



April 14, 2017

Upcoming Events

4/17/2017: Square 1 Art Orders Due

4/20/2017: PSC Speaker Event

4/21/2017: Science Center Earth Day

4/25/2017: Success Night Book Fair

4/30/2017: Dist 102 Run

Good Friday Ogden Families!

No School Today!

A heartfelt thank you from all of us on the PTC Board for volunteering throughout the year. We are currently recruiting NEW Committee Chairs and/or Co-Chairs for next school year for the Run for District 102, Horticulture, Ogden Boys Night Out, Staff Appreciation, Red Sled Raffle, Room Parents, Yearbook, Jr Detectives Book Club, Variety Show, and Science Center. You will not be committing to reinvent the wheel. We have notes and contacts to guide you. Please contact **Amy Bloedorn** and **Katherine Haussermann** if interested.

Enjoy the long weekend.

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Please note the final PSC Speakers' Forum for the year: **"Parenting 9-12 Year-Olds: Navigating Tough Social Dynamics and Setting Your Children Up For Success"** presented by Anne Guinta, Psy.D. and Allie Burke, LCSW on Thursday, April 20 at 7:00 pm at Park Junior High Auditorium. Topics discussed:

- Change, conflict, exclusion in peer friendships
- Guiding your child through social/athletic/academic competition
- Not feeling "cool enough"/finding the right friend groups
- Social media stress
- Avoiding "helicopter parenting" and empowering your child through their struggles

The April **PSC Resource Spotlight** is on **PARENTS**: How can parents support each other, focus less on competition and resolve conflict? Further, can parents model inclusiveness enough that our children bully and exclude less?

A mom of a 6th Grade Girl, seeking to support other parents, replied to the last **Question of the Week - QOTW: "How do you guide your child if they are experiencing exclusion among their peer group?"**

"My advice to them always has been, 'Go where you are loved. Surely, there will be arguments and disagreements with some friends and those are worthy to work through. However, when you are dropped, let them go their own way, find your new tribe, it's ok.'"

Click [here](#) to read the entire piece. Click [here](#) to comment further.

Quick Links

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Come out for School Success Night and stay for the Book Fair! The Spring Book Fair will be held in the Ogden gym on Tuesday April 25th from 6-8 pm . Scholastic Books will have plenty of titles on hand for kids of all ages. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time to help make the fair a success! Click [HERE](#) to volunteer.



PTC Fundraisers

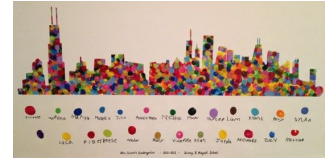
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Art Auction at Success Night!

What is the art auction...well...each classroom has worked with Mr. Noffsinger on an art piece to be auctioned off at Success Night! Please make sure you check out all of the fabulous pieces that will be on display and ready for competitive bids! Auction will take place by the main office.



Volunteers are needed to frame art work and help with the set up and closing of the auction. Please contact [Erika Vavrik](#) if interested 773-655-3368.

We Collect



Square 1 Art Fundraiser - Orders Due April 17th

Thank you to the families who have purchased a memorable keepsake of their child's artwork. A portion of the sales comes right back to Ogden and supports our wonderful arts curriculum.



Haven't purchased yet but want free shipping? There is still time! Send in the order form and payment to your child's teacher by **Monday, April 17th**. You can also order online or by phone if that is more convenient (see catalog for instructions).

Lost your child's catalog or have other questions? Contact [Andrea Strudeman](#).

Orders are expected to be in around May 5th.

Science Center Parent Enrichment Council

The Science Center Parent Enrichment Council Presents:

2017 Spring Science Programs for
Kindergarten, Grade 1 & Grade 2

Each program will be held at the Science Center
930 N Barnsdale Rd, LaGrange Park

Cost per student \$10.00

Second Grade -- Kitchen Chemistry
Wednesday April 26th 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Second grade students will test a variety of snack foods for sugar content and learn the science of making ice cream and then enjoy!

First Grade -- Water Wonders
Wednesday May 3rd 3:00 - 4:30 pm

First grade students will explore water and how it travels, explore how water towers work, and



race the drops in a maze.

