



REMINDERS

- Summer Vacation is here
- Open House for 2016-17 school year is Tuesday, August 15 at 6:00 p.m.
- Note the Fall Sports start dates listed inside the newsletter

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Celebrating K-6 Career Day By: Tammy Gaines

On Thursday May 11th, students in Kindergarten through sixth grade had the opportunity to explore a variety of careers. Students in Kindergarten, First, and Second grades celebrated with their fourth annual career day. They had the opportunity to learn about careers as a paramedic, police officer, and a conservation agent. Students in grades 3-6 participated in their sixth annual Career Fair. The students had big smiles on their faces as they traveled from session to session. Students had been introduced the six career paths – Creative, Helping, Nature, Fixing and Building, Business, and Health. The goal of Career Day is to help our students better understand the world of work and how it connects to their school experience. Students were able to complete a career path survey which helped them to select a career path that they would be interested in. Students were also able to select which sessions they would attend. Each student received a schedule for five sessions based on their preferences and career path. We had speakers from the following careers: Chef, Police Officer, Pharmacist, KFVS 12 Sports Director, Professional Hunter/TV Production, Cake Decorator, Vet, Business Owner, and the United States Army National Guard. Career Day was a chance for students to have fun and learn at the same time. Pictured below are some of our presenters this year.



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Eagle Pride Awards

Tammy Gaines

This quarter in counseling class K-6 the focus has been on: Responsibility, Perseverance, and Work Ethic. We have worked on being prepared for our future career. We need skills like work ethic, being able to get along with others, being on time, and coming to school/work every day even if we don't feel like our perky self. The following students earned the award for 3rd quarter: Mike Evans, Ali King, Nick Hess, Andy Menz, Tyler Brashear, Nevaeh Gonzales, Ava Knotts, Hayden Scott, Kylie Ingram, Bailey Hahn, Sophie Bryeans, Nate Pobst, Laney Shy, and Robby Menz. We are very proud of these students for showing good character and encourage all work toward showing Eagle tary.



Notes from our Administrators...

Elementary

By: Travis Spane, Elementary Principal

We finished the year strong with MAP testing, AR field trips, play day, career day, Muffins with Mom, and hero day. I would like to thank all of the students, parents, and teachers for all of their hard work during the MAP test. Here at Oran we are very proud of how hard our students have worked this year and especially the effort they put in on doing their best on the MAP test.

Our PTO sponsored Play Day and this year we went to the Perry Parks Center and watched Beauty and the Beast and ate lunch at the park. Our PTO president Tanya Albritton helped put on a Change War for the Local Food Bank, Back Packs for Friday and raised over \$1000 and several teachers and myself took pies to the face from the 6th and 1st grade classes. Thanks for participating Mrs. Gaines, Mrs. Dennis, Mrs. Pobst, Mrs. Gelsheimer, Mrs. White, and Coach Shoemaker. Again this year PTO sponsored Muffins for Mom and had a great turn out again well over 300 people.

This year our Accelerated Reader reward trips were a big success. The K-2 students watched the new Smurfs movie and went and played at the park. Our 3-6 grade students went to Discovery Park of America in Union City Tennessee and the kids that went were talking about the trip for days afterwards.

I would like to thank our local EMT's, Firefighters, and Law Enforcement for coming to lunch with the elementary. The students were really excited to see our local Heroes in person.

We will have be having summer school May 22 thru June 15 , if you have any questions please contact the school at 262-3435. If you have not registered it is not too late we are looking forward to an exciting summer school. We have several trips planed such as going Le Bounce, to Malden Youth Museum , the aquatic center in Cape, the Conservation Center in Cape and to Lazy L Safari. We are really looking forward to an exciting summer school.

Once again we have had a great school year hear at Oran and I would like to thank all of the student, parents and staff for making Oran such a great school.

Have a safe summer.

High School

By: Adam Friga, HS Principal

I am not sure where the second semester of the school year has gone, but the month of May is already upon us. Our students and staff have been rigorously working on End of Course and MAP testing to close out a successful school year. We have many dates coming up where we will honor our students in various banquets. The Junior High graduation/award ceremony took place April 28th and Senior graduation will take place May 14th at 2:00.

I would like to thank all the parents and community members who are strongly committed to seeing us attain academic excellence at the highest level. We have a school district that the community can be proud of and your commitment along with the OHS staff is second to none. Thank you.

Staff members will be attending professional development meetings during the summer months in preparation to improve for the upcoming school year. The Profession Development Committee and I will be working on new ideas for improvements as well. I am excited to see what the future holds for our graduating class and for what next year will bring for OHS. I also want to welcome all the new parents and students to OHS. Please know that I will be communicating changes and OHS news through our newsletter and daily announcements. I encourage everyone to take some time to recharge your batteries over the summer. I am truly looking forward to working with our students and parents next year. Please feel free to contact me as you find questions. Thank you all for a great year!

