

# The Dolphin Digest

## Ocean Breeze Elementary

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Dear OBE Families,

It's hard to believe we're already heading into spring. I'm sure everyone is ready for spring break to get rested and ready for the final stretch of the school year.

As you may already be aware, flu A and flu B continue to impact our community. We continue to encourage good hand-washing practices and have stepped up our cleaning and sanitation of items frequently touched (i.e. tablets, computer keyboards, etc...) by multiple students. While we highlight the importance of attendance, we certainly understand and support keeping students who are sick home until they are fever/symptom free for 24 hours without medications.

We wrapped up February with a fabulous week of "Seuss-iful" spirit days, the Jog-A-Thon, and our PTO family dance party. It was wonderful seeing so many of our families all dressed up and making memories.

As part of our ongoing improvement process, Brevard Schools has an online parent survey open until March 13th (see information in the next column). Please consider completing the survey, so that we may continue to grow and improve.

The end of the school year is extremely busy and filled with field trips and classroom celebrations. Just a reminder that only those who are approved volunteers through the district volunteer system may chaperone these events. If you are an approved volunteer and are helping out in the classroom or with an event, be sure to sign into our Raptor system as a volunteer and not a visitor, as volunteer hours are tallied and credited to us by the district. We have such amazing support from our volunteers; we want to make sure all of your efforts are counted.

Have a wonderful and restful spring break!

Sincerely,

Shelley Michaud, Principal



### Spring Break!

**March 16th - March 23th**

*March 23 is a student holiday/teacher workday*

**Students return March 24, 2020**



**2020-2021**

### Kindergarten Registration

**March 23 ~ March 27**

Sign your child up for kindergarten! All parents of children who will turn five on or before September 1st need to register the **week of March 23rd!** Registering early allows us time to adjust staffing to ensure appropriate class size.

If you have a student entering kindergarten for the 2020-2021 school year, please join us for an informational meeting on **March 30th at 8:10 AM** in the cafeteria. During this event, families will have a chance to meet kindergarten staff, learn about our instructional program, visit the kindergarten classrooms, and tour the school building.

### FSA Testing Schedule Window

As you begin making appointments for your child in April and May, please try to avoid the following Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) testing dates:

<b>April 1</b>	<b>4th-6th Grade - FSA Writing</b>
<b>April 2-3</b>	<b>3rd Grade - ELA</b>
<b>May 5-6</b>	<b>4th-6th Grade - ELA</b>
<b>May 11-12</b>	<b>3rd-6th Grade - Math</b>
<b>May 14-15</b>	<b>5th Grade - Science</b>

**PLEASE!  
NOTE**

Students may not be checked out of school if they are in a testing session. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time, so they have the time to do their best on the test. Thank you for your support.


### Parent Survey 2020

Parents are invited to participate in the Brevard Public Schools parent survey. The survey is available to all BPS parents through Friday, March 13th. Parents can access the survey online at: <https://tinyurl.com/BrevardFE>.





March 2020						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Dr. Seuss Birthday  Online parent survey opens	3	4 2:45pm SAC	5	6 10:00am BPS Parent Leadership @ ESF  Early Release Day	7
8	9	10 District Science Fair Judging	11 District Science Fair Awards	12 K/1 Music Sharing 5:30pm -KG 6:15pm—1st	13 Early Release Day End 3rd 9 weeks  Parent survey ends. Have you completed it online?	14
15	16 Spring Break 	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Student Holiday/ Teacher Workday  BPS Registration week for NEW kindergarten students	24	25	26 Spring Pictures	27 PTO Mtg. 9:30am  Early Release Day  Report Cards posted to FOCUS/ Issued	28
29	30 Ocean Breeze NEW Kindergarten Orientation 8:10am	31				




**Thank you Pappagallos!!**

Ocean Breeze would like to send a big **Thank You** out to Mr. Rich from Pappagallos for generously providing Mrs. Reesh's class with a pizza and brownie party! Mrs. Reesh's class was the first class at Ocean Breeze to have 100% participation in the Count Down to Fitness!

**Count Down to Fitness!**


The Space Coast Countdown to Fitness is a free program organized by the Running Zone Foundation for all Brevard elementary and middle schools. Students can run or walk at home or school for a total distance of a marathon (26.2 miles) over the course of 10 weeks!

Every student that is registered will win prizes along the way! Ocean Breeze t-shirts will be the first prize! Students will need to register again, in April, to be in the Final Mile Race at Viera High School, on May 2nd, where everyone will receive a finisher's medal!



### Early Checkout Reminders

To check out a student, report to the office, show identification and sign the student out. We require parents to notify the office or the teacher in writing, when someone other than a parent will be picking students up. This **INCLUDES** those who are listed as emergency contacts on the registration form. Also, it is helpful if the parent notifies the classroom teacher ahead of time when a student is being checked out early. Please do not check students out after 2:00 PM (12:30 PM on Fridays), as this impedes the dismissal process. Students must be present four (4) hours of the instructional day to be considered present.



### Tardies!

When a child is tardy to school, the learning environment is disrupted for every student in the classroom. Students should head to class when the first bell rings at 7:50 AM. School begins at 8:00 AM, and students must be in their classrooms by the 8:00 AM bell to avoid being tardy. Please make every attempt to get your child to school on time, so that everyone can start the day on a positive and productive note.

**Late students must be signed in at the front office by a parent.**