

# The Dolphin Wave

Oceanair Elementary School Monthly Newsletter

## A Message From Principal Rountree-Price's Desk

We are in the homestretch of the school year. As I reflect on this school year, I am just so impressed with the perseverance, flexibility, adaptability, and compassion that EVERYONE has exhibited. There is a lot to celebrate around the incredible partnerships that developed this year to best support our students and I want to thank each and every one of you for your part in that. We are truly better together! As we wrap up the year, we plan to end strong. Our staff are committed to continuing to love, support, and provide rich teaching opportunities to your students through the end. You can help us by keeping healthy routines in place. Things like getting a good night's sleep, waking up early enough to get to school in a timely manner, and eating healthy meals whenever possible are all going to help your child end the school year well. Thank you for your continued support! Lastly, as we head into the end of the school year, do stay in tune with announcements sent to families through email, posted on the school Dojo page, and sent home with your child. We have LOTS coming up--PreK, Kindergarten & 5th Grade ceremonies, SOL testing and other events from individual grade levels. Congratulations on an exceptional 2022-2023 school year! YOU DID IT!



## Koonce's Corner-News from OUR Assistant Principal

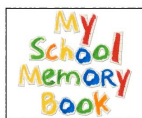
Parents and Guardians:

Dinner Program – Due to the building being closed for the summer, the last day for the Dinner Program will be Friday, June 9, 2023. There will be no Dinner Program available for the last week of school June 12, 2023 – June 16, 2023.

Testing (Grades 3-5) – Spring SOL Assessments will be completed during the month of May. SOL Assessments are state mandated assessments for all grades 3-5 students. The schedule is below. It is important that students get to school on time on testing days as well as eat breakfast and have a good night's rest the night before.

Grade 5 Reading – Tuesday, May 16  
Grade 3 Reading – Wednesday, May 17  
Grade 4 Reading – Wednesday, May 17  
Grade 5 Science – Thursday, May 18  
Grade 3 Math – Monday, May 22  
Grade 4 Math – Monday, May 22  
Grade 5 Math – Tuesday, May 23  
Grade 5 VA Studies - Wednesday, May 24

Arrival/Dismissal – The end of school year is near! Remember: Helps us maintain a safe and secure environment by arriving at 9:00 am. This will help avoid crowds, the weather, and will still give your child plenty of time to get breakfast and walk to class.



Yearbooks – We will be having yearbooks this year. Information will be sent home soon and posted on Class Dojo and the OES Website.



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"Home of the Dolphins"

May/June 2023

Mrs. Rountree-Price,  
Principal

Mr. Koonce, Asst. Principal

## Upcoming Events

**May 16-SOL Testing Begins**

May 22-Progress Reports

May 29-No School-



June 9-5th Grade Ceremony-  
Time TBD  
Pre-Kindergarten Ceremony  
2:00pm

June 12th-Kindergarten Ceremony  
(Time TBD)



June 13-16: Exams, Early  
Release  
for All Students

June 16: Last Day of School



June 19: Juneteenth  
NPS Closed

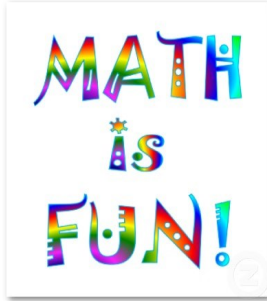


**Summer: NPS Closed Fridays**

June 29: Report Cards Distributed

# MATH NEWS

## Math at Home to Strengthen our Skills



**Kindergarten**-Practice counting by ones to 100, by 5s to 20, and by 10s to 120. Grab a collection of coins, name each coin and tell their value.

**First Grade**-Students have been learning about addition and subtraction. Practice various addition problems by grabbing a collection of items and then grab some more. Have students count the first collection and count on to add the second collection.

**Second Grade**-Get a collection of coins. Review the name of each coin and its value. Count the value of the collection of coins.

**Third Grade**-Students have been learning all about polygons. Have them name all the different polygons starting with 3 sided shapes and ending with 10 sided shapes.

