

# Centennial Elementary

August 2017

*Let's Go On a Learning Adventure Together*

**Student Placement** Information on your child's teacher for 2017-18 went home in the June report cards. You can also find this information on your child's Skyward – Family Access account. The staff has done an excellent job of assuring that we have balanced classes.

In the event that you have questions or problems regarding your Family Access account, contact the Student Information Office at 360-596-6150. You may also e-mail [familyaccess@osd.wednet.edu](mailto:familyaccess@osd.wednet.edu). If you forgot your password or feel it has been compromised, let them know and a new one will be issued or call the school office and we will see if we can re-send the password.

## **Welcome Back to School Event**

**Tuesday, September 5**

**11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**

**COME & JOIN THE FUN!**

**STUDENTS:** Meet your teacher, see your classroom & bring your school supplies.

**PARENTS:** Fill out enrollment papers, meet your child's teacher, and see the classroom! Stop by the tables set up in the multipurpose room to purchase a directory, emergency kits, and Centennial spirit wear and water bottles. Remember to bring your checkbook.

The office will be open to receive paperwork, purchase school lunches, and answer bus questions.

**First Day of School** On Wednesday, September 6, students will meet their teacher on the playground blacktop, by the play shed between 8:50 – 9:00 A.M. Teachers will be holding signs with their name, for easy recognition. Students in grades 1-5 will then proceed to the gym for a short morning *Welcome Back to School Assembly*.

Centennial's kindergarten student's first day of school will be September 11. Our kindergarten families have already received a notification about the date and time of their September conference with their teacher. If you do not remember your appointment, call the school office at 596-8300.

## **School Hours**

<b>Doors Open</b>	<b>8:50 A.M.</b>
<b>School Starts</b>	<b>9:00 A.M.</b>
<b>School Dismissed</b>	<b>3:22 P.M.</b>

**Supply Lists** are located on Centennial's webpage at [centennial.osd.wednet.edu](http://centennial.osd.wednet.edu). Click on the link *Parent* to find the supply list. Copies are also available outside the school near the front doors.

**First Day Lunch Menu** Hamburger on whole-wheat bun, or garden burger, oven baked fries, organic & local choice fruit & vegetable bar and milk. The current month's menu can always be found on Centennial's and the OSD's websites.

## **Food Service – New Pricing**

Student Breakfast	\$1.60
Student Lunch	\$2.65
Reduced price K-3	n/c
Reduced price 4-5	.40 ¢
Adult Lunch	\$3.55
Milk	.60 ¢

Computerized lunch accounts are provided for each student in Full Day Kindergarten and grades 1 - 5. Parents can add money to the lunch accounts at any time. Please send a check or cash in an envelope to school labeled with your child's name, teacher and the amount.

## **Wednesday Collaboration Days**

Starting September 13th

**50 Minute Early Release Wednesday**

**Hours 9:00 a.m. – 2:33 P.M.**

**Shot Records, Immunizations and Medication** All missing immunizations, birth certificates, medication forms and medication need to be turned into the school office, prior to the first day of school.

**Bus Routes** If you have questions, visit the Transportation Department's website at [osd.wednet.edu](http://osd.wednet.edu) to get the latest bus route information or use the *Quicklink!* drop-down menu on the school district's main page, click on BUS ROUTES and then enter your address. Information will be provided regarding your bus stop. A bus driver will be available for questions at the Welcome Back to School Event. Please check your route to see the pick-up & drop off times.

## **Dates**

- 9/5** Welcome Back to School Open House 11:30 A.M.-1:00 P.M.  
(New families can come at 11:00 A.M. Classroom will be open at 11:30 A.M).
- 9/6** First Day of School - 9:00 A.M.-3:22 P.M. Grades 1-5
- 9/11** First Day of School – Kindergarten
- 9/13** Early Release Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-2:33 p.m.
- 9/19** Curriculum Night Grades K-5  
5:00-5:45 P.M. grades 3-5  
6:15-7:00 P.M. grades K-2
- 9/20** Early Release Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-2:33 p.m.
- 9/27** Early Release Wednesday 9:00 a.m.-2:33 p.m.
- 10/2** Individual Picture Day

**Credit Cards/Debit Cards** OSD does not charge a processing fee to our credit card users who make payments at the school buildings or online payments.

