



Ogletree Elementary presents...

The Shining Star

October 2013

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October is Alabama Parent Visitation Month

Please make every effort to volunteer at Ogletree during parent visitation month! You may contact your child's teacher to see how you can best get involved for this or any other month of the year!! We love our All-Star parents and enjoy you helping us shine brightly!

Consider some of the following ways to become involved in your school:

- Contact your child's teacher about reading to the class.
- Volunteer to have children read to you one-on one.
- Assist with learning addition, subtraction and multiplication facts by playing games and using flash cards.
- Volunteer to be a "test prep parent" – coming in to review with children before the test day.
- Become active in the PTO – contact Davina Casey at davinacasey@hotmail.com.
- Make sure to attend your parent/teacher conference date/time.
- Create math games for the classroom.
- Eat lunch with your child and some of their friends.



We want to hear from you! Let us know suggestions about how you would like to become a part of visitation month. Don't just stop with October, plan to volunteer often. It takes all of us working together to make the biggest difference.

Grandparent Day – Make your Reservations Now!

Please complete and return your reservation for Grandparent Day included at the back of this newsletter. We are excited to host this annual event on **November 1st** this year!



DATES to REMEMBER



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| 10/4 Science Olympiad Form Due | 10/16 Science Olympiad Meeting |
| 10/10 Birthday Book Club | 10/28 OASIS Chess Tournament |
| 10/10 Visiting Illustrator | 10/28 - 11/1 Book Fair |
| 10/11-10/12 PALs Campout | 11/1 Grandparents Day |



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



OCTOBER

Students

	12	Erin Hudson	19	MarNasia Reese	23	Charles Wilhite Coleman	
1	Abigail Chandler	13	Jace Pittman	20	Emma Pope	27	Granberry
2	Delacey Wilkerson	14	Kyung Lee	20	Daleah Finley	27	Rachel Weng
3	Logan Shinta	14	Nathan Foster	20	Charles Rogers	29	John Howard
5	Isabel Schwadron	17	Lauren Reed	20	Neha Sony	30	Zion Fletcher
5	Haileigh Walker	17	Clayton Reed	20	Natasha Gutierrez	30	Drew Arnold
6	Sarah Almond Mackenzie	17	Ella Grace Tippins	20	Ansley Barrington	31	AdreOnna Roberts
6	Wadsworth	17	Wilson Durdin	22	Audrey Childers	<u>Teachers</u>	
7	Chasity Wilson	17	Anne Marie Durdin	22	Lucy Gran	22	DeAnne DeWeese
8	Carter Porter	17	Caroline Smith	23	Autumn Stone	23	Sharon Higgins
11	Aubrey Parham	18	Ceira Wheat	23	JaCraig Stinson	24	Fredna Grimmett

BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

Thursday, October 10 at 1:45
to celebrate **October** birthdays!

Students will receive an iced cookie, a NEW book chosen by the student allowing them an extra book check out for two weeks, a magic show, and their photo will go on our Birthday Book Club wall. A video of the party will be shown on the LIVE morning news. The cost is \$10 and forms are available on the media website or from Mrs. Alsobrook. If you missed the August/September party, you are welcomed to join this month's celebration.

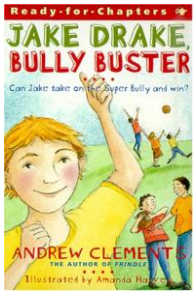
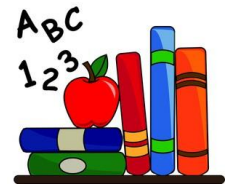
PARENT PORTAL *Information***NOW**

Please remember parent portal is available for you to keep regular check on your child's grades. You can access the page through our system web page: http://www.auburnschools.org/parent_portal

ACS Dental Clinic

The ACS Dental Clinic is available to Auburn City Schools' students who meet qualifications. Please contact Mrs. Joy Stanley at 887-1926 if interested.



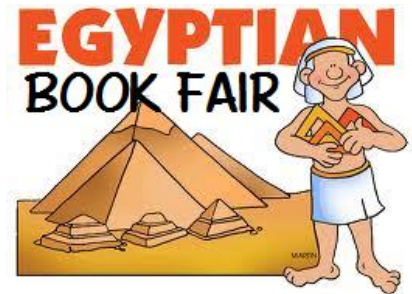


Morning Book Club

We have begun a morning book club in the media center from 7:05-7:20 each morning. The current group is reading Jake Drake Bully Buster by Andrew Clements. A new group from the current applicants will begin the book Riding Freedom on October 7. We will have open sign up throughout the year as we begin new chapter books. Sign up times will be announced on the OES morning news. We will accommodate as many students as we can but space is limited due to the student led nature of this club.

