Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year!  
A message from our Principal Dr. Williams...

“Education is a shared commitment between dedicated teachers, motivated students and enthusiastic parents with high expectations” ~ Bob Beauprez

Hello Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. On behalf of the staff at Oxon Hill Elementary School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! The school year will undoubtedly be a unique one as we all adjust to operating in a virtual space. As your principal, I want to assure you that the staff and I are all working together to provide a challenging and positive academic environment for your child in accordance with the PGCPS Reopening Plan. We are certainly looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children achieve their highest potential. We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school especially during these times. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children’s success and want you to know that we will meet every challenge and celebrate every victory together!

I would like to welcome our new students and say hello to our returning students. I hope you had a great summer and are ready to embark upon a new year of learning. It is my hope that you continued your learning over the summer as much as possible. At Oxon Hill Elementary the expectation remains that students master the content taught at every grade level preparing them for College and Career Readiness. With this, educators have spent time in various professional development opportunities as well as collaborative partnerships as they prepare for students return.

Oxon Hill Elementary Schools’ performance data has been trending upward! We MUST keep the momentum...even with the changes that have come about. Together, we can do this! Our School Performance Plan will continue to guide our work. Specifically three goals have been established for our school:

1. Increase in Student Attendance
2. Increase in Reading Proficiency across all grades
3. Increase in Mathematics Proficiency across all grades

We ask that you guide and support your child’s learning by ensuring that he/she:

- Attends zoom classes daily and arrives on time, ready for the day’s learning experience
- Completes all class and homework assignments given by teachers
- Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject
- Knows that you expect him/her to succeed in school
- Monitor your child’s use of technology
We stated in our mission, that we will focus to ensure that all students are: made to feel important; expected to do well; engaged in challenging and meaningful work and; supported by a unified community of teachers, parents, and other involved adults then they can achieve at high standards.

NEW STAFF:
Each new year brings positive change. This includes a few additions to our staff. We are delighted to welcome: Ms. Artis and Mrs. James to Pre-Kindergarten; Mrs. Watson to Kindergarten; Mrs. Bartley to First Grade; Mrs. Kamara to Third grade CSEP; Ms. Ellis to Second Grade CSEP; Ms. Adams to Fourth Grade; Mr. Forsythe to PE; and Ms. Bergen to Music!

SCHOOL HOURS:
School begins promptly at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 3:15 p.m. Please make sure your kids log on to google classroom 5 minutes prior to the start of the day!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR:
- Chromebook distribution: Students in Grades 1 through Grade 5 ONLY!!!. Parents can pick up chromebooks from the school on Monday, August 17, 2020. If you received a Chromebook back in the spring please use that one for instructional purposes this school year!
- Students in grades Prekindergarten and Kindergarten will receive IPADS. We will inform parents once they arrive to the school.
- Pick Up of Instructional Materials: Student text books will be distributed the third week in August. Parents will be notified of the specific day once the textbooks arrive to the school. PLEASE make sure you have Class Dojo as this will be used to communicate with parents.
- Friday, August 28, 2020 at 9:00am Mock / Orientation Day – Opening Day Procedures The school will provide parents with the zoom link to join the orientation meeting.
- Wednesday, September 16, 2020: Back to School Night will be held at 6:30pm.

SCHOOL MEALS:
All schools will serve as meal sites and offer twice a week pickups, similar to the model we used this spring.

COMMUNICATION:
We will be frequently communicating with you via Emails, Class Dojo and Google classroom. Please keep monitoring those modes of communication for any updates.
Thank you to all who are helping prepare for the new school year. Your commitment to ensuring that Oxon Hill Elementary remains a celebrated and successful school is inspirational. I eagerly look forward to greeting students and families again. It remains an honor and privilege to serve as your principal. Together, I know we will make this school year one of growth and achievement for all students we serve.

Sincerely,

Dr. Wanda C. Williams
Principal

Grades K-2
- Scissors
- Pencils with erasers
- Pencil Sharpener
- Ruler
- Glue Bottle or Glue Stick
- Colored Pencils and or crayons
- Water Based Markers
- 3 Ring Binder (to be shared for all classes)
- Loose Leaf Lined Paper
- Composition Books or Spiral Notebooks
- 3-Hole Pocket Folder
- Highlighters
- Post it Notes or Index Cards

Grades 3-5
- Scissors
- Pencils with erasers
- Pencil Sharpener
- Ruler
- Glue Bottle or Glue Stick
- Colored Pencils and/or crayons
- Water Based Markers
- 3 Ring Binder (to be shared for all classes)
- Loose Leaf Lined Paper
- Composition Books or Spiral Notebooks
- 3-Hole Pocket Folder
- Highlighters
- Post it Notes
- Index Cards
- Pens

Attached is the Student Supply list link: https://www.pgcps.org/school-supplies