



Orengo School Times



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A Message from our Principal, Mr. Bishop

Dear Students and Parents:

We have had a very good opening with students excited to be back in school. We are proud to be a part of Orengo and in working with you to bring success for your child. We hold high expectations for academic achievement and in behavior standards. The results have been good over the years.

The remainder of the newsletter contains many first of the year items. Included this month is also literature on our enhanced Positive Behavior Support Program. In addition, please take time to review our calendar/handbook. The school newsletter will be sent home the second Tuesday of each month and also each classroom teacher will send you a letter sharing news specific to the individual room.

We anticipate a great year and all of us will continue to work hard to enhance our school's programs and in meeting the expectations you have of us.

Thanks for your support and assistance this past week—we are pleased to be part of your child's education.

Tim Bishop and the
Orengo Team

REMINDERS

*Students may arrive at school after 7:40. We serve breakfast in the cafeteria and those not eating will be supervised on the playground then excused at 7:50 to go to their classrooms. All students may enter their classrooms at 8:00. Lunch money may be deposited until 8:00 daily in mealtime accounts located in the cafeteria.

*Ending times are 2:20 Tuesday-Friday and 1:50 on Mondays for ALL students.
*If your child takes ANY type of medication or over-the-counter products during the school day, you need to come to the school office and complete the required form before the medication can be given. This form must be completed each new school year.

*Parents and other visitors are to sign in at the office and wear a visitor's badge.

*Always sign your child out at the office when he/she needs to leave before regular dismissal time.

*Be sure to read and keep the Elementary Handbook and our school's Parent/Student Handbook



September, 2006

UP- and- COMING

Mark your calendar for these events:

September 12th
Booster (Parent/Teacher)
Club Meeting, 2:30,
Media Center

September 14th
Back-To-School Night
7:00-8:20 p.m.

September 26th
Cookie Dough Orders
Due

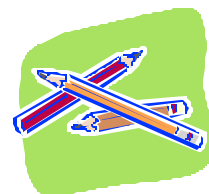
September 29th
Spirit Day

October 3rd
Vision Screening

October 10th
School Pictures
Next Newsletter Sent
Home
Booster Club, 2:30

October 11th
Kinder Pictures

October 13th
No School
State-Wide Inservice



BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT

Fast approaching is an essential first meeting with your child’s teacher and specialists. Thursday, September 14th, at 7:00 p.m. will be Back-to-School Night for parents.

You will learn about your child’s educational program, our expectations and goals, and have the opportunity to ask questions that will help you make this year the best for your child. We will have two 25 minute sessions, so that parents with multiple students can visit more than one room or allow you the opportunity to visit with specialists. Also this year we will have short informational meeting regarding the District’s projected student growth and the November’s construction bond election for additional school buildings. This will be held in the gym and include comments regarding growth, a short video and parents discussing upcoming activities.

ATTENDANCE

It may seem obvious that children with better school attendance records also have better grades, but the link is proving even stronger than educators have thought. Research in Minnesota and New York has found that even small improvements in attendance yield large test score gains. Students who scored in the 85-100 percentile on state exams attended school 93% of the time, whereas students in the 65-84 percentile attended only 91% of the time.

Scores	Rate of Attendance
0-54	85%
55-65	89%
65-84	91%
85-100	93%

PLEASE NOTE

If your child will not be in school, you need to call our attendance line (503) 844-1375 and leave your name, student's name, date and reason for the absence. If we do not receive a call, the absence will be considered unexcused. You will receive a phone call from the school if your child’s absence has not been called in.



COMMUNITY

RESOURCES

Boy Scout of America	503-226-3423
Girl Scouts	503-620-4567
Portland Area Camp Fire	503-224-7800
Hillsboro Parks/Rec	503-681-6120
Boys/Girl’s Club	503-640-4558
Hillsboro Soccer	503-648-5425
Hillsboro Aquatic Center	503-681-6127
Hillsboro Public Library	503-615-6500

Adult supervision is provided to students during regular school hours, while traveling on district-provided vehicles to and from school, and while engaged in district-sponsored activities. Supervision will be provided before school on the playground at 7:30 a.m. and after dismissal until 2:35.

Such supervision does NOT include early morning or the time following usual student departure unless students are present for a scheduled activity.

Commercial daycare providers have been informed that they must consistently pick up students at dismissal times in a timely manner, which does not extend beyond the time following usual student departure (15 minutes following student dismissal times).



FALL FUNDRAISER

Orenco's *Cookie Dough & More* Fall Fundraiser is here! It is our **one & only product fundraiser** for the year! Start selling on Tuesday, September 12th. The final day to turn in orders/money, is Tuesday, September 26th.

This year we are selling cookie dough, cheesecakes, pretzels, coffee and other goodies. Watch for the fundraiser packet in your child's backpack. Check out all of the great prizes you can win! Please contact Carrie Bales, Fundraiser Coordinator, at (503) 844-7271 with any questions. Additional order forms will be in the office. Thanks for supporting Orenco Elementary!!

PARENT VOLUNTEERS:

Volunteering can be a rewarding experience for the volunteer, the school, and the student. We need your participation, and your effort strengthens the school's program. Opportunities include assisting in the classroom, working in the Media Center, Booster Club activities and at-home projects. Thank you for the time you are able to spend with us.



HILLSBORO PARKS AND RECREATION

Hillsboro Parks & Rec offers an after school sports program at your school. The soccer season begins September 19th. The six-week program is Tuesday/Thursday right after school until 4:00 p.m. held in the gym. Bus transportation is provided home. The cost is \$15 per sport per participant. The schedule is:

- Fall I 9/19-10/26 Soccer
- Fall II 10/31-12/7 Pickleball
Badminton
- Winter 1/9-2/15 Basketball
- Spring I 2/27-4/12 Volleyball
- Spring II 4/24-5/31 Multi-Sport

Pick up a registration form at school or online at www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/parksrec. Stay tuned for enrichment classes starting Fall II (Oct 30th). If you want to teach a class after school (science, foreign language, art, dance, drama, etc) contact Hillsboro Parks at Rec at 503-681-6120.



Orenco's POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT PROGRAM

Orenco's Positive Behavior Support Program is designed to teach students what behavior we expect them to exhibit, reinforce their positive choices and use interventions when necessary.

We believe that a school environment that is positive, preventative, predictable and effective is the key to behavior support for our children.

Orenco's PBS is based on three school expectations:

BE SAFE

Be free from harm of any kind

BE RESPECTFUL

Be polite and cooperative with others

BE RESPONSIBLE

Be dependable and trustworthy

The entire learning community has responsibilities for creating a safe, responsible and respectful environment. Children must strive to meet learning expectations in behavior and academics. Families must help their children to understand the importance of learning and partner with school staff to help their child meet learning expectations. Staff must provide quality instruction that inspires, teaches, motivates and challenges children to meet and exceed learning expectations.

"They are all of our kids."



SAFE

RESPECTFUL

RESPONSIBLE

25,140 Gotchas Give Out in 2005-2006!