arrive after class begins miss important elements of a lesson.
- **Missed information.** Tardy students often miss hearing announcements and updates from the teacher. They may miss hearing about homework assignments and important test dates.
- **Loss of valuable learning time for all.** A student's late arrival affects everyone in the classroom as the teacher takes time to get the tardy student caught up.

If your child is frequently tardy:

- **Monitor your child's sleep.** If she frequently oversleeps, you may need to establish an earlier bedtime.
- **Make mornings go smoothly.** Give your child an alarm clock. Put it across the room so she will have to get up to turn it off. Allow plenty of time for using the bathroom, getting dressed and eating a healthy breakfast.
- **Ask for help.** If family circumstances interfere with getting your child to class on time, make an appointment to talk with her teacher.

FYI- Memo from OSD K-12 Teaching & Learning

The Olympia School District has provided professional development for teachers in the areas of English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and the Teacher/Principal Evaluation Program during the 2015-2016 school year. The district welcomes any suggestions or comments about teacher professional development from parents and our community at large. Please direct any comments or suggestions to your building principal or the OSD office of K-12 Teaching and Learning at 596-8585.

Thank you for your interest in improving our schools!

Releasing Students Early at the End of the Day & Phone Calls

It is becoming more problematic for teachers and the office staff to **release students after 3:10**. If you could refrain from picking up your child early, it would be greatly appreciated. **Also**, the office is not responding to phone calls between 3:05 and 3:20. If you have any changes for the end of the day, please call before 3:05 and speak to either Debbie or Kathy, please do not leave a message on the voice mail.

Juice Pop Sales

We will be selling Juice pops on **May 13th & 27** and **June 10th**. Remember, juice pops are sold on a cash only basis. 50¢ per juice pop.



Teacher Assignment will be Posted on Family Access for the 2016-17 School Year!

Remember to sign up for Family Access so you are able to view your **child's teacher assignment for the 2016-17 school year**. Family Access will be available to view your **teacher assignment on Thursday, September 1st after 10:00am**. If you do not have Family Access or access to a computer, we will have class assignments available to view in school on Thursday, September 1st for the day. **If you need access to Family Access, please contact the office at (360) 596-8400 or the Olympia School District at (360) 596-6150.!**

Also, did you know you can view your child's food service balance, test scores, report cards and attendance with Family Access.

Up-Coming Events

May			
		18	Service Club
2	OSD Board mtg @ 6:30	20	PTO Movie Night @ 6:30
4	Early Release @ 12:05	24	1 st grade Field Trip – Dirt Works @ 9:20
5	3 rd , 4 th & 5 th Field Trip – Ballet @ 9:30	26	DLC Day of Champions
	K-3 Spring Music Program @ 2:00		16-17 Kindergarten Open House @ 11:00
10	PTO mtg @ 6:30	27	Juice pops for sale during lunches
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14	Carnival @ 5:30	30	No school – Memorial Day
16	Paulsen Field Trip – Port Blakely Tree Farm		

June

2	3 rd grade Dirt Works Field Trip @ 10:30	14	3 rd grade Tolmie Park Field Trip @ 9:10
3	EARLY RELEASE @ 12:05 Hauschka play @ 6:30pm		4 th & 5 th grade Chorus, Band & Orchestra performance
6	OSD Board mtg @ 6:30		PTO mtg @ 6:30
7	Last day for PAT's Program	16	Field Day
9	5 th grade to tour WMS @ 1:45		5 th grade Picnic @ LBA @ 12:00
10	Juice Pops for sale during lunches Kg Point Defiance Field Trip @ 9:10	17	Last Day of School for Preschool LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

PTO

Fund RUN Thank you!!

A huge thank you to all our students, parents, supporters, and organizers at making this year's fund run a huge success! The funds raised from this event support amazing activities, programs, and staff at McKenny.

Spring Carnival

This final PTO fundraiser of the year will be held on Saturday, May 14th and will be an "Olympic Games" theme. We need plenty of help to make this event success both during the planning stages and during the carnival. There will be volunteer spots available for as little as 30 minutes the day of. We are also seeking donations for our raffle baskets and silent auction! This could be anything from a gift card to business to a free vacation.. We'll be happy with most anything! For more information, please contact our PTO President, Amanda Benjamin at lakeaman@hotmail.com.

Amazon Reward Update

We've had plenty of interest in the Amazon shopping rewards program and wanted to remind everyone that you need to shop via smile.amazon.com for the purchase to count and not the normal amazon.com website. This smile website is still the Amazon shop you are used to, so you will hardly notice a difference. Make sure you've selected "McKenny Parent Teacher Association" as your organization of choice. We appreciate your support and keep on shopping!

Save the Date!

Pack your peanuts, glove, and baseball hat because we're headed to the field!! The field at Cheney Stadium, that is. Mark your calendar for McKenny night at the Tacoma Rainier's game on June 10th at 7:05. Stay tuned and watch those backpacks for more info!

The next PTO meeting is Tuesday, May 10th at 6:30pm in the library.