#### COUGAR CHRONICLE

#### APRIL 2018



4/2 - 4/6 SPRING BREAK Enjoy!

**4/9 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE PLAY** Practice continues.

4/10 DRY CREEK ACADEMY First Day of Spring Session.

## 4/11 SPRING PICTURES

Bell Photography will be taking spring pictures starting at 8 am.

4/12 PTC MEETING 10:00 am

## 4/13 6<sup>th</sup> IMMUNIZATIONS

Lincoln County Public Health will be offering a free tDap clinic

4/16 WT-TOPP Window opens

4/25 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> ORCHESTRA Concert @ 6:30 pm

#### 4/26 & 4/27

## 4<sup>th</sup> GRADE FIELD TRIP

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will b going to the Oregon Trail Museum in Montpelier.

4/30 TEACHER REQUESTS DUE

5/1 LAST WEEK Of Dry Creek Academy

## Change @ Osmond Daniel Barnes is our New Principal!

I am so excited to serve as the new principal of Osmond Elementary School! I love



our school and I am fully committed to supporting our students, parents, and staff in a collaborative pursuit of excellence. Outside of school I love spending time with my family, duck hunting, music, "Calvin and Hobbes", and eating delicious food like tacos and Fruity Pebbles (separately of course).

I started my career as a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher in the buzzing metropolis of Hamer, Idaho where I learned to really love helping kids learn and grow. In 2008 I began teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Madison Middle School in Rexburg, Idaho. I have fond memories of my 6<sup>th</sup> grade classroom and will never forget

those kids and teachers I worked with so closely. Then in 2011, my family and I moved to Star Valley where I have taught 4<sup>th</sup> grade for the last 7 years.

It's been here at Osmond that I've truly learned how teachers, parents, and staff should work together in a positive environment to help children be successful and maximize their potential. I've learned from master educators the art of effective teaching and learning. Moving forward, we will continue to focus on what makes Osmond a great school: relationships, effective classroom instruction, and empowering students with lifelong skills necessary for continuous success. At Osmond every student is valued as we work together for high levels of achievement.

If you've never met me, I am what some may call "vertically challenged". However, I can promise for what I lack in physical stature, I make up for in heart! I believe in our students, our amazing staff, and appreciate the wonderful support of parents and the community. I believe that together we can help our students accomplish great things in their journey for excellence. Go Cougars!

## Parent Input for

### Student Placement

The time for next year's class placement is fast approaching. If you are considering making a suggestion for teacher placement for your child, remember to use the *application form* that is available on the website or in the office. Please consider the following:

• Every classroom in each grade level offers the same exposure to the curriculum.

When classroom assignments are made for the following year, it involves a time intensive process to make sure students are considered individually for how they will succeed based on teaching style, learning style, interaction with peers in the classroom, student strengths, and teacher strengths.
We cannot consider more than one request per student.

• Parent input is one determining factor and **not the** determining factor in placement. While we work hard to consider parent input, **placement from parent input is not guaranteed**. The above listed factors are taken into account when it comes to placing all students in classrooms.

• Parent input is due in the office by the end of the school day on *April 30, 2018*. Any requests received after that date, including requests made once the class lists have been posted, will not be considered.

•Teaching assignments are listed on the back of the newsletter!

#### More Change @ Osmond

### 2018-2019 Teaching Assignments

Osmond Elementary has had several teachers with a change in assignment within our building and several transfers from other buildings. 4th grade teacher, Ileene Jensen, transferred to Title 1, 5th grade teacher, Crystal Engen is the new Gifted and Talented instructor for the district and with Daniel becoming principal, we are in the process of interviewing replacement classroom teachers. We are excited to welcomeTara Frome and Kade Erickson from Etna Elementary to our team.

Following are	our grade	e level teams:
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4th	5th	6th
Jeff Whitney	Michelle Miles	Jeff Greenwood
Tara Frome	Earl Jenkins	Ehryn Thomson
Kathleen Carlisle	Bobbi Coates	Jed Johnson
Breanne Henscheid	Adam Robbins	Kade Wilkes
Joseph Semadeni	? Interviewing	Drue Hokanson
? Interviewing		Kade Erickson
Special Ed -	Special Ed -	Special Ed -
Jake Jensen	Danny Robinson	Russell Gardner

There are several programs in Lincoln County School District #2 that have been paid for with 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) money, including: Swim-N-Learn, GOFASA, Mastery Camp, Gearing Up for Kindergarten Preschool, Morning Fitness, and STEM classes offered through Etna Enrichment Express and Dry Creek Academy. We **do** have funding to continue these programs in 2018-2019, but it may not be available after that. If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Christine Turner (cturner@lcsd2.org, 307-880-2583).

## 6th Grade Spring Play - TWACKED

# A Fractured Tale of Frogs, Folks and Falling Skies

Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Cram, and Mrs. Hale have consented once again to direct Osmond's talented 6<sup>th</sup> graders with their spring play. They have chosen a *tickle your funny bone* production!

Talking frogs? A falling sky? A town full of confused folk? What is really happening and who can answer these questions? The library? The coach? The mayor and town council? The sweet and smart-thinking Rachel? With song, dance, and a fast-moving script, *Thwacked* unfolds to reveal these and many other delightful characters as they attempt to unravel this particular mystery in a fairytale world.

You are invited to attend on Tuesday, May 8. There will be a dress rehearsal presented to our student body at 1:00 PM. Our evening performance for family will be at 6:00 PM. Come and enjoy a delightful presentation!

