

April/May 2015

## DATES TO REMEMBER:

**April 24** ~ No School

**April 29** ~ Hawaiian Day Assembly 1:50

**May 8** ~ Sage is Awesome Day ~

Wear your spirit gear!

**May 11** ~ Sage PTC Meeting 4:00 to 5:00

**May 14** ~ Kindergarten Orientation Night 6-7pm

**May 22** ~ No School

**May 25** ~ No School (Memorial Day)

**June 3** ~ Sage Spring Picnic ~ held during your students regular lunch time

**June 9** ~ Field Day

**June 10** ~ Last day of School for Kindergarten

(More information to come)

**June 10** ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion

(More information to come)

**June 10** ~ End of year Assembly @ 1:50

**June 11** ~ Last Day of School 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ~ early release at 12:35



Join the  
**Run/Walk  
Club**

Starting April 20-the  
end of May

**Thank you to  
Everyone who  
participated in the  
Jump-A-Thon!  
We raised over  
\$5,000!**

The next **PTC meeting** is  
May 11th at 4pm in the library. We have  
openings on the PTC board. The available  
positions are Vice President, Secretary,  
Treasurer and Fundraising Coordinator. If  
interested please see office for application  
and turn in prior to May 11th  
meeting. Babysitters and snacks will be  
available  
during the meeting.

### For the safety of our students:

- Student Pick Up: Please be prompt when picking up your student(s). Any change to your child's home transportation schedule must be received in the office by 2:30 pm (1:30 on SIW).
- Your patience and consideration to others during Pick-up and Drop-off times at school is greatly appreciated!
- All animals, including dogs, are prohibited on school district property during school hours which includes student arrival and dismissal times.

### **\*\*Attention Parents\*\***

Please talk to your children about the dangers of walking and playing around the irrigation canals. Water is now in the irrigation canals and will remain in the canals until the middle of October. If you would like more information on canal safety, visit the Otto website at [www.usbr.gov/pn/about/otto/index.html](http://www.usbr.gov/pn/about/otto/index.html)

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# Grade Level News

**Kindergarten** is enjoying the change of seasons. We're working on "The Garden" in each classroom, discovering insects, plant life and a few surprises along the way! We're using number lines, ten frames, hundreds charts and rekenreks to solve addition and subtraction problems. Conferences were wonderful and we thank all the parents that support our school and the learning that needs to continue at home!

**1st grade** will be studying animals and life cycles this Spring. We hope to share an up-close view of a few interesting life cycles on our porch. Our visit to the High Desert Museum this month will provide insight into local animals and their habitats.

**2<sup>nd</sup> graders** started a new unit in Reading on how people can make a difference. We will be looking at how to be a good citizen, why it is important for people to work together, and how to make positive changes in our community. We will incorporate a social studies unit on the history of Redmond and learn all about the important founders. Students will work together to create their own town of Redmond 1910. We will be taking two field trips. The first one is on Friday, May 29 to Skyliner Lodge in Tumalo. The 2<sup>nd</sup> field trip will be to Sunriver Nature Center in June. The cost for both is \$10.00.

**3rd grade** just finished an amazing field trip to the Wizard Falls Fish Hatchery which proved to be an excellent source of information for our life-cycle study. Now we are gearing up for Smarter Balance testing and the end of the school year. These (almost) fourth graders are busy writing multiple paragraph essays, reading lots of non-fiction text and citing evidence for their opinions and writing pieces. They are also busy learning about fractions. Whew!!! For a little fun, we will throw in a sprinkling of reader's theater and delve into more science by studying about wildfires and animal adaptations. At the end of the year, third grade will host a family "Trip Across America" night where students will share their reports on a particular state about which they have learned. Come check it out and plan your summer road trip!

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade** has some exciting activities coming up. OMSI Traveling Programs will visit Sage's fourth grade to present Sustainable Resources. Through hands-on activities, students explore the choices that they and their families make every day and the societal, economic and environmental impacts of those choices. The topics covered are Climatology and Engineering. OMSI will visit on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Also, fourth grade is planning a walking field trip into the Dry Canyon with an Oregon Trail theme. They will navigate along the Dry Canyon Trail using a compass and landmarks like the pioneers on the Oregon Trail. At various stops they will engage in different activities with that same Oregon Trail theme. The tentative date for this field trip will be Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>. Our class will need approximately six chaperones (trail guides), one for every five students. Some important upcoming dates to remember are: SBAC/ELA – Computer Adaptive Test - April 21<sup>st</sup> – April 24<sup>th</sup>

SBAC/ELA – Performance Task - April 27<sup>th</sup> – April 30<sup>th</sup>

SBAC/Math – Computer Adaptive Test - May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup>

SBAC/Math – Performance Task - May 11<sup>th</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade** - Can you believe how quickly the school year has gone by? There are several upcoming events in April and May so be sure to check the events calendar sent home by your child's teacher! This month, we have also started our OAKS and Smarter Balanced Testing. Make sure that your child is getting plenty of rest, and is eating a healthy breakfast so they can be as successful as possible! Lastly, keep your eyes open for information about our 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Spectacular in May!