






## OLINDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

In a previous newsletter I spoke about the importance of teaching our children communicating skills. Most parents and teachers would probably agree that today's children are extremely verbal – sometimes it seems excessively so. Unfortunately, this verbal ability to communicate is not always accompanied by the ability to put words into writing and the written language skills of children have been an area of concern for some time. To address this concern, the teachers have focused on enhancing our students writing skills. Many teachers continue to use structured writing programs like “Step up to Writing” and Google Classroom as well as other 21st century learning tools to allow students to sharpen this skill. A child's writing and keyboarding skills directly affect a child's performance on our upcoming State Testing for our 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students.

If we can provide you with additional information or assistance, please contact your child's teacher or call me @ 714.528.7475. I am also available via email at [rrendon@bousd.us](mailto:rrendon@bousd.us) and I will do my best to assist you or your child in any way I can.

Thanks for your continued support and Go Eagles!

Mr. Rendon  
Principal

*“Work Hard – Be Nice”*