Seniors: I thank you for the time and energy you have given to OHS. I will miss your presence here in our halls as you go off to seek out the next stage of your life. Remember every day is an opportunity. How you use that day is up to you. My wish is that you engage everyday with your passion and determination to make the best of every opportunity given to you. Thank you and best wishes.

Mr. Friga
ORAN PROUD Jr. High/High School Principal

Elementary School Happenings

Kindergarten



Kindergarten ended the year with celebrating all the summer birthdays and a goodbye party.

Mrs. Mitchem

First Grade

Mrs. Gelsheimer

The school year is quickly coming to a close! The students in our class that met their Accelerated Reading Goals will be going on a field trip! We will be going to Cape and watching a movie, eating pizza and playing in the park. We are excited about Muffins with Mom coming up! We are looking forward to Play Day. We have had an amazing school year. We have learned lots, played hard, and learned to be caring and considerate people. Summer will be here soon and this class will be greatly missed!!

Second Grade

Mrs. Pobst

We can't believe how fast this year has blown by us! We have been busy this quarter making sure that we have learned our 2nd grade curriculum so we will be ready for 3rd grade. In reading this quarter we have focused on main idea, sequencing events, classifying and categorizing, fantasy and reality, drawing conclusions, making judgements, and comparing and contrasting. One of the students favorite activities were making snacks using their sequencing directions. The activity got quite messy and interesting with some of the students' directions but the students learned the

importance of sequencing and following directions.

In math we have been focused on fractions, two and three dimensional shapes, measurement, and arrays. The students are really excited about starting multiplication next year in 3rd grade so they enjoyed learning about arrays. We used cereal to make multiplication sentences so the students could relate that 3×5 is actually 3 groups of 5. They also enjoyed having the cereal for a snack!

As summer is upon us, please remember the importance of practice. We teachers do not want our students to lose any knowledge that the students have gained over the school year. Please make sure that your child is reading, writing, and practicing math facts throughout the summer. Also, take this time and enjoy your children. I enjoyed having them in my classroom throughout the year. Have a WONDERFUL summer break!

Third Grade

Mrs. White

The main focus during the last quarter was preparation for the state MAP test. The third graders worked very hard to review and prepare since this was their first year to take it. It took 3 long mornings to complete, but they had very positive attitudes, super attendance, and worked diligently to complete it to the best of their abilities. A big "Thank you!!" goes out to all of the parents and guardians who helped prepare their child physically and mentally to do their best on this test. The encouragement letters that many of the students received from their families on the first morning of testing were a big help. The scores on this test reflect the hard work they have done all year long.

Along with the hard work during the fourth quarter, the students enjoyed some fun activities as well. They went on the "Farm Day" field trip which was sponsored by the Scott

County Women in Agriculture. While there, they rotated through numerous stations to learn about a wide variety of farm-related activities. Also, Mrs. Gaines worked with the students to think ahead to their possible future careers. Then they participated in Career Day and attended presentations from several presenters who gave information about various careers. The PTO sponsored "Muffins with Mom" again this year, and many mothers, grandmothers, and aunts took time out of their day to stop by school and enjoy a muffin with the kids. The students had decorated the hallways with some pictures and questionnaires about their special lady and had illustrated a booklet as a gift, as well.

How can you continue to help your child during the summer months?

Please encourage your child to read over the summer! This is a great time for students to read just for the fun of it, without worrying about AR tests, book levels, and school requirements. Our public library is a wonderful resource, and the librarian is always eager to help children locate books that will interest them. Reading to younger brothers and sisters is great for helping students become more fluent readers. Math games are everywhere! Most families have access to the internet, and it is very easy to search for online math games. The library page of our school website has several sites listed for the students to choose from, but the possibilities are endless. The third graders have worked very hard to master multiplication and division facts, but much learning is lost when these skills aren't in use for several months. Basic addition and subtraction practice is always a good idea, too!

Fourth Grade

Mrs. Dennis

We have been working so hard in fourth grade, we didn't even realize that the year has almost come to an end!

In Reading, we have been working hard on reviewing all the skills that we have learned throughout the year. The students have really engaged themselves in doing the best that they can possibly do. They feel confident that they performed well on the MAP and will make Oran proud! I must say they definitely had their test-taking faces on. Several of our students qualified for the AR reward trip. They had a great time at Discovery Park of America! Fourth quarter math has been focused on measurement, fractions, decimals and some major reviewing of all skills. We will be working hard for the rest of the year so we will be well prepared for 5th grade! We are reviewing coordinate planes, fractions, and geometric shapes, along with other skills, with some fun, hands-on class activities. The students have worked so hard to understand all concepts necessary to be successful in the future and to achieve their personal goals on the MAP Test.

