



## Principal's Message

Good morning Ockley Green Families and Community,

I want to thank all of the families for supporting the new cell phone and device policy we started last Monday. We saw a dramatic reduction in phone use and an increase in learning and focus in the classroom. Having the phones 'off and away' all day makes a difference to the climate of our school in a positive way. We will send a survey out to families at the end of the quarter to get your perspective on the policy.

As I have said in recent newsletters, the end of the year is just around the corner. That means that there are events, field trips and celebrations to share and co-plan with you. Sixth grade will be going to Outdoor School at the end of this month and 8th grade is gearing up for several end-of-year celebrations that they will be messaging to 8th grade families next week. The 8th grade team wanted me to mention that the '40 Day Rule' for all 8th graders will start next Monday, April 16th. The '40 Day Rule' is the time from next Monday until the last day of school when 8th grade students are to honor all school expectations in order to participate in the end of year events. Families should look for more information forthcoming from 8th grade next week.

Don't forget that the end of third quarter is this Thursday and there is no school on Friday, April 13th as this is a grading day for our teachers.

Stay dry as April showers come and go and know that I appreciate all that you do to support our students, staff and community.

Best,  
Paula

---

## Calendar

### **This Week's Schedule**

Monday ~ A ~ Regular Schedule  
Tuesday~ B ~ Regular Schedule  
Wednesday~ A ~ Regular Schedule  
Thursday~ B ~ Regular Schedule  
Friday ~ NO SCHOOL

### **April 12 - Thursday**

PTA Meeting  
6:00 pm OG Library

### **April 13 - Friday**

NO SCHOOL  
Teacher Planning Day

### **April 18 - Wednesday**

Late Start Day

### **April 18 - Wednesday**

Site Council Meeting  
6:00 pm OG Library

### **April 27 - Friday**

Awards Assembly

### **April 28 - Saturday**

School Grounds Clean Up  
10 am - Noon

Need to plan ahead?

**[Check out the OGMS  
Student & Family  
Handbook & Calendar](#)**

## April is Poetry Month!

We're celebrating in the library by hanging poetry on trees, creating "Poet-trees." Many students are realizing that writing song lyrics and writing poetry are essentially the same thing; it's very cool!



As part of our celebration, we are taking 70 6th graders to see acclaimed poet, educator, and best selling author Kwame Alexander on April 20th. The Library Foundation is also hosting him for a [free evening at the Alberta Rose Theater](#) on April 20th, starting at 6:30. Kwame is a fantastic speaker and advocate for reading. I'd encourage you to attend with your student if at all possible. Book signings start at 6 pm, and the event is free.

Hustle dig  
Grind push  
Run fast  
Change pivot  
Chase pull  
Aim shoot  
Work smart  
Live smarter  
Play hard  
Practice harder

--Kwame Alexander  
"Basketball Rule #2"

The Crossover

---



Ockley Green is always looking for volunteers. Can you help? Here are some current ways to volunteer or contribute:

### **PTA Volunteers Needed**

The PTA is in need of volunteers for Teacher Appreciation Week and School Grounds Clean Up. If you can help please contact [Doris Tamoro](#).

### **Carpenters?**

Are you handy with a hammer? We could use a group of OG family members to help construct a picnic table and a couple of benches for our students. If you are a handyperson, please contact [Paula McCullough](#). Thank-you!

### **Yearbook**

Ockley Green needs a volunteer to lead/take on the responsibilities for the publication of the yearbook this year! There will be support from LifeTouch (the company who does our student photos) with layout, but we also need a volunteer leader for this important publication. Please contact [Jane Harold](#) if you can help.

## PTA Updates

There is an important PTA meeting this week, please attend if you can! The PTA is trying to decide if there is interest in moving forward with PTA next year, and the decision requires feedback from the OG community. The meeting is Thursday, April 12th at 6pm. *The meeting agenda is attached to this newsletter.*

### **Saturday, April 28th from 10 am to Noon.**

Ockley Green students have regular access to the school garden and garden activities at lunch hour and our garden and campus need a Spring sprucing up! We will be weeding and sheet mulching in the garden and picking up trash from the surrounding campus grounds. Please bring gloves and tools if you have them available. Donuts and coffee provided.