**Student Handbook and Monthly Newsletters Online** Starting in September, to save resources (paper, money and time) we are making only a few copies of the handbooks and the monthly Centennial newsletter. Centennial's Student Handbook will be available by mid-September online at [centennial.osd.wednet.edu](http://centennial.osd.wednet.edu). Centennial's monthly newsletter is posted on the school's website and sent to your email via Skyward-Message Center. If you need a hard copy let your child's teacher know. Time sensitive *Reminders/Flyers* will continue to go home in your child's backpack as needed.

**Parking Lot** The parent/visitor parking lot behind Portables 6 & 7 is not available due to the construction of the mini building. Parking will be limited this year. Staff will be parking in other areas so parent/visitor parking can be found in the main lot. Please have your children use the buses, if at all possible.

**Back to School – September Paperwork** At the Welcome Back to School Open House your child’s teacher will have a packet of forms for you to complete, This will allow us to have the most current up to date information on your child and family. Some of the forms are for you to keep/read and several need to be completed and returned to the school immediately.

**Student Pick-up** Families, please complete the *Afterschool Arrangements Form* (in the packet your teacher will give you) and return to the school/teacher immediately. We need to have a clear understanding how your child is going home the first week and for the school year.

Parents that are picking up their child at the end of the day can park their car in one of the parking lots and meet their child out front by the flag pole (see signs) or stay in your car and drive up to the “striped” area and pick up your child. (Think “Drive Thru”) Just a reminder not to park or pull into the BUS LOADING area (staff is parking in the grass area) or the private driveway. This is a safety issue.

**Changes** We are excited to welcome some new faces to Centennial. Please welcome the following teachers: Mrs. Patty Thies 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (C-4), Mrs. Cindra Dooley Kindergarten (A-4), Mrs. Laura Hendrix and Mrs. Amy Schmidzinsky will join our Resource Room team and Mr. Scott Nye is our new Assistant Principal.

We have a few grade and classroom changes too:

- Mrs. Balderston - teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in C-6
- Mrs. Olsen - teaching 2<sup>nd</sup> grade in C-5
- Miss Rethwill - teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in B-6
- Mrs. Miller - 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be in C-2
- Mrs. Miner - teaching 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in B-1
- Mrs. Peterson - teaching Reading in P-2
- Miss Evans - teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade in A-1

The 11 room, two story mini-building has just broken ground this summer. We will keep parents posted on the progress. Thank you for your patience.

**For Safety** the school doors are locked during the school day. Please use our school’s front entrance.

**Community Flier Distribution** OSD posts all flyers electronically to the school district website. You can find approved flyers in the “Activities & Service” section at: [osd.wednet.edu/activities\\_services/activities](http://osd.wednet.edu/activities_services/activities). A few copies will be available on the counters for those families without internet.

#### **OSD 2017-18 Notice of Nondiscrimination**

The Olympia School District will provide equal educational opportunity and treatment for all students in all aspects of the academic and activities program without discrimination based on race, religion, creed, color, national origin, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, marital status, the presence of any sensory, mental or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability. The district will provide equal access to school facilities to the Boy Scouts of America and all other designated youth groups listed in Title 36 of the United States Code as a patriotic society. District programs will be free from sexual harassment. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon request to individuals with disabilities.

The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies, reports of alleged sexual harassment, concerns about compliance, and/or grievance procedures: Jeff Carpenter, Title IX Officer, (360) 596-8544; Ken Turcotte, Section 504 and ADA Coordinator, (360) 596-7542; and Scott Niemann, Affirmative Action Officer and Civil Rights Compliance Coordinator, (360) 596-6193. All three individuals may also be contacted at 1113 Legion Way S.E., Olympia, WA, 98501.



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