Fall Festival - a fun outdoor event at the end of October for students and their families, with lots of activities including a Trunk or Treat.

Craft Show – tables are purchased for the sale of arts and crafts items, which takes place in November. If you are interested in table space, please contact the OSO for information.

Scholastic Book Fair – Proceeds from the sales support the OSO programs and activities for the children.

Pancake Breakfast – usually takes place close to Valentine's Day, for friends and family, served in the cafeteria.

School Play – usually takes place at the end of March. The tryouts are in December for all grades with speaking and non – speaking parts.

Pasta Supper - for friends and family, served in the cafeteria by the 5th graders.

Teacher Appreciation Day – the OSO recognizes the efforts of the teachers, providing them with a lunch and organizing classroom volunteers to cover for them.

Field Day – takes place in June, a fun – filled day with lots of activities throughout the campus.

Fifth Grade Promotion – A separate committee organizes a special party and yearbook for the graduating 5th grade class.

Welcome To Oswegatchie School! Oswegatchie School Organization (OSO)

The OSO is a parent/teacher organization, which provides support for field trips, assemblies, and extracurricular activities by fundraising and through the efforts of parent volunteers.

The OSO is similar to a PTA, however dues are not charged and the OSO is not affiliated with any national organization.

Meet the Board

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How To Get Involved

Come to the meetings - held at 6:30 p.m. on the following Tuesdays in the school library:

The dates are:

September 8 January 12 April 12 October 13 February 9 May 10 November 10 March 8 June 7

December 8

Your input and new ideas are always welcome. Further information is available on the school website. Also the weekly school newsletter is posted on the website every Friday. http://www.waterfordschools.org/osw/site/default.asp

Help out in the classroom - volunteers are also needed in the library and to help out in the art room.

Chair or Co-Chair event – be responsible for organizing an event (don't worry it doesn't mean that you're on your own – there are always plenty of volunteers to help out.)

Contact the OSO if you have a **special talent** that you'd like to share with the school, expertise in a subject that's related to the grade - level curriculum, a sporting activity or a particular skill such as knitting or jewelry making.

Finally, **parent buyout**, if you don't have time to volunteer or are unable to take part in any of the events, you can still contribute to the OSO by making a monetary donation.

OSO Fundraising:

Square 1 Art BJS Memberships

Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Target REDcard Take Charge of Education

Restaurant Dine - in's A.C. Moore Five Below Amazon Smile

Box Tops for Education CT Science Center Tickets
Capri Sun Recycling Ink Cartridge Recycling

Details of these and more fundraising activities run by the OSO will come home in your child's communication folder.

OSO Funded Activities:

Assemblies and Guest Speakers – topics may range from antibullying to magic to poetry writing.

Classroom Teacher Fund – enables the teachers to buy additional classroom materials beyond those covered by the school budget.

Field Trips – the OSO allocates each grade an amount which teachers are then able to use towards field trips.

Movie and Game Nights – every month the OSO offers a movie/game night.

Sports Programs – Basketball for grades 2-5, Winter Movement (6-week fitness program combining dance and yoga for all grades), & Healthy Kidz Club (11-week nutrition and fitness program with weekly challenges for all grades).

Back – to – School Barbecue – outdoor picnic for students and families held at the beginning of the school year.

Back – to – School Night - this is an opportunity for parents to meet teachers at the beginning of the school year.