Hello Orange Grove Families,

It’s hard to believe it’s the end of the first grading period. Students and teachers are working hard everyday! The school wide reading plan (linger longers), Battle of the Books Bunch, STEM Academies, Chorus, Bucket Brigade and Extended Learning Program are up and running. We love seeing so many of our families at Open House, All Pro Dad’s Breakfast and our monthly Character Assemblies. We hope to see you at Safe Walk to School, Fall Carnival, Red Ribbon Week and Great American Teach In!

We are also ready to reignite Recycle Tuesday and our fall box top contest.

A huge thank you to PTA President Amanda Zuzek, Vice-President Kyra Mugharbel, and our awesome board for making Orange Grove special for our children, families, and us! We welcomed 180+ grandparents on "Grandparents Day” and Dads Take Your Child to School Day was a hit with 60+ families. It’s never too late to join and we would love to have 100% participation.

Please remember home school connection is the greatest indicator of student success. What “OneSmallThing” can you do to make big change?!

- Are you signing your child’s agenda daily?
- Is your child reading and logging in their journal at home daily?

Fridays are school spirit days! Wear your OGE shirts.
• Is your child logging into Clever and doing ST Math / iStation at home?
• Are you making sure your child arrives at school every day on time?
• Have you made a parent /teacher conference with your child’s teacher?

As always, please feel free to stop by or call me anytime. Your input is truly valued. My personal cell is 727-455-7891. Read a great book with your child and have a great Orange Grove Day! #OneSmallThing

From the Heart,
Christine Porter, Ed.D.

MISSION OF ORANGE GROVE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
The mission of Orange Grove Elementary School is to establish leadership and a love of learning.

VISION
100% student success.

SCHOOL / COMMUNITY NEWS

Dear O.G.E. families,

This month we are celebrating “Pet Awareness Month” by having students go on the morning news to discuss good tips on caring for your pets (dogs, cats, small critters, and fish). There is also a poster contest open to all grade levels. The theme is “Helping Animals Live a Better Life” and there will be at least one winner from each grade level (poster due date is Wednesday, October 31st). Last, but not least, we are doing our 13th annual S.P.C.A. donation drive. A flyer was sent home with your child listing all of the items that can be donated. Please bring all items to Mrs. Medina’s portable by Friday, November 2nd. Thank you for caring and helping the community of animals at the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to animals!

Mrs. Medina
Gifted Program Teacher

Student Council is making Tweets for Veterans with grades 1-5. They will be delivered to Bay Pines Hospital on Veterans Day.

Mrs. Rush
2nd Grade Teacher
October 18th Fall Festival, 4p – 7P

Come support OGE and have a fun family evening!!

Always keep up to date on OGE events and information to help our students be successful. Visit us at www.ogepta.org and “like us” on Facebook at OGE PTA.

Welcome back Orange Grove Volunteers! We are off to another great year! Please make sure you log all of your volunteer hours into Focus which can be found on Pinellas County Schools website.

A quick overview of some of the changes that are taking place at Orange Grove as a result of the new Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act. As always, all visitors/volunteers must check in at the main office and present a photo ID.

Level 2 volunteers:

May proceed to their on-campus destination without escort or supervision after checking in at the main office. Must wear their Level 2 badge at all times.

Level 1 volunteers:

Must be escorted to their on-campus destination by school personnel and supervised by either school personnel or Level 2 volunteer, after checking in at the main office with picture ID.

Visitors will no longer be permitted to join a student:

At breakfast.
At lunch Monday-Thursday.
Inside the cafeteria at lunch on Fridays.

For more information, visit PCSB.Org/Safety or call 727-547-7845

Christi Levesque
Family and Community Liaison

Adopt-A-Class has been a tremendous success during the onset of the 2018/2019 school year! Thank you to everyone who has participated in this program. The following is a list of classrooms/departments who have been adopted to date:

**Kindergarten**
- Mrs. Rogers
  - Salon 131
- Mr. Jones
  - Tree Dragon Tree Service
- Medina Family
- Oh’s Marital Arts

**1st Grade**
- Mrs. Harmeson
  - Wolf Family
- Bouanene Family
- Jurkovic Family
- Monica Kelly

**2nd Grade**
- Mrs. Jones
  - Dicus-Harrison Realty Group
- Hamm Family
- Hilton Family
- Parhalo Grandparents
- Abbott Flooring

**3rd Grade**
- Mrs. Rush
  - Lovell Family
- Holly Middleton
- Mrs. Bouanene
  - J. Thor Productions
  - Karelene Brzozowski
  - Jennifer Creel

