



Olympia South Elementary School Newsletter

June 2006

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JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 1 Awards Day – 8:30 am Primary to 3rd
9:45 am 4th to 6th
- 4 Teachers' Institute Day – NO SCHOOL
- 5 Report Card Day – 8:00 to 8:50 am
- End of Year Ceremony, 8:45 am, Flag Pole**
- 19 School Office Closed for the Summer

JULY

- 16 Registration Materials Mailed to Homes
Completed material and returned by mail.

AUGUST

- 9 In Building Registration – 1:00 - 8:00 pm
- 21 ½ Day of School
- 22 First Full Day of School

MAIL IN REGISTRATION

This summer, in July, the district office will mail registration materials to all families that resided in the district at the end of this school year. You will have the opportunity to complete the registration process in the comfort of your home. When you have completed the materials you may mail them back to the district. If you choose not to mail the forms in, you may return the completed forms to the elementary school on the one day of scheduled registration, August 9 between 1 to 8 p.m.

PHYSICAL AND IMMUNIZATIONS

Physicals and immunizations are to be completed by students entering school for the first time, students entering fifth grade, or students moving in from out of state. The physical must be within one year of the first day of school. Schedule your physical early and avoid the rush at the end of summer. The physical and immunization records should be presented at registration.

DENTAL EXAM

Students entering Kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grades must present proof of a dental exam. This proof of exam should be turned in at registration. Schedule early!

BIRTH CERTIFICATE

New students to the Illinois school system must present a valid birth certificate from the county of birth. The Illinois Missing Children's Act state that a student's permanent records must contain a county "live birth certificate". This must be presented to complete entry registration and a copy will be placed in the student's permanent school file.

BOOK SEARCH AT OLYMPIA SOUTH ELEMENTARY

The summer months are almost upon us and it will be time to start reading those favorite books during the summer doldrums. Are you looking for a special book for your child to read or to read with your child? Find the book on line by title, author, reading level, or point value for Accelerated Reader Quizzes. Go to the Olympia Homepage www.olympia.org, click on [Olympia Libraries](#) on the left side of the screen, click on [Oly Library Pages](#) in the center (the first link under [Inside Olympia Libraries](#)), and click on [South](#). Now you are at Olympia South's Library WebPages and can click on the [AR Quiz Lists](#) button on the left side of the page. Click this and you will see four columns; Title, Author, Reading Level and Point Value. Click on the list you would like to search under to find a great book to read or share. Visit your local libraries over the break and see if they have your chosen book.

SUMMER READING & WRITING FUN

The following ideas can be used with your child through the summer to develop fluency and comprehension in reading, and to promote writing.

FLUENCY - to support and develop fluency you can read aloud often and encourage your children to read with you. Read and reread favorite books. Act out a book or story. Help your child read new words and talk about their meaning.

COMPREHENSION - to support comprehension you can ask your child to predict what will happen. Ask your child *who, what, when, and where* questions.

WRITING - Grandparents and friends love to receive letters telling about a summer adventure. Encourage your children to write the way they talk. Write out plans for the day or events that took place.

LIBRARY – Visit the library in Atlanta, McLean or Waynesville and participate in their programs. Check out the articles telling you how to find AR books and what is happening at McLean.

Read and Write All Summer!

ARC SPELLS SUCCESS

Reading a textbook is a lot different from reading a novel or a fictional story. Help your child learn the ARC's of reading.

A is for Association. Before your child starts to read, he should think about what he already knows about a subject. Look at the pictures, headings and bold printed words. Think of a question that might be answered in the section.

R is for Reading. Have your child read one section of the chapter. Then have him stop. Have the student tell in his/her own words what they read. Reread if necessary.

C is for Connect. Once your child has finished reading, see if he can answer the questions you and he wrote. Look at the questions at the end of the section. Find a meaning for the bold printed words. Write down what you now know.

Read, Read, Read with your child over the summer. Read for education (non-fiction) and for entertainment (adventure and imagination).

HOMEWORK CLUB

Olympia South's Homework Club began in November with support from volunteer staff members. The staff offers opportunities for individual or small group tutoring to students in grades 3 through 6. The club meets twice a week and students are invited by their teacher to participate in the program. Two staff members monitor and tutor the students for an hour after school. Students review material covered in the classroom, work on missed assignments and/or complete unfinished work. The program has been a great way to assist individuals in developing understanding and skills at their own grade level.

The students and staff are to be commended for their time and effort in helping students meet and maintain grade level standards. It is this type of partnership that provides the framework for all students to be successful and to achieve their potential. The final session of Homework Club was on Thursday, May 24.

Thank you for taking the extra step and helping out with the Homework Club: Cindy Alexander, Laura Baner, Wendy Saylor, Tim Sexton, Crystal Thompson, Linda Hawker, LaRae Beach and Rosemary Rizzolo!

GET READY TO BLAST OFF FOR A SUMMER OF READING FUN AT MT. HOPE-FUNKS GROVE LIBRARY

June 2 – Registration Movie
The Magic School Bus:
Space Adventures
11:00 a.m.
Receive a book bag, bookmark
and prize for signing up!

June 12- Opening Program
Feathered Friends Predators
Wildlife Prairie Park

June 19- Happiness on Planet Earth

June 26- Mission: Recycle
Ecology Action Center

July 3- Challenger Learning Center:
Prairie Aviation Museum

July 10- Out of this World Fun with
Model Rockets & Airplanes
Part I

Tony Billingsley

Will meet at MHFG Park District

July 17- Out of this World Fun with
Model Rockets & Airplanes
Part II

Tony Billingsley

Will meet at MHFG Park District

All events are free and begin at 2:00 p.m.

Fifth graders and older are invited to
sign up as Summer Reading Program
volunteers.

For more information call 309 874 2291
or e-mail mhfglibrary1@hotmail.com.



May Pickup is Saturday, June 2th from **9:00-10:00** am.

We want to THANK those who helped with Market Day pickup in April

(**Kalvin Byrd, Linda Hawkins (McLean Christian Church Youth Group – Carol, Devon, Ashlynd, Jaymie Wilson, Pam Miller, Emily Burns)**)

April Sales were \$2,300 with a profit of \$256.

Thank You all for ordering!!!!

Total Profit for the year is \$3897.00!!!

(September 2006 – April 2007)

There is 1 more opportunity to order Market Day before school starts in August 2007.

June Sales – Pickup Saturday, June 30th 9:00am-10:00am

Turn in orders by June 26th.

Since school is out, enter orders online or send orders to

Kelly Byrd
2545 1600 Ave
Atlanta IL 61723

Or call Kelly 217-648-5393 or 309-261-1422

Market Day Committee

Kelly Byrd, Kathy Nicholas, Shirley Howie
Questions, call Kelly 217-648-5393.