Egyptian themed Scholastic Fall Book Fair

October 28- November 1



We are getting excited about the new books as well as loved classics that will be offered to our students. Thank you as always for supporting our book fair which helps our school earn free books and technology related resources.

Volunteers are needed!! Opportunities to volunteer are: (1) setup on Friday Oct 25, (2) 2hr shifts throughout the week of book fair and (3) break down on Friday November 1. Volunteers interested in helping can email Molly Foster at mollyfost@gmail.com.

A huge thank you goes out to this year's book fair chairs: Molly Foster and Kelly Zapp. They donate many hours organizing volunteers, working throughout the week, and decorating for this event.



2013 Visiting Illustrator Coming to Ogletree!

We are pleased to announce award winning Michael P. White as our 2013 visiting illustrator. He has worked closely with our most recent visiting author,

Carmen Agra Deedy, illustrating her books *The Library Dragon* (winner of the 1997 Flicker Tale Children's Book Award), *The Secret of Old Zeb*, and *Return of the Library Dragon*. He will be at Ogletree the first half of the day **Thursday, October 10**, for three separate presentations to each grade level. Students will bring paper and pencil as they will be involved in the art of illustrating first hand.

The Library Dragon and his latest release, *Return of the Library Dragon*, will be sold at Ogletree. We will send ordering information home in student folders or you may print one from the media center website. He will autograph each book on site.





WOOHOO! WOOHOO!

FOR OUR

ALL-STAR SUMMER LITERACY & PHYSICAL FITNESS PARTICIPANTS!

Blake Colie
Neha Sony
Jinny Lee
Megan Cheshire

Megan Thrasher
Sarah Park
Soojin Park
Jordan Cheshire

Sarah Sewell
Jeremy Lee
Mary Jack Gordan
Nzahri Fanning

Maggie Grace Gulsby
Drew Arnold
Emily Arnold

WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!!!!

OASIS *Kookie* Cookie Chess Tournament

Our Ogletree After School Program, OASIS is hosting a *Kookie Cookie Chess Tournament on October 28, 2013*. Students will participate in a bracket style tournament and enjoy winning Kookie Cookies as well as ribbons. We would like to invite other OES students who enjoy playing chess to join us. Your child is welcome to stay at after school that day. We will serve a snack, and then divide the students into grade level groups to start our tournament. The tournament should begin around 2:45. We are unable to set an exact ending time because that will be based on how many games a student continues to win. **If your child is interested in participating in our tournament please contact Sherri Guenther, our after school coordinator to sign up. Sign up deadline is October 18th.**



4-H Camp 2013 Coming Soon!



It's time for 4th grade students and parents to begin preparation for 4-H Camp to be held this November at the Alabama 4-H Center near Columbiana, Alabama. Mrs. Gibbs', Mrs. Goodling's and Mrs. Wall's students will attend Wed. - Fri. **November 13-15**, while Mrs. Adrian's, Mrs. Croley's and Mrs. Reed's classes will attend Wed. – Fri. **November 20-22**. Attending camp is an experience students remember for the rest of their lives. It is a great opportunity for students to develop relationships with classmates as well as independence.

A 4-H Camp information package was sent home with your child last week. It includes necessary forms that need to be turned in, chaperone application, packing information, etc. The cost this year is \$115 which includes transportation to and from camp, outdoor instruction by an outstanding 4-H staff, as well as two nights lodging and six meals while at camp. Chaperone application forms are due October 2. Parents selected as chaperones will be notified next week. Payment and forms may be brought to school beginning this week. Additional information on the trip can be found on the Venture web page as follows: Access the OES website homepage, click on the "Venture" button, and at the Venture web page click on "4-H Camp" button on the left side of the page.



4th and 5th Grade -

It's Time to Put Together Science Olympiad Teams!!

It is time to prepare for this year's Science Olympiad to be held Saturday, February 15, 2014 at Auburn University. The Elementary Science Olympiad consists of individual, pair, and team science events such as barge building, anatomy, insects, leaf and tree identification, disease diagnosis, density, pond life, pasta-mobile, estimation, structure building, egg drop, wildlife, rocks and minerals and many others, 20 events in all. Practices will be held Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursdays beginning in late October and continuing weekly through mid-February. The practice day for each student will depend upon that student's availability and event preference. Mr. Zutter will work to schedule your meeting day around Ogletree Singers, Drama Club, and Unicycle Club.

Here is the current schedule of upcoming activities and deadlines:

Monday, September 30 - *Science Olympiad Interest Forms distributed to 4th and 5th grade students*

Friday, October 4 - *Science Olympiad Interest Forms due to Mr. Zutter*

Wednesday, October 16 – *Mandatory Parent Information Meeting at OES, 6 pm.*

Once mentors (coaches) are in place, teams will be set up, and events assigned to students as best as possible from their preferences at the first meeting. We plan on the first meeting to be in late October. Parent participation as coaches has been a key to the success of OES at Science Olympiad over the last four years!!!!

