

Ox Bow News

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Dear Ox Bow Families,
It is hard to believe that we are about one fourth of the way into the school year. Thank you for navigating these times with us. We appreciate your support and what you do for your student to make this learning experience a great one for all. I cannot express how proud I am of our staff, virtual and in person. The amount of planning and preparation to provide all of our students with meaningful activities and learning experiences to meet the high expectations you have for us has been incredible. **Please join me in thanking our Ox Bow teachers and staff for all they are doing for our students.** Thank you for your continued support and flexibility

CONCORD GRADING SYSTEM

At Ox Bow, we believe in keeping our parents informed on their child's learning progress. Some ways we do this are through progress reports, grade cards, newsletters, and parent-teacher conferences. Part of parent-teacher conference is to talk about your child's progress academically. Let me take a little time to explain our grading system for those who are not familiar with it. We have two grades for Reading, Writing, and Math. The first grade is the "SKILL" grade. This grade represents how your child is doing on grade level work and expectations. This would include classroom tests, quizzes, and corporation documented expectations. The second grade is "EFFORT" grade. This represents how your child is doing in completing classroom work, completing homework, class participation, or other items that do not reflect child mastery of learning.

Mr. Jiménez

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 10/6 PTO Meeting 6:00pm
- 10/9 End of 1st grading period
- 10/12 - 10/23 At home Book Fair (online)
- 10/21 NO School for students
- 10/21 Parent Teacher Conferences (VIRTUAL)
- 10/28 - 30 NO SCHOOL - Fall Recess

UPCOMING:
11/2-11/6 Red Ribbon Week

PTO NEWS

Join us Tuesday, Oct. 6th at 6:00pm for our next meeting.

PTO had its first meeting virtually for the month of September and discussed several items. There has been a small change in the PTO Board and members now include:
Melissa Auvil-PTO President
Rachelle Fox-Stanley-PTO Vice President
Amy Phelps-PTO Treasurer
Sara Atkinson-PTO Secretary

Due to Covid-19 virus the decision was made to cancel the Jog-A-Thon Fundraiser this fall. We are sad that we will be unable to have this special event, however, we are currently in the process of organizing alternative fundraisers in order to continue to support the school and our wonderful teachers and staff. Parents and staff please note that this year's fundraisers may look different but our hope is to eventually transition back to two primary school fundraisers. Thank you in advance for your understanding and support.

Lastly, Ox Bow PTO would like to extend a warm welcome to any and all parents who may be interested in joining. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 6th at 6:00pm at Ox Bow Elementary. Our plan is to have this meeting outdoors, in person, with weather permitting. More details and updates to come.

For any questions, concerns, or suggestions please do not hesitate to reach out to Oxbowpto@gmail.com
Thank you for your support this year!



Mark your calendars and get ready for some fun! We are hosting an online book fair!

Book Fair Dates: October 12-23, 2020

- Quality, ultra-readable books! Our partner for this online book fair is Junior Library Guild. JLG only selects the top 3% of the new children's books for its collection. So, you KNOW these books are going to be good!
- Safe & cash-free shopping! With health concerns, this online fair is the perfect way for you to build your at-home library from the safety of your home.
- Direct-to-home delivery! You can also shop teacher wish lists and those books will be shipped directly to their classrooms. Easy peasy!
- Affordable selections! Most books in our online fair will be hardcover, first-edition books with library-quality binding. Prices start as low as \$5/book—and shipping is FREE for all orders over \$30.
- Supports our school! Your support is so appreciated!

Keep an eye out for more information about our online JLG@Home Book Fair.

OCT. 21st - NO SCHOOL for students.
Virtual P/T conferences

October 28, 29, and 30th NO SCHOOL - Fall recess

ENJOY YOUR FALL BREAK

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be conducted Virtually on October 21st

We will have a full day of virtual conferences from 11:00am -7:00pm

Please look for information about your scheduled conference times to come home with your students soon.

