owen PTA News: It's "owl" Good!



August

August 11: New Student Orientation 6:30-7:30 pm for ALL new Owen students and families

August 17: School Tool Box Pick Up 4:00-7:00 pm in the Owen gym.

August 18: *PTA Ice Cream Social* - Teacher Meet and Greet/Supply Drop Off will be held from 2:30-3:00pm. More information will be sent from the school about this event. The PTA will host an Ice Cream Social in the backyard of Owen from 3pm-4pm. Don't forget your LOOSE CHANGE and donations for TEAM IPEF!

August 23: *FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL for 1-5th graders. Kindergarten Orientation* (30 minute time slots) for kindergarten students and their parents occurs this day as well-see registration packet for information.

August 24: First day of school for KINDERGARTNERS

August 30/31: *Dining for Dollars at Papa John's-*Mention Owen PTA when you order your pizza and the PTA will receive a portion of your bill. 1220 W Ogden, 630-305-7272

September 1: *First PTA meeting at 7pm!* Please join us in the LMC for our PTA meeting-everyone from the Owen community is invited. We will be discussing fall events and passing the budget for the school year (please note, only members can vote on the budget).

September 2: Last Day for the School Supply Drive: Please send in your donations!

September 8: Dining for Dollars at Granite City: Mention Owen PTA and a portion of your bill will go to Owen PTA. (1828 Abriter Ct, Naperville)

September 9: Spirit Wear Online Sale Due Date

September 24: OWEN CHILDREN'S RESALE FUNDRAISER 7:00am-1:30pm - Keep this date open so you can shop, sell and VOLUNTEER!!



PTA MEMBERSHIP

Have you turned in your 2016-17 PTA membership form? It is \$20 per family per year and it helps to offset the (over) \$40 the PTA spends on EACH student. The form can be found on the PTA page of the Owen website.

PTA Communication

- Monthly newsletters and weekly reminders by email. Until the district releases directory information to us in October, Mrs. Dailey will send the emails to the school community.
- Facebook Page-Owen Elementary PTA. Please "like" us on Facebook! Please note you have to actually visit the Owen Facebook page to see the information-we do not pay for it to be "pushed" into your feed.
- PTA Page on the Owen Website (go to Owen.ipsd.org, click on PTA link on the left).
- The **SignUpGenius link** at the bottom of the PTA page of the Owen website is where you sign up to volunteer! Go there now to see current jobs we have available

PTA Fundraising

- Owen Resale: The Children's resale is our largest fundraising event. We have a fall and spring Resale and sell children's clothing, sports equipment, toys, strollers, bikes, baby gear and MUCH MUCH MORE! How can you participate? You can sell, shop and VOLUNTEER (or do all 3!) WE NEED MANY VOLUNTEERS to make this event successful. Please consider donating a few hours of your time. We will have more specific information on how to sign up to volunteer in upcoming emails. Like "Owen Elementary PTA Children's Resale" on facebook for information.
- **Dining for Dollars:** We have Owen sponsored restaurant nights-how does it work? Super easy! All you need to do is eat at the participating restaurant and tell your server you are there for the Owen Elementary Fundraiser and a percentage of your bill will benefit the Owen PTA. We have about 2 restaurant nights a month-it's a great way to see Owen friends outside of school and make money for the PTA at the same time!
- **Box Tops**: Collect and send in Box tops from items you already buy and Owen will benefit. We will be sending reminders out for when to send them in, but please start saving box tops now!!
- **Membership dues**: Please be a member!



Owen Team IPEF

Owen has a great team of runners for the 2016 Naperville Marathon/Half Marathon in October. We will be working together as an Owen community to raise money for Team IPEF-half the money we raise will go directly to Owen School (not the PTA) the other half benefits District 204. We will be raising money for Owen Team IPEF in the following ways

- We are asking all students to bring in loose change to the teacher meet and greet/ice cream social-every little bit helps! There is still time for the students to do their own fundraising like lemonade stands to participate in raising money for their school.
- Naperville Kids Marathon 2016. If your child would like to be a part of Team OWEN IPEF, your child can sign up as a charity runner for \$36-Owen will receive \$26 toward our Team IPEF amount for each student charity runner. More information can be found at http://naperville.com/kids-marathon/
- The PTA will be offering a Fall Running Club as a Fundraiser for Owen Team IPEF. We will meet in the gym after school on Wednesdays in September and finish at 4:30. We will run around the sidewalk of the school and play running games in the gym and field behind school. COST of PTA Running Club for Team IPEF: \$10 for one child, \$15 for families with more than one child. Permission forms can be found on the Owen website and should be returned with payment (checks made out to Owen PTA) to the main office by September 2nd

Owen Elementary School-Great Futures Start Here!

We look forward to working with all of you to make this year the best possible experience for every Owen student. We strongly feel that parent involvement is a vital part of a successful educational experience for our students. Please let us know if we can do anything to help your child (and you!) have an "OWL-some" school year.

Team work makes the Dream work!



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