

# Ocean City Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

At the Ocean City Primary School, there has been an ongoing support group called “Banana Splits.” This group is for any child whose family structure has changed due to divorce, separation, death, and/or living with grandparents. Banana Splits is designed to help children deal with any type of split in their family. This support group encourages children to explore their feelings and to understand that they are not alone. The students learn from others in similar situation and can talk openly and not feel embarrassed. Students will enjoy attending the sessions and making new friends. The students will engage in discussions, play therapeutic games and make crafts.

The sessions will be held in the counselor’s office during lunch once month on Wednesdays beginning in November. If you are interested in having your child participate in this support group, please return the attached permission slip. Additionally, feel free to contact me with any questions or relevant information regarding this group and/or your child; please call Joel Dougan at extension 6501.

Sincerely,

Joel Dougan  
Guidance Counselor

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I give \_\_\_\_\_ permission to participate in the support group called “Banana Splits.” My student is allowed to bring his lunch to the group and participate in the discussions, games and crafts.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_