



Orchard Heights Elementary March 2019

Caring and Achieving Together ...
Reaching Every Shark
What Ever it Takes!

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Hello, Shark families!

I cannot believe it is already March! February seemed to disappear, which was due in part to our extended snow break. We will be sure to keep you informed when we know for certain how our June calendar will be adjusted.

Please remember that when you are dropping off your children in the morning, you only use the lane in the parking lot closest to Fircrest Drive. When we have cars line up in the other lane (closest to the bus lane), they sometimes hinder bus traffic and it creates a safety concern.

When you picking up your students at the end of the day, please remember that our designated pick-up area is in the Madrona Heights parking lot. We have staff members and safety patrol students there to keep the pick-up as smooth as possible!

Please remember to sign up for conferences after 4:30 on this Friday (March 8). PLEASE NOTE: Though we will conference on the afternoon of Thursday, March, 28th, there **WILL BE NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS ON THURSDAY, MARCH 28th.**

If you haven't already heard, our fabulous PTSO has been saving up for new playground equipment. A new fundraiser they are sponsoring involves purchasing bricks to display near the new playground. Information was sent home and is also available in our office. Support our new playground and commemorate your family's Shark-ness!

Finally, please remember to send your students with weather-appropriate clothing. We try to have outside recess every day, and with our crazy weather, we want our kids to be prepared for anything!

Thanks for all you do! I am looking forward to seeing you during Conference Week!
Kris Christenberry, Principal

March, 2019 Daily Holidays, Special and Wacky Days:

Employee Appreciation Day
National Pig Day
National Salesperson Day
Peanut Butter Lover's Day
World Day of Prayer
Old Stuff Day
Caregiver Appreciation Day
I Want to Be Happy Day
If Pets Had Thumbs Day
National Anthem Day
Peach Blossom Day
Holy Experiment Day
Hug a GI Day
Mardi Gras/Fat Tuesday
Multiple Personality Day
Ash Wednesday
Dentist's Day
National Frozen Food Day
International Women's Day
Panic Day
Worship of Tools Day
Girl Scouts Day
Plant a Flower Day
Ear Muff Day
Jewel Day
Learn about Butterflies Day
National Potato Chip Day
National Pi Day
National Popcorn Lovers Day
Ides of March
National Quilting Day
Saint Patrick's Day
Tea for Two Tuesday
International Earth Day
Extraterrestrial Day
National Puppy Day



During the first two weeks of March, we hold the annual Jump Rope for Heart Challenge. By participating in the Kids Heart Challenge, your child will help save lives, learn about heart health and earn fun Heart Heroes gifts. The American Heart Association has worked with schools to help students learn hearth-healthy habits for more than 40 years. Get Healthy! Get Involved!

Get started at: heart.org/KidsHeartChallenge

Girls on the Run

Girls on the Run inspires girls to recognize their inner strength and celebrate what makes them one of a kind! Trained coaches lead the girls through discussions on topics like self-confidence, gratitude, and healthy friendships with fun activities and running games. Over the course of the 10-week program, girls in 3rd-5th grade develop essential skills to help them navigate their worlds and establish a lifetime appreciation for health and fitness. The season ends with the girls positively impacting their communities through a service project and being both physically and emotionally prepared to complete a celebratory, non-competitive, 5k event. Financial assistance is available.

Join online at www.girlsontherunwestsound.org

St. Patrick's Day Fun Facts

1. St. Patrick's Day is an Irish national holiday with banks, stores, and businesses closing for the day.
2. Shamrocks are the national emblem of Ireland.
3. Legend says that each leaf of the clover has a meaning: Hope, Faith, Love and Luck.
4. 1962 marked the first time Chicago dyed their river green for St Patrick's Day ... and they STILL celebrate by dyeing the river green for a few hours each year.
5. Shamrock shakes are also very popular
6. There are 34.7 million U.S. residents with Irish ancestry. This number is more than seven times the population of Ireland itself.
7. Your odds of finding a four-leaf clover are about 1 in 10,000.

100 DAYS OF SCHOOL



PLEASE RETURN ALL BORROWED CLOTHES BACK TO THE HEALTH ROOM - THANK YOU!

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