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A Harvest of Activities

The month of October has arrived at our Ockley Green Middle School! As we continue to thrive, there is much to do and much to be apprised. Please read for some of our upcoming October events:

- **Mid-term grades are live.** Please check out Parent Vue; progress reports are being mailed home. If there are any questions, feel free to reach out to your child(ren)'s teacher(s).
- **SUN starts the week of October 10th.** Please see [Ms. Joyce Olivio](#) with any questions.
- **The first progress check for our 25 Books! Challenge is on Tuesday, October 11th.** All students reaching their reading goal will be invited to *Tech on Deck on Tuesday October 18.*
- **No School on Friday, October 14th.**
- **Bike Safety begins for our 5th graders during the week of October 17th.** Please contact your teacher for info.
- **We will host an assembly on Monday, October 17th.** Here we will celebrate our readers and enjoy some talent. 7th & 8th graders will participate during 6th period; 5th and 6th grades will participate during 7th period.
- **There is a Late Opening on Wednesday, October 19th.** Our school doors open at 11:08 a.m., the instructional day begins at 11:15 a.m.
- **Weatherization Workshop at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, October 20.** Please register if you are interested. Weatherization supplies will be passed out. Please contact [Joyce Olivio](#) with any questions.
- **Café with the Principal on Thursday, October 27th.** Please come from 9:30-10:30 a.m. to meet with René, enjoy some coffee and dialogue.
- **Run for the Arts is on Monday, October 31st.** During Run for the Arts, we aim to simultaneously promote health and movement while fundraising to welcome artists and programming. Please see [Coach K](#) with any questions.
- Any transportation questions, concerns and accolades should go directly to the PPS Transportation Director, Teri Brady @ tbrady1@pps.net.

With autumn breezing through, please check the lost and found. There are many sweaters, hoodies and jackets that have been left lying around - you may find something that belongs to you!

Many students are arriving at school before 9 a.m. Is your child? **Please remember, there is no supervision on campus prior to 9 a.m.** However, SUN does offer before-school classes. Please connect with [Ms. Joyce Olivio](#) with any interest.

I appreciate as we all stand to make our middle school grand. I look forward to seeing you around Ockley Green.

Young Audiences
Run for the Arts
Monday
October 31st
during electives



9.28.16 1st period Beginning Band tuning up

SUN SCHOOL
*There is no SUN School on Fridays!

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Health and Safety Update—Kitchens: As you know, over the summer all of our water fixtures were tested for lead, including kitchen faucets. Since some of these faucets initially tested over the EPA limit we have been using pre-washed food in our kitchens as we awaited guidance from a third party, CH2M Hill, on the next steps. This is expensive and inconvenient and it's been a top priority to get our kitchens back online for regular food preparation operation. Beginning October 3, we are happy to report kitchens have been cleared for regular operation with certain protocols in place.

Sinks testing below the EPA threshold may be used as normal. Sinks that tested above the EPA threshold were resampled after a flush protocol. Those measuring under the limit after the resampling were also cleared for normal use with the protocol in place. Tags were used to identify those sinks requiring flush and specific instructions given to staff to make sure that happens. Further analysis will occur in the future and hopefully allow us a more permanent solution such as fixture or pipe replacement.

This is good news and we will continue to keep you informed as new information is available. —PPS Communications

PTA/PTO NEWS

Thanks to all those involved in working to get our new group organized. To see notes from the meeting on October 4th, go [here](#). The intention of the group is to have an open, warm, and inclusive parent-teacher group that is focused on supporting the entire OG community

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 1st from 6:30—8:00 p.m. in the Ockley Green library. Everyone is welcome!! Child care will be provided.

Important Upcoming Dates

- Mon., Oct. 10: SUN School begins
- Tues., Oct. 11: The FIRST - 25 Books! Challenge Progress Check
- Fri., Oct. 14: State Inservice Day — NO SCHOOL
- Mon., Oct. 17: **Assembly to celebrate our readers**
- Tues., Oct. 18: 25 Books! Tech on Deck
- Wed., Oct. 19: Picture Re-takes (as needed)
- Thurs., Oct. 20: Weatherization Workshop, 6:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Oct. 27: Café with the Principal, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
- Mon., Oct. 31: Run 4 Arts (during electives)
- Tues., Nov. 1: PTA/PTO meeting, 6:30-8 p.m.

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