October Venture Visit

This year's "Fall Focus" in Venture is "Flight". All 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade classes are studying how and why things fly. Students began the unit thinking about things that fly. Then, as they began a subunit on hot air balloons, they participated in activities where they observed and wrote about properties of air, and learned about buoyancy ("floating") in water and air with help from Bill Nye the Science Guy. As the unit on hot air balloons comes to an end, students will be competing in the OES Hot Air Balloon Challenge using balloons they have designed, tested, redesigned, retested and so on during the last two Venture classes. Next up in October and November: exploring how and why gliders and planes fly. Check with your child weekly to see what they have studied lately.



NEEDED: 1- or 2-liter plastic bottles with lids (Pepsi "shape" NOT Coke "shape")
Shoboxes with lids (adult sizes preferred)

Please have your child bring these items to the Venture room on D-Hall. Thanks!!!



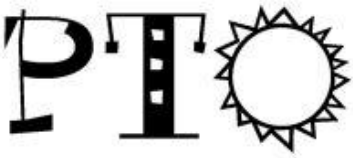
PALs Fall Campout - *Friday to Saturday, Oct. 11-12*

Fish, Canoe and Camp! Open to all students and parents.
More information coming soon. Contact Mr. Hooks for details.
Come join us for this fun, overnight adventure.

Fall Blood Drive a Success!

Thanks to all the parents and teachers who came out to support LifeSouth and OES for our Fall 2013 Blood Drive. There were 15 willing donors with 12 pints collected! Children of donors will get their ice cream party early this month!





PTO is off to an All-Star start!

Some things that the PTO has accomplished early on this year:



- PTO provided daily planners/assignment pads for all students at OES.
- PTO funded \$3000 toward the construction of cubbies/lockers for the new 5th grade class.
- PTO provided a case of paper to each homeroom teacher and an additional 1/2 case to each resource teacher.

BOOSTERTHON FUN RUN

OES PTO'S ONE & ONLY Fundraiser!

Total Earned to date = \$19,412.56



The winners by grade for the pie throwing participation: (based on percentage collected)

3rd grade: DeWeese
Howell
Williams

4th grade: Gibbs
Goodling
Wall

5th grade: Paris
Parrish
Wynn

A BIG thank you to all the family & friends for ALL your support!!!!



Want to get involved with your student(s) school! Come join the OES PTO! Membership forms are in the PTO box in the front office!

AUBURN CITY SCHOOLS



Thank you to EVERYONE who came to the Auburn City Schools' Fall Festival and made it a BIG success. We appreciate your support and time.

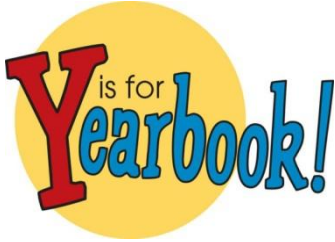
A big thank you to the parents that helped set up and take down our Ogletree booths at the Fall Festival: *Davina and Bart Casey, Melissa Freeman, Ronnie Earles, Emily and Mike Waldrop and Bobby Giles.*

An extra special thanks to Bob Giles, our OES PTO Treasurer, for his numerous hours spent preparing tickets, processing pre-order sales, distributing tickets and for working the ACS ticket booth during the Fall Festival.



Unicycle Club - Help needed!!

Mr. Hooks needs some parents who can help with unicycle club one afternoon per week Tuesday through Friday. No unicycle experience required. Mr. Hooks will teach you what you need to know. If you are willing or interested, please contact Mr. Hooks at 887-4923 or at blhooks@auburnschools.org. It is fun and easy and amazing to see the students learn to ride unicycle!



2013-2014 Yearbooks at \$21.00

Yearbook sales will continue until December for \$21.00. Then, the price will be \$24.00. Please make your check out to Ogletree Elementary School and return the completed form to the office. You can also purchase your yearbook online by clicking on the "order yearbook" icon on the Ogletree web page or <http://jostensyearbooks.com>

Student name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____



We need your pictures for the yearbook!

(Boosterthon, class parties, fieldtrips, spirit day, school related events, etc.)

Here is how you can submit photos online that will possibly be used in the OES Yearbook-

Click on the "ReplayIt" Icon on the Ogletree Website to upload pictures

Please email Laurin Beard if you have any questions. lbeard@auburnschools.org



EARN "FREE" MONEY FOR OES



Send in all labels to the front office! Publix cards are available in the front office.

Ogletree will NO longer be collecting pop-tops!!!