

SQUIRREL TALES



FROM TINY ACORNS

MIGHTY OAKS GROW

NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL:

Mrs. Lil Folkner

Happy New Year, 2014!

Students returned to Seven Oaks on January 6, 2014 after enjoying their holiday vacation. Teachers and students resumed instruction for what will be a busy and productive second trimester. Winter MAP testing will begin the end of January for students in grades 2-5. Fourth and fifth graders look forward to completing and presenting their PACE and We the People projects. The finalists for the Seven Oaks Spelling Bee in grades 3-5 will compete for school honors on January 21 and the Science and Engineering Club will meet January 23, just to name a few of the activities. School life at Seven Oaks will continue to be engaging and productive and we look forward to the challenge!

Boise Philharmonic Concert at the Morrison Center

Students in grades 3, 4 and 5 will attend the Boise Philharmonic Performance on Wednesday, January 15, at the Morrison Center. Students will leave for the Morrison Center just after 10:00 with the performance beginning at 11:00. Ms. Graham has been preparing students with lessons on concert etiquette and orchestra instruments. Students will return about 1:00.

Parents, please sign and return your child's Permission Slip to their teacher by Wednesday, January 15.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Jan 21: Spelling Bee
6 pm

Jan 23: Teacher
Appreciation Lunch
(2nd & 3rd Grades)

Jan 23: Science &
Engineering Club 4-5 pm

Jan 30: Family Bingo Night
6 pm

Feb 4: PTA General
Meeting 4-5 pm library

Feb 12: Kindergarten
Orientation
10:30-11:30 am

Feb 27: Family Science
Night

Read Week: March 3-7

March 4: Kindergarten
Registration 9 – 3
By Appointment Only



PRINCIPAL NOTE CONTINUED:

HP Parents Donate 8 Slates to Seven Oaks

Access to technology helps students master 21st century skills. It also allows students and teachers to take education further, faster, while engaging learners and increasing learning. To address the need for technology, the HP Employee Product Giving Program encourages employees to support K-12 schools with equipment donations. Employees pay just 25% of the list price of an HP product and HP pays the remaining 75%. This year, The HP Giving Program contributed eight HP Slates to Seven Oaks Elementary for use by students in the classroom.

A big "Thank You" goes to Deb Garber, Seven Oaks parent and HP employee, for spear heading the giving campaign. Deb provided the gentle "nudge" to HP employees to make donations and provide Seven Oaks with these new slates!

Seven Oaks PTA and Meridian School District Partner to Purchase Classroom Promethean Boards, Clickers, and Activ Slates

The Seven Oaks PTA and Meridian School District partnered to purchase three Promethean Boards to be installed at Seven Oaks Elementary. Promethean Boards are an interactive whiteboard system design to focus attention and provide an interactive platform for teachers and students to engage in learning. In addition to the Promethean Board, a classroom set of Expressions Clickers, Activ Slates, and Wands will be provided to each of the three classrooms.

Teachers will receive Promethean Board training on February 5. Installation of the boards is being scheduled. Another BIG "Thank You!" to the Seven Oaks PTA for providing the matching funds to make this purchase possible!



SUPPORT OUR FUNDRAISER

Seven Oaks will be selling reusable bags & other eco-friendly products.

Each student will be able to share the **Mixedbag** catalog with neighbors, co-workers, friends and family.

There's something for everyone!

Fundraiser will begin February 10!



The Big Bee for the top two Spellers in each class for 3rd-5th grades will be on Tuesday, January 21st starting at 6:00pm. The Spelling Bee will be in the multi-purpose room. Join us for a fun evening!





TEACHER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Attention all **Second** and **Third** Grade Parents!

The Staff Appreciation Committee will be hosting a

FIESTA LUNCH

for our wonderful Seven Oaks staff on Thursday, January 23rd. We need your help to make it happen! Please sign up to bring something yummy for them to enjoy. Be on the lookout for an email with more details. Thank you for your help. The staff LOVES these lunches!

Melissa Russell and Ashlee Anderson
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Family Bingo Night!

Everyone is invited to attend
the annual Seven Oaks Family Bingo Night

Thursday, Jan. 30th from 6pm – 8pm

It's only \$1 per bingo card. Hot, delicious pizza from Pie Hole will be for sale, along with drinks and snacks. Come have fun with your friends and win some prizes!



Science & Engineering Club

Science & Engineering Club Meeting on:

Thursday, January 23rd from 4 – 5 p.m.

Come join us for a fun wildlife education program, Nose-to-Nose, presented by Idaho Fish and Game!

SEVEN OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PROUDLY PRESENTS



KINDERGARTEN

2014-2015



ORIENTATION
FEBRUARY 12, 2014
10:30AM-11:30AM
Seven Oaks Library

- Receive Registration Materials
- Learn about Seven Oaks Kindergarten
- Talk to the Nurse and Secretary
- Meet Teachers
- Tour Kindergarten Classrooms & School
- Sign up for registration appointment
 - WE OFFER FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN!
(\$100 deposit holds a spot)


Because this is an informational meeting, we ask that children do not come. Your child can see the school at registration.

Complete kindergarten registration packets can be found at www.meridianschools.org, filled out and brought with you to orientation accompanied by:

- Original Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residence (a utility bill)
- Immunization Record

REGISTRATION
MARCH 4, 2014
9:00AM-3:00PM
Seven Oaks Gym

After completed packets are turned in, you can make an appointment for you and your child to attend kindergarten registration.



At Registration, you can expect:
Vision Test
Fun Centers
Gift Bags to take home

Seven Oaks is a place where community is involved, learning is loved and character is promoted.