

Dear OPA Parents/Guardians,

March is coming in with lots of activities and events. Our before and after school clubs are going strong. Thank you to all teachers and parent volunteers who offer these clubs to our students.

OPA	Choir	Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	
	Origami	Thursday	3:15 p.m.	
MOPA	Dance	Monday	3:30	
	Math Club	Monday	7:00 a.m.	
	Anima	Monday	3:15 p.m.	
	Soccer	Tuesday & Thursday		3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
	Guitar	Thursday	3:30 p.m.	
	Mandarin Class	Friday	3:30 p.m.	

March Calendar

3	Dr. Seuss Evening, 6:30 p.m.
5	Math Olympiad, Grades 7 & 8
6	Math Olympiad, Grades 4 – 6
	Science Fair, Evening Awards, 6:00 p.m.
11	OPAPO Board Meeting, MOPA library, 4:30 p.m.
18	Utah State Math Fair @ U of U for secondary students
	Boots 'n Bunkers
	State Science Fair, Grades 6 – 8
20	State Science Fair, Grade 9
21	Minimum Day, dismissal @ 12:45 p.m.
	End of 3 rd Quarter
25	OPA Recognition Assembly
26	MOPA Recognition Assembly
27	Minimum Day, Conferences, 1:00 – 8:00 p.m.
28	No School for students, Conferences, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Please encourage your student to read independently on a daily basis. According to a National Endowment for the Arts study, the amount of time spent reading impact reading achievement. We understand this correlation, but the chart below will show you how much reading time impacts our students.

Amount of Time Spent Reading and Reading Achievement of Fifth Graders

Percentile Rank on Standardized Test	Minutes of Independent Reading Per Day	Estimated Number of Words Read Per Year
98	90.7	4,733,000
90	40.4	2,357,000
70	21.7	1,168,000
50	12.9	601,000
20	3.1	134,000
10	1.6	51,000

Twenty minutes a night is not too much to ask in light of the impact this activity has on your student’s reading achievement! Proficiency in reading opens doors of opportunity.