



# Forest Ridge Newsletter

**June 2017**

**Forest Ridge Elementary**



## Mark your Calendar!

**Thursday June 1-4th grade field trip to Discovery World 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

**Friday June 2-Kindergarten field trip to Green Meadow Farms 8:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m.**

**Friday June 2-5th grade field trip to Chicago Museum of Science and Industry.**

**Wednesday June 7- 4K Field Day**

**Thursday June 8-Field Day sponsored by the Forest Ridge PTO**

**Friday June 9- Last day of school**

**Friday June 9-5th grade "Clap Out" 2:50 p.m.**

**Tuesday August 8-Registration Day at Forest Ridge 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.**

## Principal's Message

Dear Forest Ridge families,

As the 2016-17 school year-end is fast approaching, I want to thank you all for all the support shown this past year. I am so proud of the achievements and accomplishments of our students and staff during our first year as Forest Ridge. The student successes have been made possible with your support and through the dedication of our outstanding staff who work to provide opportunities for all our students to learn and grow. I also appreciate the dedication and work of our PTO Board and all of the volunteers this past year.

I wish all the best to students who are moving on to different schools. Congratulations and good luck to our 5th grade students as they move onto middle school. We couldn't have asked for a better group of students both academically and behavior wise. Best wishes to Mrs. Rushing and Ms. Wroblewski as they move to new positions within the school district.

Have a wonderful summer! I want to wish you and your family a safe and enjoyable summer vacation. During the summer, please encourage your children to continue reading, learning and exploring. This will help your child to get off to the best possible start in September.

If you need anything throughout the summer, please feel free to email me at [e.mittag@ocfsd.org](mailto:e.mittag@ocfsd.org) and you can check out our website for more school information.

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## News & Announcements

### 2017-2018 Registration Date

The Forest Ridge Elementary School registration will take place on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 from 11:00 a.m - 7:00 p.m.

### New Summer Care Offering

New this year! Youth Programs will be providing full day care July 17th - August 25th. Sign up for one week or join us for all six! Online registration will open April 1st. Hard copy registration forms are being accepted now. For more information visit the Camp OC page of the district website.

### News from the Media Center

It's hard to believe that the school year is coming to a close. Over 18,000 books were circulated in the Media Center this year. We have some awesome readers here at Forest Ridge. Mrs. Potter's fifth grade class, Mrs. Flasch's third grade class, and Mrs. Wisniewski's fourth grade class were the top three classes to check out the most books this year. Friday, May 26th was the last day to check out books from the Media Center. When your child has returned their books for the year they will receive a PACK ticket for showing responsibility. Did you know that making sure your child reads all summer long will prevent them from losing important reading skills they learned this year? Click the link below for some awesome ideas to keep your child reading all summer long.

<https://www.smores.com/k20nu>

Mrs. Deleon  
Library Clerk

### **OCF School Board Recognizes the Forest Ridge Staff**



## PTO Information

Hello Forest Ridge Families,

At the PTO meeting on May 9th, elections took place for the PTO board for the 2017-2018 school year. Your officers are:

President: Amanda Maughan  
Co-Vice Presidents: Mandi Doers and Brad Schuster  
Secretary: Katie Becker  
Treasurer: Miria Lofy  
Historian: Sarah Johnson  
Volunteer Coordinator: Petrit Pula

The new Potbellys in Drexel Towne Square will host Forest Ridge on June 6th. Also, we will have fundraising "family nights" throughout the summer, including Orange Leaf, Georgie Porgies, and Oscars. More information will be coming home on these events.

The PTO is excited to sponsor Forest Ridge Field Day, held on Thursday, June 8th, 9am-2:30pm. This will be a unique community building event for our school.

Our fundraising efforts have allowed us to save approximately \$9,000 for our playground additions. We have a goal of \$15,000 to add additional equipment to both playgrounds. Playground lines including, hopscotch, racing lanes, and a kickball diamond have already been painted. The PTO is purchasing a United States map from Peaceful Playgrounds to also be painted on the playground. Balls, chalk, jump ropes, etc. will continuously be purchased by the PTO as needed.

Mrs. Maughan

### **PTO Links:**

[PTO Facebook](#)

[Forest Ridge PTO Website](#)

## **End of the Year Reminders**

### **Medications at School**

Important reminder: Please make arrangements for an adult to pick up your child's medications before the last day of school. All unclaimed medication will be disposed of.

### **Moving?**

If you plan to move this summer, please send a note to the office indicating your change of address and the date that you will be moving, as soon as possible. This is information that we need in planning the classes for the fall.

### **Lost and Found**

Please stop in after school to see if your child's items are on our lost and found cart. Anything left on the last day of school will be donated to charity.

### **Lunch Account Reminder**

All money will stay in the family lunch accounts to be used in the fall of 2017. If you have any questions, please call the Food Service Department at 768-6121.

### **Free/Reduced Meal Program**

All participants need to apply / reapply at registration on August 8th. Details will be mailed in the registration information packet.

### **Library Books**

All library books are now due in the Media Center. If your child/children cannot find their books, please send the cost of the book to Mrs. De Leon. Letters have been sent to families regarding lost books. In the event the book is found later on, return it and you will be reimbursed.

### **Class Assignments**

Class assignments for the 2017-2018 school year will be made after registration in August.

### **Report Cards**

Report cards, at the end of the school year, are mailed home. Please make sure that the Forest Ridge office has your current address so you receive them. Report cards will be mailed out the week of June 12th.

## **Give a Shout Out!**

Would you like to share your positive thoughts and give thanks for a job well done? Join us in celebrating the faculty and staff members at OCFJSD and the measures they take to make sure our students are engaged, challenged and inspired every day! Check out the shout outs we have received on the [Shout Out page](#) on the district website.



## **Forest Ridge Field Day**

On Thursday, June 8th we will have our 1st annual Field Day event at Forest Ridge. Students should wear comfortable clothes and shoes that day since we will be doing a lot of moving!



## **Board of Education tour of Forest Ridge-5th grade students present their work**



