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**Olympic View
Elementary**

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Dear Olympic View Families,

A huge **THANK YOU** to the plant sale ladies for coordinating another amazing plant sale—Wendy Ostenson, Ann Tracey, Sarah Ketchley, Jeanne Guethe, Holly Sanders and Janna Jeakins. We certainly appreciate all that you did to make it the amazing event that it was. Thanks also to all of the families who supported the sale.

We are very proud of the hard work our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students put into completing the WASL. They made you proud in the way that they put forth such tremendous effort.

See You Around OV—

Tim Moynihan, Principal, Justin Baeder, Incoming Principal and Mary McDaniel, Head Teacher

Dear Olympic View Families—

I am amazed at the warm welcome I have received from families, students, and staff over the past few weeks. It was a pleasure to be at Olympic View last Friday to meet students and answer their questions, and I look forward to meeting parents and community members at the May 13 PTA meeting. I am eagerly anticipating my start as principal at Olympic View this summer, and am working closely with Mr. Moynihan to ensure a smooth transition.

I will be participating in the 5th grade trip to Boston next week, and look forward to meeting individually with each staff member by the end of May. I continue to be impressed by the sense of community I feel each time I'm in the building. Thank you for all you do to support our students.

Sincerely,
Justin Baeder
Incoming Principal

What's Up With Middle School Education?

The transition from elementary school to middle school always raises many questions for parents: Are all middle school programs equal? Why are some middle school programs more popular than others? Will our kids be prepared for high school? What is present or lacking in Seattle Public Middle Schools? Join the discussion. Panelists include:

- Ruth Medsker, Seattle Public Schools' Middle Schools Director
- Princess Shareef, Meany Middle School Principal
- Michael Tolley, SPS High School Instructional Director
- Bob Vaughn, SPS Director for Advanced Learning.

Join in on the conversation on **Wednesday, April 30 from 6:30 – 8:30 pm** at Meany Middle School Library at 301 – 21st Avenue E (Capitol Hill). Licensed child care is available by emailing stephaniej@cspsofseattle.org.

Husky Baseball Tickets

Friday May 9 at 6:30pm,
Saturday May 10 at
2:00pm or Sunday May 11
at 1:00pm. All games are
against WSU.

Bike to School:

Bike to School commute calendars will be sent home this week to be used starting May 1. This year Cascade Bike Club has made it easier for more students to participate. Here are the ways a student can log commutes on the calendar. First, if the student does not own a bike, but rides the school bus. Next, if the student owns a bike, but rides the bus or gets dropped off. The student can log bike rides to and from their home or around Green Lake or just about anywhere. Last, if the student lives close enough to school and has a bike lock they can bike to school. It would be nice to see a strong commitment to reducing our carbon foot print around Olympic View during the Month of May. Join the FUN! If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Bruecher at bhbruecher@seattleschools.org or (206) 252-5514.

OV Phone Numbers

Main Office	(206) 252-5500
Attendance	(206) 252-5504
Fax	(206) 252-5501
Transportation	(206) 252-0900
Family Support	(206) 252-5515
Kids Club	(206) 524-7930

Upcoming Events April

29
Choir (K, 1, 2)

30
School Banking
Choir (3, 4, 5)
PTA A/S Enrichment

May

1
Math Club

2
WASL Ends
Chess Club

6
5th Graders Leave for Boston
Choir (K, 1, 2)

7
5th Graders at Boston
School Banking
Choir (3, 4, 5)
PTA A/S Enrichment

8
5th Graders at Boston
Math Club

9
All School Mtg.
5th Graders Home From
Boston

12
OVPTA Board Mtg. in Library

13
Choir (K, 1, 2)
OVPTA General Mtg. in
Cafeteria

14
School Banking
Choir (3, 4, 5)
PTA A/S Enrichment

15
Math Club
3rd Grade Camp Chaperones
Mtg. in Room 207

16
Bike to School and Work Day

20
4th Grade Camp Chaperones
Mtg. in Room 202

Eagle News Articles
If you are interested in placing an article in *The Eagle*, please contact Teresa Olmsted in the Main Office before noon on Thursday.

Full Agenda Scheduled for OVPTA Meeting May 13

The OVPTA has a full agenda scheduled for the last general meeting of the year on **Tuesday, May 13**. One of the items for the agenda includes voting on next year's slate of officers. The nominating committee has been busy talking with interested people to participate on next year's PTA board. The slate we will be voting on includes:

- Co-President: Lamar Hurd
- Membership Chair: Brooke Einstein
- Co-Treasurer:
- Secretary:

- Appointed positions for next year's board include:

- Allison Grover, Activity Co-Chair
- Joy Strzechowski, Activity Co-Chair

- Jen Johnson, Fundraising Chair.



We have a few openings as you can see. If you would like to volunteer on our Board, please call a member of our Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee includes Kim Ryseff (206-368-5610) or Lisa Behrens (206-365-2915).

The agenda also includes meeting our new principal, Mr. Justin Baeder and approving next school year's OVPTA budget. In addition, attendees will receive important information on savings for college. Childcare will be provided by Kids Club.

Jump Rope For Heart

Last week the students were introduced to some new jump rope skills that challenged their fitness. Ask a student what the basic bounce, side swing, pretzel or walking your dog looks like. I would like to thank all the Olympic View students who made time to collect money to donate to the American Heart Association. All donations are due by this Friday May 2nd. Please make sure the donation envelope is either handed to Mrs. Bruecher or put in her teacher mail box.

Kindergarten Math Game Work Parties

There will be a work party for volunteers to help prepare materials for kindergarten math games on **April 29th or May 1st from 10:30-11:30 am or 2:00-3:00 pm**. Games are an essential part of the Everyday Math program because they provide a fun way for students to practice their new skills. If you are available to help with this project please RSVP to Jane Osterman at jcosterman@seattleschools.org or call (206) 252-5509. Can't come at any of those times but want to help? We can set you up with a way to prepare materials at home or at school at a different time.

Last Call For Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found is so full we are unable to store any more items there! Please come and pick up your missing articles of clothing such as coats, sweaters and sweat-shirts. We even have several lunchboxes there! We will clear out the Lost and Found on Friday, May 16 at 4pm. Also, if you include names in your child's clothing, we can return them when left behind.