- \* If we have 15 or more volunteers we can earn Disney park passes to raffle off at a later date.
- \* There is a need for 5 gallon buckets to water the donated fruit trees this Summer.
- \* If you have plumbing experience the garden watering system needs fixing.

### **Staff Appreciation Week is coming!**

Do you want to help show OG staff some love? The PTA needs volunteers who can help plan and organize some fun activities for teachers during the week of May 7th.

## OG Website

Are you good with website organization? The OG website could use an overhaul, and the staff could use some parent expertise to help make some improvements. Do you have these skills to offer? Please contact [Jane Harold](#) if you can help.

## Snack Program

Several parents have offered to bring in snacks to OG to help support students during the day who need a snack break. If you would like to support our Snack Program, please bring a gift card to Cash & Carry or Fred Meyer. Principal McCullough will go to the stores and purchase the snacks for students.

## Fred Meyer Rewards

Did you know that Fred Meyer will donate a percentage of your purchase to Ockley Green Middle School? If you have a Fred Meyer Rewards Card, you can designate OG as the school of your choice via the Fred Meyer website. It's easy! Visit the [Fred Meyer Community Rewards registration page](#).

Ockley Green's account number is 88181. Our PTA will use these funds as a source to help pay for field trips, buses, 8th grade graduation, school dances, teacher mini-grants and supplies, the school garden and more!

## Site Council Updates

The next OG Site Council Meeting is Wednesday April 18th at 6 pm in the OG library.

If you have any question for Site Council, you can also reach them by [email](#).

---

## Fundraisers

The PTA is still collecting box tops for the Box Top for Education program. Funds raised will benefit Ockley Green MS students and staff by supporting mini grants for teachers, the garden space, school community events, student dances, 8th grade graduation and help with extras for music and library.

To participate in the Box Top fundraiser, see the flyer attached to this newsletter for which products are eligible, and add your box tops to the collection bin in the office.

### Plant Sale Fundraiser

Thank you for your plant orders! As a reminder, plant pick up will be at Ockley Green on Wednesday, April 25th from 12-5pm.

---

## Other Upcoming Events

### Upcoming Music Performances (Volunteers Needed)

St. John's Parade (meet at Roosevelt High School field)  
Saturday, May 12th starting at about 9-10am

Spring Music Concert at Ockley Green Auditorium  
Thursday, May 31st at 6:00pm

Oaks Park Performance (tentative):  
Saturday in late May or early June

Jr. Rose Parade (tentative):  
Wednesday, June 6th during school day

## School Community Meetings

Have you been curious about the OG PTA and Site Council but haven't had a chance to attend a meeting? It's not too late! Please consider joining these important committees, which will be holding elections for next year's leadership this spring.

The next PTA meeting is Thursday, April 12 at 6 pm in the library. We have Spanish interpretation at the PTA meetings and are seeking more engagement with our Spanish speaking families - please help us spread the words. *The meeting agenda is attached to this newsletter.*

Site Council - The next Site Council meeting is Wednesday, April 18st at 6 pm in the library. You can view the recent [Site Council meeting notes here](#).

## OGMS PTA Meeting 4/12/18

Agenda items:

Introductions

March meeting minutes

Treasurer Report

Fundraising report

- Plant Sale – Still accepting orders. Pick up on April 25<sup>th</sup>
- Ongoing - Fred Meyer Rewards, Box Tops
- Direct Ask – Alternative Fundraiser

Dragon Mural update

School Garden and Grounds Clean Up Event

- Volunteers needed Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> from 10a-12p

Banners to discourage off leash dogs on campus

- finalize/approve wording
- Choose Size

Student Council Ask – Possible Field Day and/or Community Event

Reader Board Information

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation/Event Information Update

PTA going forward

- Will there be enough interest to elect a new board

Administration Update

Community Discussion



# CLIPPING IS EASY! Find Box Tops on hundreds of products you know and love

**RECORTA BOX TOPS Y RECAUDA DINERO PARA TU ESCUELA!**

It's easy to find Box Tops. In fact, you may have some in your home right now. Clip Box Tops from your favorite products and turn them in to your child's school today! Box Tops are each worth 10¢ and they add up fast!

