

# The Dolphin Digest

## Ocean Breeze Elementary

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Ocean Breeze Elementary School  
Our Quest; Personal Best

November 2019

Dear OBE Families,

November is a busy month at Ocean Breeze!  
Please mark your calendars, so you don't miss out on any of the fun.

Each month, we are required to perform safety drills in accordance with our emergency plan. During these drills, we practice our response to a variety of emergency situations including fire/evacuation, lockdowns, etc... We learn from debriefing after each scenario, and use this information to further enhance our readiness and response.

With Thanksgiving approaching, we, at Ocean Breeze, want to extend our utmost gratitude to families, PTO members, volunteers, community members, and our business partners for all you do for our school. The City of Indian Harbour Beach and its residents are truly second to none.

Our school continues to be a model of excellence due to the collaboration, comradery, and dedication shown by the students, staff, and community members. So in this month of Thanksgiving, we thank you for supporting us and our students.

Shelley Michaud  
Principal



### Veteran's Day Celebration

Please mark your calendars for a special event! On **Friday, November 8th**, we will be celebrating Veteran's Day with a special program beginning at 8:15 a.m. at our pavilion. If you or a family member are an active or prior member of a branch of the military, we hope that you will join us, so that we may honor you and all those who have served. If you, or a family member, are a Veteran and would like to speak at our Veterans' Day celebration, please contact me at the school via phone 321.779.2040 or email, [michaud.shelley@brevardschools.org](mailto:michaud.shelley@brevardschools.org). We look forward to honoring those who have served.



### Congratulations!!

2019-2020

Teacher of the Year: Keri Stites

Employee of the Year: Vanessa Breininger

Volunteers of the Year: Melissa Rivera and  
Joyce Hutchison



**Don't Forget To Fall Back!**  
**Daylight Savings Time Ends**  
**Sunday, November 3, 2019.**



### An Excerpt from the OBE Guidebook: Attendance pg. 1

\*Students must attend school each day and be on time. When a student is sick or has a family emergency resulting in an absence, a note from a parent or guardian, explaining the nature of the absence, must be sent to the teacher. If a child returns without a note from home, the absence will be considered unexcused. Attendance notification letters will be sent home with report cards for those who have higher than average absenteeism.

\*If a child fails to attend school without a legitimate reason, the child is considered truant. The school is obligated to turn the matter over to a truancy officer. The parent will be served with a legal warning.

\*When a pupil has been absent three (3) consecutive days and the school has been unable to ascertain the reason for the absences or at any other time, if deemed necessary by the school principal, the absences shall be investigated.

\*Absences must be reported and explained to the school by the parent or guardian of the pupil as soon as possible. Failure to report and explain the absence(s) shall result in unexcused absence(s). The final authority for determining acceptability of the reason for the absence(s) shall rest with the Attendance Appeals Committee.

All students must be in attendance a minimum of four (4) hours of instructional time to be considered present each day.

Parents whose students are in jeopardy of failing due to exceeding the nine (9) days per semester attendance policy may apply for an attendance appeal. Absences not counting toward the nine (9) days attendance policy are court dates, religious holidays, and chronic and extended illness. On days designated as religious holidays, students may request prior approval to be absent from school for personal and family observance.

**\*A pupil who misses more than nine (9) days within a semester may not receive a passing grade in accordance with Florida Statute.\***



### Math & Science Night And Ice Cream Social/Class Basket Event November 13th ~ 5:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.

Math & Science Night and the PTO's popular Ice Cream Social/Class Basket Event will be held on the same night, Wednesday November 13th!

Math & Science Night is a great family event as children and parents have an opportunity for real hands-on math and science experiences.

The Ice Cream Social/Basket Event will be held outside. The PTO will serve ice cream outside by the blacktop and the basket event will be at the front east side, across from our school. There will be over 30 baskets to choose from!

These are two favorite events for kids, parents and staff. We hope to see everyone there!

**Students must be accompanied by a parent!**





**Indian Harbour Beach  
Community Outreach  
November 18 ~ December 6**

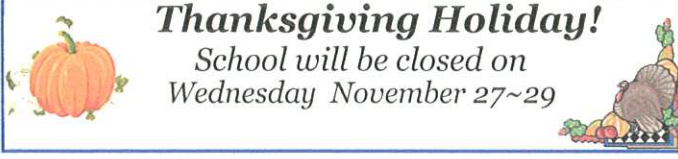
Every year the school participates in the Community Outreach Program with the Indian Harbour Beach Police Department. We will be collecting canned goods beginning November 18~December 6.

The City of Indian Harbour Beach coordinates with Ocean Breeze Elementary on the distribution of the food. Public Works will pick up the many boxes, and city workers and the IHB Police Department will sort and distribute the items. Ocean Breeze has participated in the Community Outreach for 19 years! In order to have a variety of items, we are asking the grade levels to bring in the following items:

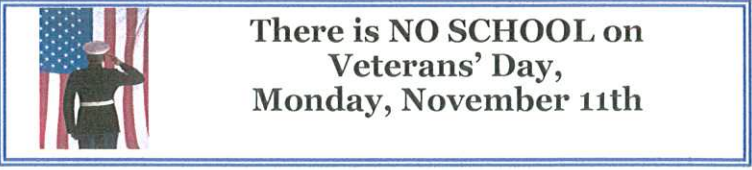
- Pre-K/Kindergarten – Cereals, Boxed Mixes
- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade - Rice, Pasta, Noodles, etc.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade - Peanut Butter & Jelly
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade - Boxed Side Items for Meals (Mac & Cheese, potatoes, etc...)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade - Soup and Crackers
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- 6<sup>th</sup> Grade - Canned Meats (tuna, beef stew, ravioli, etc...)



**Thanksgiving Holiday!**  
School will be closed on  
Wednesday November 27~29



**There is NO SCHOOL on  
Veterans' Day,  
Monday, November 11th**



~ November 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Early Release Day	2
3	4	5 Texas Roadhouse Spirit Night 	6 SAC 2:45 pm	7	8 Veteran's Day Program @ 8:15am  Early Release Day  BPS Parent Leadership 10:00am @ ESF	9
10	11 Veterans' Day Holiday For All 	12	13 Math/Science Night and Ice Cream Social/Basket Event @ 5:00pm 	14	15 Early Release Day 2nd Interim Ends PTO Meeting @ 9:30am	16
17	18 Food Drive Begins 	19 6th Grade Fieldtrip to KSC	20 Picture Retakes 	21 2nd Grade Music Sharing @ 6:00pm 	22 Early Release Day	23
24	25 Elementary Interims Posted on FOCUS/ Issued	26	27 Thanksgiving Break	28 	29	30