I am so proud of all their effort and achievement this year! Each and every student has worked hard and I am so lucky to have had such a wonderful class to work with here at Oran Elementary.

Here's to a wonderful summer and a success-filled fifth grade year. The students are prepared and ready to take on whatever may come their way in next year!

Fifth Grade

Mrs. Conn

The end of the school year is already here. The students just completed the MAP test and we are all relieved to be done! The fifth graders spent the last week and a half taking the Missouri Assessment Program. They worked very hard in the months leading up to the MAP test. I've enjoyed getting to know your kids this year and we've had a lot of fun. The students have been working on forming 5 paragraph essays. Their writing has greatly improved over the course of the year. I hope you all have a wonderful summer and enjoy the time off.

Sixth Grade

Mrs. Hanlon

I cannot believe that the school year is coming to an end! I am SO proud of the students, and I have enjoyed watching them grow, mature, and, most importantly, LEARN throughout the year.

During the 4th Quarter, we have focused on our 6th grade skills and MAP preparation/testing. ALL students focused and put forth their best efforts on the ELA and Math sections. As a group, too, the students felt confident and positive about our work throughout the year and the test itself. I know that their hard work will pay off in terms of their learning, performance, and preparation for 7th grade. I know that they will be prepared, but I will definitely miss them.

It has been a WONDERFUL year, and I hope that all students and families have a wonderful summer break!

FCCLA

By: Amy Wibbenmeyer, Adviser

FCCLA will be attending National Leadership Conference in Nashville, TN this summer. Leah Urhahn and Macey Senciboy will be competing in Life Event Planning! Wish them luck this summer as they compete! :)

FBLA

By: Larry Boshell, Adviser

We had six students attend the FBLA State Leadership Conference in Springfield and competed and attended breakout sessions in different areas. They represented Oran well while there and hopefully learned something they can carry on into their studies in the future. We have elected new officers for next year and our president will be Ashlonn Flanigan, vice-president, Courtney Cochran; treasurer, Allison Holt; secretary, Kelsey Watkins. We look forward to next year and are hoping to have an incredible year with membership and participation in the district, state and national competitions.

Sr. Beta

Sr. Beta Leah Urhahn will be attending the National Beta Convention in Orlando, FL at the Walt Disney World Resorts June 29th through July 2nd. Leah placed second in the state in Jewelry and will be entering her piece (pictured below) in the National competition.



Student Council

By: Amy Pobst, Adviser

The student council has been very busy this quarter. On April 20 we had our annual blood drive and were very successful. We collected 44 units which was 7 units over our goal. There was never a lull in willing donors. Thank you to all who took time out of their busy day to donate. Sorry for any inconveniences in having to wait, we are already working on ways to improve on this next year. On April 28 we hosted the High School Honors Tea and Junior High Awards and Athletic Banquet. Congratulations to all of the students who received awards.



Volleyball

High School volleyball will be hosting a little kid volleyball camp June 5-9th! E-mail Ms. Wibbenmeyer if you have not signed up and would like to! awibbenmeyer@oran.k12.mo.us

Summer Athletic News

First I would like to thank everyone for the great support that we had this past school year. I would also like to provide some dates to remember for the summer.

The non contact dead period for athletes at Oran is July 22-30. Per MSHSAA guidelines athletes aren't able to use school facilities, including the weight room or have contact (other than casual) with coaches.

Fall sports (fall baseball & volleyball) will start practice on July 31. A current physical is required prior to practice. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Our athletic handbook meeting will be the same night as open house August 15, 2017 7:00.

Thanks

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Action in the Arts

By: Jeff Pind, Art Teacher

Great news for the Art students at Oran High School. The 42nd annual Regional High School Art Show at Sikeston had five Oran winners! Senior, Dillon Holmes, received a first place award in the Fibers category for his Batik which featured his Husky dog holding a rose. Senior, Shane Crites, received a second place in Fibers category for his Batik featuring an armed superhero character. Junior, RJ Yates, got an honorable mention with his Unicorn batik design. Freshman, Savannah Below, received a ribbon award for her portrait drawing of Jesus Christ. Freshman, Morgan Kern, was awarded a ribbon in Wildlife drawing for her inked elephant design. Another great job for our Oran Art students in competition!!!!

A special thanks to all of my graduating Art students. What a great group of talented kids to work with this year. I wish you all the best and hope that your futures are bright and full of success! We are so proud of you all!!!! Congrats!!!!

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