



The Oak Leaflet

A Publication of the Oak Street School PTO



UPCOMING DATES

Monday, 10/17 - BOE Meeting

Monday, 10/19 – Signature Project, grades K-5

Tuesday, 10/25 – Friday, 10/28 - 1:00 dismissal (parent teacher conferences)

Monday, 10/31 – Halloween Parade

LIBRARY A AND B WEEK SCHEDULE

All Oak Street students in grades 1 - 5 have library every other week. This is the same for the computer lab as well. This schedule allows both Mrs. Philhower and Mrs. Tadenev time to work with all grade levels on curricular projects throughout the year. We have A week and B week. By now, your child should know which week they have library. To help assure that your child brings book returns on their library day, please see the link below. You will see the A and B week schedule through November. Please mark your calendars so that your child can be prepared for library each time their class visits! Thanks so much for your help!

<http://www.oncoursesystems.com/school/webpage.aspx?id=324597&xpage=851123>

A REMINDER:

Children should not bring special items/toys with them to school with the intended purpose of playing with these items during recess. This would include special "collectible" bracelets, trading cards and hand held electronic games. Thank you for your understanding.

RACE TO NOWHERE

Have you missed the film Race to Nowhere and want to see it? Well, your chance is here. "Race to Nowhere" will be re-screened at 7pm, November 3rd in the Ridge PAC. Tickets will cost \$10 beforehand, \$15 at the door. See this week's Friday Folder for more information.

COLONIAL DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Come to a brief meeting on Monday, October 24th at 9:30am at the home of Heather Lusardi. We will be discussing the events planned for our 4th graders on April 20th - Colonial Day. Volunteer in areas such as Music, Crafts, Cooking, Apothecary, Toys & Games, Museum and much more. The event is a full day and needs many volunteers to make it a success. 3rd grade parents whom are interested are welcome to get a head start for next year. Email Heather Lusardi at HeatherL1@optonline.net to rsvp for the meeting.

A+ SCHOOL REWARDS

Welcome to another year of A+ School Rewards. Starting October 8, 2010 through March 25, 2011, Oak Street School will have the opportunity to earn cash through Stop&Shop A+ School Rewards Program. All you have to do is log on to www.stopandshop.com/aplus to register online OR dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone. After you register your card, each shopping trip at Stop&Shop using your Stop&Shop Card earns CASH for our school! Each month, the amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the Stop&Shop website. You can track the amount of points you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt and online when you create an account at stopandshop.com. Our school will receive a check at the end of the program. The money can be used for any of our school's educational needs. You must re-register your card even if you registered it last year! Remember, you can support three schools with your card.

THANK YOU SEAN SIET

On October 6th, the PTO hosted Sean Siet, the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for Bernards Township, who gave a presentation about the NJASK. For a copy of the PowerPoint presentation, parents can go to the district website: www.bernardsboe.com, click on "Departments", and then "Administration" in the drop-down menu. Click on "Director of Curriculum and Instruction" next to Sean Siet's name. Click on "Presentations" in the main menu. Item #24 is the presentation given on October 6th.

VOTER REGISTRATION

To any Oak Street parents who are not registered to vote, the deadline for the November election is October 18. The county board of elections must have the completed form no later than that date.

This is the link to the application: <http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/elections/forms/njvoterapp.pdf>

NEW EMAIL

The Torcivia Family has a new email dtorcivia@msn.com . Please update your directory with the new information.

STUDENT COUNCIL SPORTS BAGS

Show your School Spirit and purchase very own Oak Street School Sports Bags which are being sold by Student Council. Please refer to the September 16th Friday Folder Archives for an order form.

5TH GRADE YEARBOOK & DVD PHOTO COLLECTION:

Attention all 5th grade parents, the yearbook committee invites you to send us your child's pictures to be used in the yearbook and DVD. The deadline for photo submission is November 18th. Please check the Friday Folder for a memo explaining exactly what is needed and how to send it all in. We look forward to creating a wonderful keepsake for this special 5th grade class! All questions should be directed to Robin Prince and Jen Staples at oakstyearbook@yahoo.com

UPCOMING NEW JERSEY LEGISLATION INFORMATION

Please see the website below regarding the charter schools bills and Save Our Schools Program. This is a non profit organization that is trying to educate parents on the Charter School bill which is proposed for legislation. <http://www.saveourschoolsnj.org/>

Submissions to the Oak Leaflet must be made by **5:00pm on Tuesday** of each week.
Send via email to Sue Frost at sue_frost@mac.com.

Hello 5th Grade Parents:

The PTO will again be creating a yearbook and a DVD exclusively for 5th graders that will capture moments from all their years at Oak Street School from kindergarten through 5th grade. To do so, we need your help so please read the following information carefully!

WHAT WE NEED FROM YOU...

Photos:

1. One baby/toddler picture of your child;
2. One picture of your child from his/her first day of kindergarten at OSS if you have one;
3. Three additional pictures of your child from kindergarten through 4th grade- alone or with other OSS 5th graders- that were taken at a school event. We strongly recommend that these three photos represent your child's favorite school events i.e. field day, Halloween parade, author's tea, etc. *Note: We will NOT accept any photos that are not from OSS events i.e. NO sports, scouts, birthday party, vacation photos, etc.*

Quote:

1. Your child's answer to "Today, I..." and "Someday, I..." For example, "Today, I like to sing and play soccer. Someday, I will be a famous pop star and have a dog named Sparky." Or "Today, I enjoy playing video games and reading books. Someday, I will be an author and live in Rome." Their response must be limited to two sentences.

HOW TO GET PHOTOS AND QUOTES TO US...

Photos:

The easiest way to get the photos to us is to cut and paste the following link into your browser: <https://images.schoolannualonline.com/login?user=400133559&pw=oakstreet> . This will take you directly to the Image Share page on the School Annual website. If you click on the link instead, you may be asked to enter our user id – 400133559 and password- oakstreet before the Image Share page will appear. Browse to select pictures from your computer and then click 'upload' to load them. On the next screen, you will be asked to provide your name and email, the name of the child in the photo, the grade of the child when the picture was taken, and a description of the event. Please fill in all of this information before logging out.

Alternatively, photos can be sent to us in any of the following ways:

1. As a hardcopy with the child's name clearly written on the back and, if from an OSS event, the year and name of the event. We will scan these photos into the yearbook program and return them to you;
2. Emailed to oakstyearbook@yahoo.com with email text that provides child's name, event name, and year for each picture;
3. Provided on a USB or disk -with photos tagged with child's name, event name, and year- to us either by backpack mail in an envelope marked "Yearbook" or directly to our home mailboxes (see directory for addresses);
4. Some combination of the above.

In addition, we are asking any parent who served as a homeroom parent, attended class parties or chaperoned field trips through the years to send additional **group** photos of those events to us via a USB or disk. These are NOT to be uploaded onto the School Annual website or emailed to us. Please tag these photos so we know what class and event they are from.

Quotes:

Please send an email stating your child's name and his/her response to "Today, I..." and "Someday, I..." to oakstyearbook@yahoo.com.

All photos and quotes must be uploaded to the website or received by the committee by November 18th.

Every effort will be made to use as many pictures as possible in the yearbook. Any photos that do not make it into the yearbook will be used in the DVD.

The cost for one yearbook and one DVD is \$15 per family. An order form will be sent out via the Friday Folder in early 2012. Please do not send in any money now. The yearbook and DVD will be delivered to the students at the 5th Grade Party in June.

We look forward to receiving your photos and quote responses. Have fun looking through your old photos and please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

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