- Mrs. Hill
  - Hilton Family
  - Christine Pifer

- Mrs. Carron
  - Jones Family
  - Tree Dragon Tree Service

- Mrs. Christie
  - Monica Kelly

- Mrs. Franzen
  - Douberly Family
  - Medina Family
**4th Grade**

Mrs. Keiser
Henderson Family
Parhalo Grandparents
White Family

Mrs. McCoy
Seminole Towing & Recovery

Mrs. Kuenn
Post Family

**5th Grade**

Mrs. Fairbank
Harshbarger Family

Pembleton Family
Rush Family

**P.E.**

Champion Tae Kwon Do

Jones Family

**VPK**

Mrs. Flye/Mrs. Pettis
Wolf Family

Accounting & Business Partners
Parhalo Grandparents
Wallace Carpentry, Inc.

**SAC NEWS**

The School Advisory Council (SAC) meets the second Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. School initiatives, district policies and the School Improvement Plan are discussed each month. All parents and community members are always welcome to attend. If you have a specific concern or item you would like addressed, please contact Miranda Mundzak at mmundzak@hotmail.com or Dr. Porter at 547-7845.

**Principal List Grading Period**

Mrs. Fairbank
Nora Aldis
Cassidy DuVernay
Talia Santos

Mrs. Grimshaw
Noah Ridley
Madelynn Schwing
Ayla Taylor

Mrs. Franzen
Indigo Canfield
Pedro Medina
Brody Weather

Mrs. Kuenn
Brianna Copechal
Sophia Freed
Kyle Hackett
Izabella Loving
Evan Mundzak
Kevin Nguyen

Mrs. Dority
Carlos Cainas Morfa

Mrs. Bouanene
Asher Aldis
Tyler Brzozowski
Joseph Cillian
Esme Klingensmith
Rayhah Redshaw
Riley Turknett

**MEDIA CENTER NEWS**

We would like to congratulate some awesome readers this year.
Junior 10 student this month is Sencere Dawson.
Fab 5 students: Sophia Freed, Gabe Ryan, Kyle Hackett, Bella Schacher, Alan Bailey and Brooklynn Smith.
Terrific 10 students: Tyler Cameron and Savannah Franzen
Club 15: Michael Mugharbel

Remember 3-5 students that reach Fa5 or higher will get a chance to go on our field trip in May to The Treasure Island Fun Center.

*Mr. Howard*
Library Media Technology Specialist
Honor Roll


Mrs. Kuenn  Alan Bailey  Tyler Cameron  Ryan Mazouri  Jovanni McInnis  Elena Ortiz  Shane Pitts  Alexxis Reddick  Chloe Sokell  Shannon Wiley

Mrs. McCoy  Keaden Albright  Auryana Bender  Adrian Brito  Marlin Bryan

Mrs. Grimshaw  Angel Allen  Ethan Bernier  Layla Bruno  Kaylee Cartier  Myla Grindley  Jaden Hernandez  Jane Keen

Mrs. Kieser  Ezekiel Abegg  Savannah Franzen  Grayson Greer  Shane Henderson  Christian Hernandez  Isabelle Tarantino

Mrs. Kieser  Avery Williams

Mrs. Bouanene  Jayden Brown  Connor Creel  Emma Gogolen  Hugh Hall  Alexis Peterson

Mrs. Dority  Aubrey Beland  Mikayla Casale  Marriah Hannah  Devon Johnson  Brandon Pruitt

Mrs. Franzen  Taylor Baczewski  Shyanne Barreto  Emalynn Bowen  Sasha Brkic  Ava Gardiner  Robby Graves  Carter McClendon  Nathan Obartuck  Grace Serata

Recycling News at OGE

Please send in these recycling items to support our program through PepsiCo Recycling:

*Plastic water and soda bottles/Aluminum – These, as well as various other plastic containers, are collected for recycling. Only hand held (no bigger than 2-liter size) is acceptable at this time. Plastics – Only clear plastic drinking containers (i.e. water, juice, soda) up to 2-liter bottles. Please, no milk jugs of any kind. Aluminum – Any soda/fruit juice can on the market.

You may also help by dropping off recycling in the carline on Tuesday. Every Tuesday morning, we offer recycling pick-up in the car line. We will gladly accept any of the recycling program items listed above. Thank you for your continued support!

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If you would like to place an ad for your business in our newsletter, please contact Christi Levesque at 547-7845.
We are excited to announce the School Board approved our new building on September 11, 2018! We are hoping to kick off construction in October and ground breaking should take place by January 2019. Stay tuned for more information.

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