



Orengo School Times



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April/May 2010

A Message from our Principal, Mr. Bishop

Dear Parents and Students:

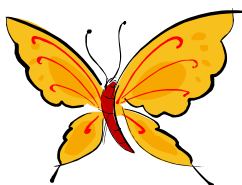
As we enter the last part of the school year, continue to recognize the growth and success your child accomplishes, reinforcing continued hard work and effort in school and homework.

April's school-wide themes were centered on the Character Trait of Honesty and the Lifeskill Sense of Humor.

As we move toward the last month, our emphasis will remain on ending the year with a positive academic focus, as well as including some extra motivating activities to participate in. May's school-wide themes include Courage, Problem Solving, and Curiosity.

Be sure to call your child's teacher if you have any questions. We continue to appreciate your support. Thank you.

Tim Bishop and the Orengo Team



Parent Input on Student

Placement: Your thoughts and insights of your child's needs are important to us in creating classrooms for next year. The form to use in providing us this input will be sent home in the near future. We need this returned to the school by May 5th. Additional forms are available in the office.



Kindergarten Orientation:

Orientation will be May 6th from 2:45-3:15 p.m. in the library. Parents will need to bring updated immunization records and a birth certificate. Your child is invited to attend also.

Volunteer Recognition

Week: The staff is setting aside the week of May 17th to say thank you to the many volunteers who assist us. A separate invitation will soon be sent to you. When you are here during the recognition week, we plan to have a variety of food items and a gift of "Thanks" that we hope will help you remember our appreciation is there throughout the year, Thank you for over 2,800 hours of volunteer time. You make a difference!

UP-and-COMING

Mark your calendar for these events:

