OLD BONHOMME SCHOOL & THE OBPTO

OB WEEKLY NEWS

Nurse News

Influenza A has hit the St. Louis area, and we have had a few cases in students here at Old Bonhomme. Symptoms include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, feeling tired and sometimes vomiting and diarrhea. If you suspect your child has influenza, contact their doctor within 48 hours of the onset of symptoms. They may be able to take an antiviral medication called Tamiflu to shorten the duration. Click on the link below for more information about influenza from the CDC. And remember, it's not to late to get a flu shot, if you haven't already! <u>https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pdf/freeresources/family/flu-guide-forparents-2018.pdf</u>

February

15 NO SCHOOL-Professional Dev. Day**18** NO SCHOOL- Presidents'Day

23 PTO online fundraiser opens

March

Enrollment for After
School Classes begin
OBPTO Community Mtg.
7-8 p.m.

Author Visit

First and second-graders will be hosting an author visit in the Old Bonhomme Library on Thursday, March 7. Author and songwriter Rhett Miller will talk about his career and his new book <u>No More Poems! A Book</u> <u>in Verse That Just Gets Worse.</u>

All OB families, even those not in first or second grade, are welcome to purchase an autographed copy of Miller's book using <u>this link</u>. Please send your order form and payment (cash or check) to Mrs. Kelley in the library. **All checks must be made out to Old Bonhomme Library.**

PTO News

The OBPTO Needs You!

Each year, the Old Bonhomme Parent and Teacher Organization recruits new board members to fill open board positions. WE NEED YOU! Positions are open for President, VP of Events, and 2 Treasurer positions. Nomination forms and more information are going home with your child's folder today. If you are interested in the OBPTO or would like more information, contact Alli Brose <u>allibrose7@gmail.com</u> or Kate Hellmann at <u>ktpichon@yahoo.com</u>.

OBPTO Community Meeting on 3/5- Share your feedback with us

The next OBPTO Community Meeting is coming up on March 5. To help us plan the agenda, we would like to hear feedback from parents and teachers. Please click <u>here</u> to submit your questions, thoughts, discussion topics, or ideas you'd like to share with the OBPTO. Thank you!

"Lights, Camera, Auction!"

Mark your calendars for the 2019 OB Spring Fundraiser, set to kick off **next Saturday, FEBRUARY 23**. This year's event will include the "Bid It to Win It" online auction of items, activities, and parent or teacher hosted sign-up parties! The auction will go live on February 23 and close on March 1. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the auction!

Order your OB yearbook today!

The deadline to submit your yearbook order is **March 1**. You may order and pay online using Wagner's site: <u>www.yearbookmarket.com</u> and type in "Old Bonhomme" in the search bar. All 4th grade students will receive a yearbook courtesy of the OBPTO - so please DO NOT order a yearbook for your fourth grader. Contact Courtney Swillinger for more information: cswillinger@hotmail.com.

4th grade Ads for Grads

Attention 4th grade parents, celebrate your student's final year at Old Bonhomme by purchasing a special ad for your grad! These ads are \$15 each and are included in a special section of the yearbook. Ads for Grads submission deadline is **February 22.** Forms are available on the OBPTO website: <u>http://obpto.squarespace.com/ads</u> and payment for the ads may be made using the MySchoolBucks page for Old Bonhomme PTO. Contact Courtney Swillinger for more information: cswillinger@hotmail.com.

After School Enrichment Classes

SAVE THE DATE for Fall After School Enrichment Classes! The six-week program will begin the **week of April 1**, and run on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays after school. Please look for a registration packet to come home in your student's folder on **Friday, March 1**. This semester is very exciting as we have a great selection of classes with a good mix of previously popular as well as new topics! For more details about being a parent volunteer and earning credit toward a free class for your child or if you have any other questions about the After-School Enrichment Program, contact Stephanie Dahl at stephanie.dahl@bayer.com.

Thank you!

Thank you to Cynthia Wachtel and Sandra Calvo for organizing the "It's a Small World" event with Mama Lisa. Students and families had a wonderful time singing, dancing, and learning about Ghana!

Spring 2019 Events

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming events:

- 2/23 Lights, Camera, Auction! online fundraiser opens
- 3/1 Enrollment begins for spring After School Classes
- 3/5 OBPTO Community Meeting 7-8 p.m.
- 4/2 Fundraiser @ Flying Spider 10am-12 p.m.
- 4/5 Science and Innovation Night 6-8 p.m.
- 4/15-4/19 Scholastic Book Fair
- 5/3 Spring Fling 5-7:30 p.m.

Counselor News

Happy Lunar New Year - Share your Pictures

According to Chinese New Year.net, Chinese New Year, or Spring Festival, has more than 4,000 years of history and is the longest holiday of the year. In the 21st century, the national holiday begins on the first of the Lunar Calendar and lasts until the 15th of the first month. In 2019, Chinese New Year begins on February 5th and ends February 19th. Each year is associated with a Chinese Zodiac Animal and this year is the Year of the Pig.

If you are celebrating the Lunar New Year we encourage you to share your pictures with us to display in the hallway at Old Bonhomme. Click <u>here</u> to see what we have collected so far. You can send them in with your child or email them to <u>harnold@ladueschools.net</u> or <u>kcarey@ladueschools.net</u>.

OB Community Weekly Resource Tip - Together is Better

Together we can learn from each other by sharing our tips and resources. Please consider sharing a tip or resource that has helped you be a better person, caregiver, and/or partner. We will feature the tip(s) and/ or resource(s) in our weekly OB News. If you don't want your name mentioned in the newsletter you don't have to complete the name portion of the survey. Click <u>here</u> to submit your tip.

Tip of the Week

From our recent professional development with Joe Beckman, he said "It's not about changing the world, it's about changing one person's day...". This idea seemed more manageable to me, and helped me realize connections mean more to students than we realize.

Marisa Hunt - OB First Grade Teacher

LEF News

2019 INNOVATION CELEBRATION: SPORTS EDITION

The Ladue Education Foundation & Alumni Association (LEF) invites alumni, parents and the community to celebrate and support innovation in Ladue schools. This year, we highlight sports and physical education at our annual spring gala, themed "Innovation Celebration: Sports Edition."

Friday, April 12, 2019, 6:30-11 p.m. Jewish Community Center Sports Arena 2 Millstone Campus Dr., Creve Coeur, MO 63146

FEATURING

- · Cocktails and Dinner
- · Games and Entertainment, featuring the LHWHS Pep Band and the Laduettes
- Nutritious Smoothie Tasting with the LHWHS Catering Club
- Pop-up Shop with State Championship Football and Just 'Due It Gear.
- Silent Auction
- · Live Auction, Assisted by Ladue Schools Athletes

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ben Newman, Ladue School District alumnus ('97), a highly regarded Performance Coach, International Speaker and Best-Selling Author, whose clients include Fortune 500 companies and professional athletes in the NFL, PGA, NBA, MLB, UFC and NCAA.

Dress Code: Cocktail or Creative Sports Attire (anything from dresses to jerseys!)

Mailed invitations will be sent in March, but you can register now on our website at <u>www.laduefoundation.org</u>. Sponsorship opportunities available!