Encontrar Box Tops es fácil. De hecho, tal vez tengas algunos en tu casa en este momento. Recorta Box Tops de cientos de tus productos favoritos. Cada cupón de Box Tops tiene un valor de 10¢ para tu escuela y esas cantidades se suman rápido!

## BAKING & BAKEWARE

### HORNEADO Y PRODUCTOS PARA HORNEAR

- Annie's® Baking Mixes
- Fiber One™ Mixes
- Reynolds® Genuine Parchment Paper
- Reynolds® Non-Stick Baking Pans
- Reynolds® Oven Bags
- Reynolds® Slow Cooker Liners
- Reynolds® Staybright Baking Cups

## CEREAL CEREALES

- Annie's®
- Apple Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Batman™ Chocolate Strawberry
- Basic 4™
- Blueberry Toast Crunch™
- Cascadian Farm™
- Cascadian Farm™ Farm Stand Harvest Granola
- Cheerios™
- Chex™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Blasted Shreds™
- Cocoa Puffs™
- Cookie Crisp™
- Fiber One™
- French Toast Crunch™
- Girl Scouts Thin Mint® Cereal
- Girl Scouts Caramel Crunch® Cereal
- Golden Grahams™
- Kix™
- Lucky Charms™
- Lucky Charms™ Frosted Flakes
- Nature Valley™ Oat Cereals
- Nature Valley™ Protein Crunchy Granola
- Oatmeal Crisp™
- Peanut Butter Chocolate Blasted Shreds™
- Raisin Nut Bran
- Reese's Puffs™
- Strawberry Toast Crunch™
- Total™
- Trix™
- Wheaties™

## FOOD STORAGE

### CONTENEDORES PARA ALIMENTOS

- Ziploc® brand Big Bags XL (4 ct.)
- Ziploc® brand Freezer Bags
- Ziploc® brand Smart Snap Containers
- Ziploc® brand Storage Bags
- Ziploc® brand Twist 'n Loc® Containers
- Ziploc® brand VersaGlass® Containers
- Ziploc® brand Vacuum Freezer System
- Ziploc® brand Zip 'n Steam™ Bags

## FROZEN CONGELADOS

- Annie's® Frozen Snacks
- Cinnamon Toast Crunch™ Bites
- Green Giant™ Vegetables
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Scrambles
- Pillsbury™ Toaster Strudel™
- Totino's™ Party Pizza® & Pizza Rolls® Snacks

## HOUSEHOLD CLEANING

### LIMPIEZA DEL HOGAR

- Finish® Dishwashing Detergent
- Lysol® Bathroom Cleaners
- Lysol® Disinfectant Spray & Wipes

## MEALS & SIDES

### COMIDAS Y GUARNICIONES

- Annie's® Mac & Cheese
- Annie's® Microwaveable Mac & Cheese Cups
- Annie's® Soups
- Betty Crocker™ Specialty Potatoes & Potato Buds
- Betty Crocker™ Suddenly Salad
- Green Giant™ Canned Vegetables
- Hamburger Helper™
- Old El Paso™ Bold Stand n' Stuff Shells
- Old El Paso™ Dinner Kits
- Old El Paso™ Rice & Beans
- Old El Paso™ Shells & Seasonings
- Old El Paso™ Soft Tortilla Taco Boats
- Old El Paso™ Stand n' Stuff Shells

## PAPER PRODUCTS PRODUCTOS DE PAPEL

- Select Kleenex® Tissue bundles
- Scott® Bath Tissue
- Scott® Paper Towels
- Scott Naturals™ Flushable Cleansing Cloths

## PRODUCE FRUTAS Y VERDURAS

- Green Giant™ Fresh Herbs
- Green Giant™ Fresh Vegetables

## REFRIGERATED & DAIRY

### REFRIGERADOS Y LÁCTEOS

- Annie's® Refrigerated Dough
- Annie's® Yogurt Tubes
- Go-Gurt™ Multipacks
- Pillsbury™ Refrigerated Cookies
- Yoplait® Original and Yoplait® Light Fridge Packs