Kindergarten -- Nature is Nifty

Wednesday May 10th 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Kindergarten students will learn about the ladybug and make a ladybug home, make insect collectors, and explore the outdoors in our butterfly garden.

Confirmations will be sent via e-mail. Questions: Contact the Science Center at 215-6405 or email [Virginia Hohl](mailto:Virginia.Hohl@duke.edu). Please complete the attached [form](#).

Parents are welcome to stay and help or may choose to return for pick up promptly at session's end. Program space is limited. We will try to accommodate every request but will employ a district-wide lottery if necessary.

Please drop your form off at the Science Center or turn it in to your child's homeroom teacher who will forward it to us via the interoffice mail. Registration is due by **Wednesday April 19th**.

Science Center Earth Day Family Night - April 21st

Taking Care of Our Fresh Water

Friday, April 21st

6:30 - 8:00 pm



Allen P. Zak Science Discovery Center
930 North Barnsdale, La Grange Park

Open House, No registration required.

Your family is invited to explore the Science Center while learning about water conservation, habitat loss, and other issues that effect our Great Lakes and watershed.

- Learn ways to keep our water clean from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District.
- Design a water filter, look for microscopic organisms, and test water.
- Make a rain gauge for your yard.
- Learn about the Blanding Turtle project from DuPage County Forest Preserve.
- Learn how you can prevent run-off in your backyard from DigRightIn.
- How can you be a citizen scientist?

Run for 102 - Race to the Finish - April 30th

Calling all runners and walkers! Not only will this be a fun family event, there are raffle prizes to win!

Register for either the 1Mile or 5K, Ogden students will be eligible for gift certificate for La Grange businesses. One winner per grade!



Join us for the Run for 102 Race to the Finish 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run at 8:30am on Sunday, April 30, 2017. The Start/Finish line will be at Ogden Avenue School and travel a course through the scenic streets of La Grange Park.

Don't want to run? Volunteer! We have a variety of volunteer slots available. Please consider volunteering!

Any questions please contact [Michele Grubish](mailto:Michele.Grubish@duke.edu) or [Meghan Radtke](mailto:Meghan.Radtke@duke.edu). To register or volunteer: www.runfor102.org.

Proceeds benefit School District 102 schools: Barnsdale Road School, Congress Park, Cossitt Avenue, Forest Road, Ogden Avenue School and Park Junior High.

CPCFRO - Ogden Board Member OPEN SEAT!

CPCFRO is an "All Volunteer" District 102 sports league that introduces that game of volleyball and basketball to our 5th & 6th grade kids. For most of the children who participate, this is their first exposure to playing each sport in a formal setting.



The organization is made up of the four elementary schools within the district (Congress Park - Cossitt - Forest Road - Ogden), where each school must provide two board members to the organization. We are currently seeking a new Ogden board member to fill an open position on the board that would be seated June 1.

Email [Dustin Grubish](#) for additional information.

Job Duties:

- 2 year term
- Attended 3-4 Board Meetings per year
- Assist with season registration (Fall/Winter)
- Assist with Ogden team player assessment night
- Field Ogden parent general league questions

Ogden Avenue to Host Legacy Summer Sports Camp

It's time to think warm thoughts! This June, Legacy Sports Camp will be coming to Ogden Avenue for 2 weeks of exciting summer sports camp action!



Legacy will lead the kids in dozens of exciting games from their Multi-Sport Madness program Monday - Thursday on June 12-15 and June 19-22. The co-ed camp is open to students currently in grades 1-6. Grades 1-3 will run 9:00AM-12:00PM and Grades 4-6 will run 12:15PM-3:15PM. Camps have limited capacity so first come, first serve! Register today at www.legacysportscamp.com and select 'Summer Camps'. [Click here](#) for more details.

Questions? Please [email us](#) or call/text (312) 969-0215.

Ogden PTC is on Facebook!



The Ogden PTC Facebook page is a way to get updates, connect with other Ogden Parents and share comments and ideas. Let us know what you would like to see on the Facebook page, and how often you want to see updates. Share your enthusiasm or just let us know that you "like" us! [CLICK HERE](#) to join the group!

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