

# OB WEEKLY NEWS

## Welcome Back

We had a great first week together. It has been neat to see so many familiar faces after Popsicles with the Principals' and our Meet the Teacher event. This week Dr. Riesenmy and myself have spent the majority of our time in classrooms and at lunch/recess. We can't thank everyone enough for the warm welcome we have received. Have a great weekend!

Your OB Admin Team,  
Stephanie & Jennifer

## Curriculum Night

We hope to see you at our Curriculum Night on Tuesday, August 27, starting at 6:30 p.m. More information will be coming soon.

## Parent Handbook

If you were a little overwhelmed with getting the year started and have not had a chance to read the Old Bonhomme Parent Handbook, (which is now available on the Old Bonhomme Website) we encourage you to take time this weekend to really read through it. You may be surprised how much great information it contains. You can access the online handbook by clicking [here](#).

## Traffic Notes

Traffic on rainy days is always congested so be prepared. Supervision is provided by school staff at 8:30 a.m. and the bell rings to enter the building at 8:40 a.m. Students are considered tardy if they are not in their classrooms by the 8:50 a.m. bell. Please plan accordingly, and if you live in a bus zone we strongly encourage you to utilize it! If you are driving to pick up your student on the upper blacktop, we ask you to wait in a parking space until all your children are waiting out front, once you see your child you can get you into the circling cars. Kindergarten parents are the only ones who will continue to circle the lot until they see their child. If you are one of those waiting or stuck on Old Bonhomme Road, you may decide that it would be quicker to park at Stacy Park and walk across to pick up by the front library door. If your child is old enough to be responsible, they can walk on the sidewalk and cross over to the park with the help of the crossing guard. If your dismissal plans change, you may call the office before 3:15, to ensure the message is delivered to your child in time. If the change happens and you aren't able to notify anyone, there is a teacher at the library door and on the upper blacktop who can call for your child. Remember, a consistent plan helps everyone get connected more efficiently!

## August

**27** OB Curriculum Night,  
6:30-8 p.m.

**30** Early Dismissal, 1:15p.m.

## September

**2** NO SCHOOL- Labor Day

**3** Kindergarten Social,  
6:30-7:30 p.m.

**10** Room Parent Mtg, 6:30 p.m.

**11** Walk in the Park (during PE)

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## Birthday Announcements

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We announce student birthdays throughout the year, May, June and July summer birthdays are announced in May and August summer birthdays are announced in August. Each student will receive a birthday button created by the 3rd graders from the previous school year. Due to allergies we do not allow birthday treats.

## Box Tops for Education

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Earn cash for our school with no more clipping. All you need is your smart phone. The NEW and improved Box Top mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to our school's earnings online. Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store as packages transition to the new Box Tops labels. For more details see the Box Tops flyer that was sent out through Peachjar.

## Ladue Football

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As a community we are trying to create as much school spirit as possible at our home football games this year. The first three games will all have a color theme.

**September 13** vs. Webster Groves – BLACK OUT – FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT GAME in LADUE History

**September 20** vs. Parkway Central – WHITE OUT – ELEMENTARY NIGHT

The school with the largest percentage of sales will lead the team out onto the field.

All other elementary students will be a part of the pregame tunnel.

**September 27** vs. Clayton – BLUE OUT – HOMECOMING 2019

The following link will take you to a team store where you can purchase individual t-shirts for each game.

Each shirt is available at different price points. The web store is also available online at <https://ladueactivities.com/>

A portion of all sales will go to Coaches Versus Cancer.

The store will only be open until midnight on Tuesday, August 20. So, place your order today!

Web Store Link: <https://www.bsnteamsports.com/shop/Vbace1CynM>

We look forward to seeing you at the games.

## PTO NEWS

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### **Welcome Back to School!**

The OBPTO would like to extend a special welcome to all new and returning families. We had a wonderful time seeing so many of you at the OBPTO Back to School Social and First Morning Coffee. We look forward to working with you throughout the year to help you and your family connect with our incredible Old Bonhomme community. Feel free to email us with any questions you may have at [oldbonhommepto@gmail.com](mailto:oldbonhommepto@gmail.com). We wish you the very best this school year!

### **Family Contact Information: Buzz Book Submission Deadline August 30.**

Please submit your family contact information to stay informed about PTO events and activities throughout the year and to be included in our Old Bonhomme Family Directory, aka the "Buzz Book." Visit <http://obpto.squarespace.com/buzzbook/> to submit your contact info. There are also paper forms in the office and

paper forms were sent home at packet pickup. **Submission deadline is August 30, families must re-submit information each year.**

### **OBPTO Contributions Accepted**

Please consider making a donation to support the work of the Old Bonhomme Parent Teacher Organization. The OBPTO spends an average of \$150/ per student each year to support a variety of activities including back to school events, holiday parties, grade level socials, arts assemblies and field trips, teacher mini-grants, teacher appreciation, and so much more! Please support the OBPTO by donating via check or online at <https://bit.ly/2MZPYyV> through MySchoolBucks. (No additional fees charged for MySchoolBucks use.)

### **Volunteer Opportunities & Room Parent Signups**

In case you missed the sign-up sheets during Back to School events, please look through the online list of events, fundraisers, and committees to find ways that you can volunteer at Old Bonhomme this year. Visit <http://obpto.squarespace.com/how-to-get-involved> to sign up. No matter how much or how little time you have to spare, we can always use your help!

### **2nd Grade Social Chair Needed!**

Do you have a second grader? We need your help to plan and organize the second grade social, scheduled for Tuesday, September 17! This event won't happen without volunteer organizers. We are looking for 1-2 people to chair the event, and numerous other to help out. Please contact Grace Johnson, VP of Events, at [gyanjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:gyanjohnson@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Fall Tennis Carnival- September 7**

Join us on Saturday, September 7, from 6-8 p.m. for the Frontenac Racquet Club Tennis Carnival. No experience or racquet needed! Students will enjoy tennis skill games along with a variety of other fun games. Space is limited so reserve your spot by signing up online at [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com) or by turning in a check to the school office made payable to OBPTO by Friday, September 6. The cost is \$25 per student. ALL proceeds go back to the OBPTO.

### **Dance-A-Thon, October 4. Save the Date!**

Please Save the Date for our 4th Annual Dance-A-Thon event coming up on Friday, October 4. This is the major fundraiser of the year for the OBPTO! Please plan to join us for a family celebration at the OB Blacktop from 5-7 p.m. We will have a great DJ, food trucks, and tons of fun. This is an event you won't want to miss! For more information, contact Jennifer Soshnik at [jennifer.growe@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.growe@gmail.com).

### **Use Amazon Smile and support the OBPTO**

The next time you buy something on Amazon, use Amazon Smile instead and support the OBPTO. Designate the OBPTO as your charity of choice and every time you buy something from Amazon Smile, .05% of sales will be donated to OBPTO. The inventory is the same, it is simply that the ordering path allows for a charitable contribution. It is simple and easy!

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-4310750> to get started today.

### **Gardening Thank You**

Thank you to all of the parent and student volunteers who cared for the OB Vegetable Garden and Butterfly Garden over the summer! The gardens look great because of your hard work!! Special thanks to Anna Molina, Lindsay Minton, and Jenny Kissel for their extra time spent weeding the gardens!