## SCHOOL & OFFICE SUPPLIES

### ARTÍCULOS PARA ESCUELA Y OFICINA

- Boise POLARIS® Premium Paper
- Boise® FIREWORX® Premium Colored Paper

## SNACKS BOCADILLOS

- Annie's® Cookies
- Annie's® Crackers
- Annie's® Crispy Snack Bars
- Annie's® Fruit Snacks
- Annie's® Granola Bars
- Annie's® Organic Popcorn
- Annie's® Organic Puffs
- Annie's® Snack Mix
- Annie's® Toaster Pastries
- Betty Crocker™ Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Bugles™
- Cascadian Farm™ Granola Bars
- Cereal Treat Bars
- Chex Mix™
- Fiber One™ Bars, Brownies, Cookies, and Streusel
- Fiber One™ Cookie & Brownie Bites
- Food Should Taste Good™ Snacks
- Gardetto's™ Snacks
- LARABAR™ (multipacks)
- Larabar™ RENOLA Grain Free Granola
- Mott's® Medleys Fruit Flavored Snacks
- Nature Valley™ Backpacker Chewy Oatmeal Bites
- Nature Valley™ Baked Oat Bites
- Nature Valley™ Bars
- Nature Valley™ Biscuit Sandwiches
- Nature Valley™ Clusters
- Nature Valley™ Granola Bites
- Nature Valley™ Granola Cups
- Nature Valley™ Protein Soft Baked Granola Bites
- Nature Valley™ XL Sweet & Salty Bars

## TABLEWARE MANTELERÍA

- Hefty® Deluxe™ Plates and Platters
- Hefty® Easy Grip® Cups
- Hefty® Everyday™ Cups
- Hefty® Everyday™ Soak Proof Plates and Bowls
- Hefty® Printed Cups
- Hefty® Style Plates
- Kleenex® Dinner Napkins (50 ct.)

## WASTE BAGS BOLSAS DE BASURA

- Hefty® Blackout Tall Kitchen Drawstring Bags
- Hefty® Cinch Sak Large Trash Bags and Lawn & Leaf Bags
- Hefty® Easy Flaps® Tall Kitchen Bags and Large Trash Bags
- Hefty® OdorBlock® Tall Kitchen Drawstring Bags
- Hefty® Renew® Tall Kitchen Bags and Trash Bags
- Hefty® SteelSak® Trash Bags
- Hefty® Twist Tie Tall Kitchen Bags and Trash and Lawn & Leaf Bags
- Hefty® Ultimate
- Hefty® Ultra Flex® Trash Bags



All Boise trademarks are owned by Boise Paper Holdings, L.L.C., or its affiliates. The trademark BOISE is owned by Boise Cascade, L.L.C., or its affiliates. Ziploc® is a registered trademark of S.C. Johnson and Son, Inc. All rights reserved. Kleenex®, Scott®, and Cottonelle® are the registered trademarks of Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. Hefty®, Easy Grip®, Elegantware®, Zooloid®, The Gripper®, Cinch Sak®, Renew®, OdorBlock®, Ultra Flex®, EasyFlaps®, BlackOut®, Kitchen Fresh®, Basics®, Elegantware®, EZ Fold®, Supreme®, Superweight®, and Heavy Duty® are registered trademarks of Reynolds Consumer Products Inc. Avery®, Hi-Liter® and Marks-A-Lot® are registered trademarks of Avery Dennison Corporation. LAND O LAKES, ALPINE LACE, FRESH BUTTERY TASTE, and SNACK 'N CHEESE TO-GO are registered trademarks of Land O'Lakes, Inc. Yoplait and GOGURT are registered trademarks of YOPLAIT MARQUES (France) used under license. MOTT'S and MOTT'S HEALTHY HARVEST are registered trademarks of Mott's LLP. THE HERSEYS® trademark and trade dress are used under license.

Participation in the Box Tops for Education program may vary among individual products and package sizes.

© General Mills

Earn Bonus Box Tops while you shop with the **BOX TOPS BONUS APP**. See how it works at [BTFE.com/bonusapp](http://BTFE.com/bonusapp)

Gane Box Tops adicionales mientras compra, con la **APLICACIÓN DE BONOS DE BOX TOPS**. Ve cómo funciona en [BTFE.com/bonusapp](http://BTFE.com/bonusapp)

