



SEPTEMBER 2024

ORANGE BEACH ELEMENTARY

MAKO NEWS



Respect Trust Honesty Caring Integrity

ABOUT US:



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4900 South Wilson Boulevard

Ms. James art classes created this Mako Way artwork that is displayed in the lobby. Living the Mako Way is a daily vow to uphold the values of our school system. To be a Mako is to live a life that models respect, trust, honesty, caring, and integrity. We challenge all of our Mako families to be able to confidently declare “I live the Mako Way” each day.

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/10 Progress Reports

9/12 Board Meeting, Community Pep Rally

9/13 Homecoming

9/18 Fall Picture Day

9/23-9/27 5th SSS/Steam Field Trip

9/26 Kinder Johnny Appleseed Day & SK-6 trip to Alice in Wonderland

9/27 Duty Free Lunch sponsored by CoastAL and Parent Reps/PALMS

9/27 Terrific Kid Ceremony

10/2 Walk and Roll to School Day

10/4 Kona Ice

10/4-10/6 Freedom Fest

10/9 2nd grade Field Trip

10/10 Fall Break/staff PD Day

10/11 Fall Break

10/15 Report Cards

10/21-10/25 Red Ribbon Week (Life is a Movie, Film Drug Free) & 6th Steam/SSS FT

10/24 Terrific Kid

11/8 Veterans' Day Program

11/19 Holiday Photos

11/20-11/21 Parents' Day

12/9-13 ACAP Practice

12/17 Terrific Kid

12/18 Christmas Program

12/19 Grandparent's Day & end of first semester

12/20 early release day/Christmas party



Fall Picture Day is Wednesday, Sept. 18th. Students are allowed to dress out of uniform for their yearbook picture. A flyer will be sent home soon!



Save the Date!

PALMS September Meeting

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 24

Time: 3:30 pm

Location: OBES Cafeteria

BEST ATTENDANCE IN AUGUST



AUGUST				
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Total
K	96.8	95.6	95.3	95.9
1	96.5	97.0	98.6	97.4 ← <i>YAY!</i>
2	97.2	95.7	96.3	96.4
3	97.5	97.0	97.0	97.2
4	95.9	95.7	98.1	96.6
5	98.1	96.1	97.5	97.2
6	98.0	98.0	95.2	97.1

Our 1st grade had the best attendance in August with 97.4% of students being at school everyday. 3rd and 5th were so close! 1st graders will earn an extra recess and their teachers earned a pass to wear jeans for a week. We can't wait to see which grade level has the best attendance for the month of September.

HOMECOMING

HOMECOMING WEEK SEPTEMBER 9 - 13



SENIORS VS.
BABIES



DRESS LIKE A
TEACHER



USA! USA! USA!



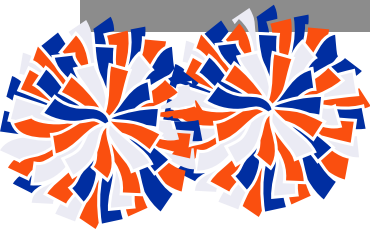
COLLEGE
GAME DAY



MAKO SPIRIT

*All students must dress in school appropriate attire on out of uniform days.

OBES students may dress up during Homecoming week. Please be mindful that students will participate in all school day activities (including PE) in whatever they have on, so please be sure it's appropriate.



OBES will host a tailgate before the Homecoming game on Friday, September 13th from 4:30–6:30 at the OB Sportsplex. More details coming soon!



Remind

We are excited to use Remind again this year. This is a great way for you to receive communication from your child's teacher and from the administration. If you are not receiving Remind messages please email Mrs. Tiffany Walters. twalters@orangebeachboe.org

Afternoon Car Line



It is helpful for parents to place car rider signs on a hanger on their rearview mirror. It's hard for teachers on duty to see your child's name when the sign is flat on the dashboard. Once your child is in the car, please take it down so that we know your car has been loaded.

Dress Code Reminders

Please be sure your child follows our dress code.

Pants

- Khaki or Navy Shorts or Pants (Denim is permitted).
- Khaki or Navy pants, shorts, jumpers, capris, dresses or skirts.
- Jeggings or tights are permitted under dresses or skirts, but not alone.



Volunteer Background Check

All of our volunteers and field trip chaperones are asked to use BIB's secure online system to request your background check. The cost is \$18. Please visit our school website or click this [link](#) to proceed to the Secure Volunteer Website.

Label Belongings

Please label all items with your child's name. This includes water bottles, lunch boxes, sweatshirts and jackets. This helps us return items in the lost and found to your child. Thank you!



ORANGE BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to frequent spills and the potential for damaging Chromebooks, we have decided to not allow cups with straws this year. (Stanley cups, Yeti cups, etc.) Students are allowed to bring a bottle of water or a water bottle with a lid that is leakproof. Please be sure your child's bottle is labeled with their name. Thanks for your cooperation.

A collection of water bottles in various colors and sizes, including a thumbs up icon in a green circle and a thumbs down icon in a red circle.

“RIDING THE READING WAVE” ACCELERATED READER



OUR GOAL FOR 1ST SEMESTER IS 8,000 BOOKS!

Last Year 2023-2024:

- 1st semester, we read 6,086 books independently at 80% or higher!
- 2nd semester, we read 8,537 books independently at 80% or higher!

Please encourage your child to read nightly to increase their independent reading stamina!

EXPECTATIONS:

- All 1st quarter goals were set for 1st-6th grade students using their i-ready data.
- Quarter 1 runs from 8/12-10/9
- Goals are entirely met if the student earns their points, has a testing average of 80% or higher, and reads within their Reading Range (ZPD).



GOALS/INCENTIVES:

- Our 1st-semester school-wide AR goal is 8,000 books. This is a huge goal and will take everyone encouraging their child to reach their AR goal and keep reading even after achieving it! The top 3 AR students from each grade level will be awarded at the end of the year during Awards Day!
- We will have a school-wide incentive to be held during PE in December.
- The total for each grade level will be displayed in the halls so students can see our progress. Please remember that 80% or higher on an AR test is a passed quiz, and we only count quizzes passed towards our 8,000 books goal.
- We will also offer a big incentive for students in grades 1-6 who earn their 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarter goals combined in May. Last year was a beach trip. More information will come on this end-of-the-year incentive!