April 21st
Secretary's Day

April 23rd.
Earth Day Assembly 1:00

April 30th
Spirit /Crazy Hair Day

May 5th
Parent Input on Class Placement Due

May 6th
Kinder Orientation, 2:45
Book Fair Begins
Limbo Contest, 1:00

May 7th
Sixth Grade Pictures

May 13th - 14th
No School
Conferences

May 17th
Volunteer Appreciation Week Begins

May 28th
Spirit/70's 80's Day

May 31st
No School Memorial Day

June 10th
Primary Field Day

June 11th
Intermediate Field Day

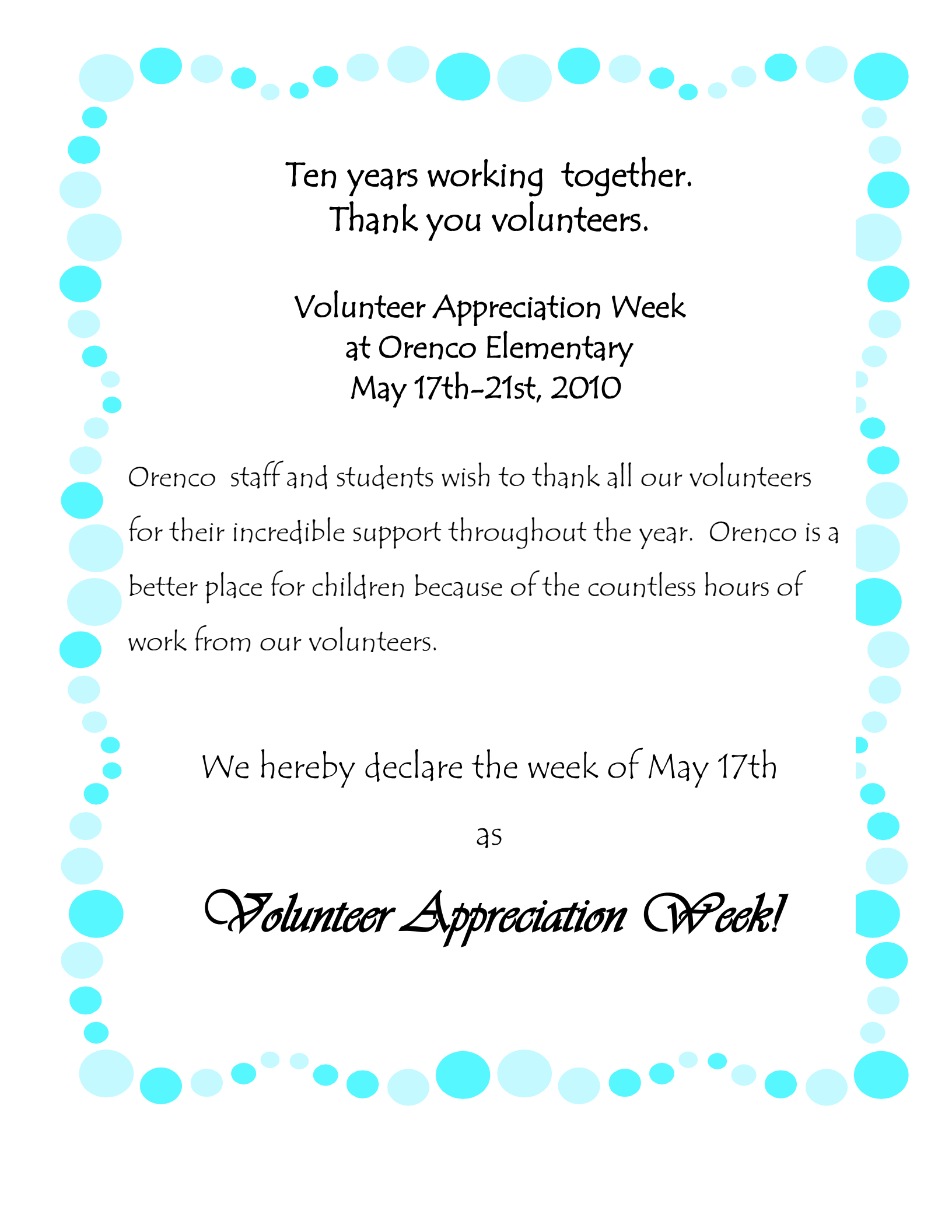
June 15th
Variety Show 1:00
Splash Cash

June 16th
Sixth Grade BBQ
11:00
Last Day Kinders
Grade Level Move Up
1:00

June 17th
Sixth Grade
Celebration 9:30
Last Day Students
Early Release 11:20

May 18th
Last Day Teachers





Ten years working together.
Thank you volunteers.

Volunteer Appreciation Week
at Orenco Elementary
May 17th-21st, 2010

Orenco staff and students wish to thank all our volunteers for their incredible support throughout the year. Orenco is a better place for children because of the countless hours of work from our volunteers.

We hereby declare the week of May 17th

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Volunteer Appreciation Week!



ORENCO AND QUATAMA STUDENTS WILL BE PRIVILEGED TO HEAR THE 1ST MARINE BAND FROM SAN DIEGO.

In celebration of Orenco's tenth anniversary, students and staff attended the 10 Grands concert. What an amazing experience for all!



Students will present in an Earth Day assembly on April 21st at 1:00. Grade levels have been practicing songs and skits they will perform. Should be a lot of fun.



CONGRATULATIONS TO KHARIS BRIDGES AND NAOMI KERSHAW FOR WINNING THE SCHOOL SPELLING BEE!



Connect 2 Science

Third grade is excited about Science! Our young scientists have learned all about Weather, including a visit from a meteorologist from Channel 6.

Students participated in an Engineering Design project that resulted in a weight-bearing table made only from cardboard, newspaper, and masking tape. The big "weigh off" was a fun way to test their variables!

All kids completed both a group and an individual Science Inquiry project using the Scientific Process. Everyone got to show their learning at Orenco's Science-O-Rama.

We just wrapped up our study of Simple Machines. Flying in next is our Insect Study. We introduced insects with a fabulous trip to Jackson Bottom Wetlands. They love Orenco kids! Watch for information about individual Insect Projects coming home soon.