**Fourth Grade**-Measurement is all around us. Continue having students measure the length of various items in the house with a ruler. They must know how to read a ruler to the nearest  $\frac{1}{8}$ th of an inch. When picking up items, estimate how many grams or kilograms it weighs. Can you estimate how many ounces or pounds?

**Fifth Grade**-Multiplication and division is a weakness for our friends. Practice your multiplication and division facts to 12 every night.

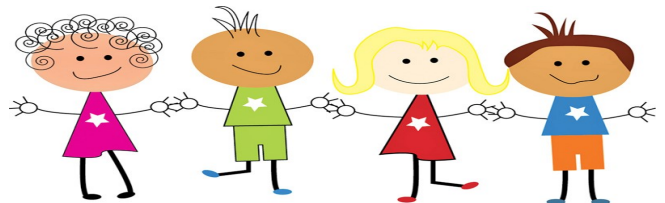


## PreK-4 News

Welcome to May/June PreK families. Boy did this year fly by in a flash! End-of-the-Year Assessments are in process and will be completed soon. You will receive results from these assessments in your child's End-of-

the-Year packet. Please plan to join us for an End-of-the-Year short program and refreshments on FRIDAY, JUNE 9 at 2:00pm in the multi-purpose room. Friday June 9 will be the end of the Pre-K instructional program. All belongings and some summer goodies will go home that day.

Thank you for sharing your littles with us! We look forward to seeing you soon!



## News You Can Use...



# May, June, July, August Birthdays!

May 8–Ms. Griffin  
May 13–Ms. Stokes  
May 16–Ms. Battle  
May 16–Ms. Eyler  
May 17–Ms. Butler  
May 19–Ms. Thompson

June 9–Ms. Fields  
June 28–Mrs. Ruiz

July 1–Mrs. Rosenfarb  
July 1–Mrs. Wynn  
June 7–Mr. Phillips  
June 21–Mrs. Flack  
June 30–Mrs. Winters  
June 31–Mrs. Watson  
June 31–Ms. Barber

August 12–Ms. G. Williams  
August 25–Mrs. Starett  
August 28–Ms. Grimstead



### Math over the Summer

**Grades K-5 will be able to access Edmentum. We encourage students to get on for at least 40 min a week.**

**Below are various sites for students to explore to build their mathematical understanding.**



If medication is kept at school for your child, please be advised that the end-of-year medication pick up will be on the last day of school May 16th before dismissal.

This is the LAST day of school and the nurse will not be at the school after this date. If medication is not picked up prior to June 16, 2023, it will be discarded.

Thank you in advance for your attention in this matter.



## Nurse News

## 5 TIPS FOR MAKING READING PART OF THE FUN!

### Lead by example.

Make reading a part of your own summer routine. One of the biggest factors that determine if a student will be a lifelong reader is seeing someone in their family set that example. Keep lots of reading material around the house and set aside 10-15 minutes a day for your child to read or you to read to them.

### Make a "Summer Fun Journal."

Combine your children's favorite summer activities with writing prompts. Have children pick out or craft a summer fun journal, and when you take them to their favorite restaurant, or on a trip to Grandma's, they can write a short entry in their journal afterwards.

### Read everything, everywhere.

Have your child read billboards, signs, and pamphlets. If you go on a trip to the park or pool, have children be responsible for reading park and pool signs, rules, and anything else that they see!

### Take your child on regular trips to the library.

Taking a trip to the library is a fun reading centered activity that children love. Make regular visits to the library and let children spend as much or as little time as they want picking out books to take home.

### When reading, ask your child lots of questions.

Reading lots of different books, silently or aloud with someone else, helps children build phonics skills and read fluently. And, talking about books, answering questions, and re-telling stories helps children develop their ability to understand language.



## Summer Programs 2023

**NPS 2023 Elementary Summer Elective Enrichment Programs Form – You can use this form to register your student in Camp Einstein (Grades K-4) or the Summer Arts Academy (Grades K-7)**

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