



The Oak Leaflet

A Publication of the Oak Street School PTO



UPCOMING DATES

Sunday, 9/18 - Family Pizza Night (4:30 - 7:00)

Monday, 9/26 - Board of Education Meeting (WAMS)

Wednesday, 9/28 - PTO meeting, 9:15 (Oak Street Auditorium)

Thursday, 9/29 - School Closed for Rosh Hashanah

Wednesday, 10/5 - Dirtmeister, Grade 4

Thursday, 10/6 - Meeting with Sean Siet to review NJ Ask Scores & Q&A

Wednesday, 10/12 - Picture Day (please note that the Oak Street PTO calendar has the wrong date listed)

WELCOME BACK!

We would like to welcome everyone back to Oak Street and welcome all new kindergarten families and any new families to our school.

MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE DRIVE

Please remember to send in your pledge form. Your support of the membership drive is vital to the operation at Oak Street PTO. With your pledge you will receive the OSS calendar decorated by the students and the family directory. All donations go directly towards funding the fantastic events and activities the PTO sponsors throughout the year.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sean Siet will be in the Eagle's Cafe to review NJ ASK scores and questions on Thursday, October 6th at 9:15am.

OAK STREET SCHOOL PTO

\$25,000

\$11,500

Help Us Reach Our Goal

ANNUAL FAMILY PIZZA NIGHT

Don't forget to join us on Sunday, September 18th for our Annual Family Pizza Night sponsored by the PTO from 4:30 - 7:00. Enjoy pizza, refreshments and music entertainment along with the 5th grade Baking Committee and Oak Street Sportswear. Don't forget to RSVP to oakstreetpto@yahoo.com if you will be attending.

OAK STREET SCHOOL SPORTS BAGS

See the attached flyer for information about a limited edition Oak Street sports bag sale sponsored by the Student Council with proceeds going to fund the Oak Street Alumni Scholarship." Bags will be available for purchase at Family Pizza Night for \$8.00.

MESSAGE FROM MRS. McELYEA, SCHOOL NURSE

With our return to school, several cases of pediculoses (head lice) have been identified. Some of the sources for head lice can be camps, vacationing and staying at summer homes and hotels, on planes, at movie theaters and sharing hats or helmets. Please check your child at least once a week for any lice or nits. If found, please treat and report this situation to the health office. Lets all work together for a happy and healthy school year!

RAFFLE, RAFFLE, RAFFLE

Don't forget to get your raffle tickets for the coveted spot in Henry Street Parking lot or the first spot in line at the OSS Car Loop. Tickets will be available at Pizza day and the winner will be announced Monday, September 19th during morning announcements. You can purchase tickets for \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

PTO MEETING

Please join us for the first PTO meeting at 9:15 in the auditorium on September 28th.

HOMEROOM PARENTS

Thank you for everyone who volunteered to be Homeroom Parent. We look forward to a great year!

ENTERTAINMENT, PLEASE!

The Dirtmeister will be entertaining the 4th grade students with a fun filled educational Science show with Rocks and Minerals on Wednesday, October 5th.

NEW DISPLAY CASE

We would like to thank Nancy Clerici for the beautiful display case she created. Even Hurricane Irene couldn't stop her from coming in to volunteer.

PLEASE NOTE DAY/DATE CHANGES

Please note that the last 2 days of school under "early dismissal days" on the Important Date notice that was e-mailed with the teacher assignment should read "**Thursday**, June 21, 2012 and **Friday**, June 22, 2012. Also, Picture Day is Wednesday, October 12th **NOT** Monday, October 10th as is listed in the PTO Calendar.

ATTENTION 5TH GRADE PARENTS

This is the last chance to get your 5th grader's name printed on the 5th grade t-shirts that are being sold this fall with the Oak Street School Spirit Wear. This is a nice memento of their elementary school years! If you are interested in having your child's name listed with their classmates on the back of the shirt, please complete the form in this week's Friday Folder and return it to Kristin McQuaid at rkoes25955@aol.com by than Friday, Sept. 23. No accommodations can made for late submissions. If you do not wish to have your child's name printed on the shirt, please email to the same address, to help ensure that no child's name is inadvertently left out. Thank you! The Spirit Wear Committee

SPECIAL THANKS

We would like to thank our New Family Welcome Committee members, Sarah Herrera and Jennifer Thompson, for all their help with New Family Orientation. Even though Oak Street had no power, they made the meeting a success.

PLAYGROUND UPGRADE!

We hope you've noticed the new addition to the lower playground. Over the summer, a new section of climbing ladders, platforms, runs and slides had been added to the existing play area. Without your generous donations to the PTO, we wouldn't have been able to make it happen! Also, look for new nets for the lower basketball courts and three new basketball courts to be installed near the Henry Street entrance in the fall.

PTO WELCOME BACKS OSS STAFF WITH GIFT

Our entire OSS staff was surprised and appreciative of the NEW COFFEE MACHINE provided by the PTO. It features more flavors of coffees, teas, hot chocolates, etc., complete with creamers/sugars. All varieties will cost \$.75. (This is the estimated cost for the PTO to run the machine.) We welcomed each OSS Staffer back with a custom "Eagles" red insulated mug and \$.75 to pay for their first cup from the new machine. The PTO reminds the staff to "go green" and enjoy their new reusable mugs!



FROM THE DESK OF DR. COSTA, PRINCIPAL

I would like to warmly welcome everyone Back to School! On September 8th we opened our doors to over 630 students. Oak Street School had come back to life! An air of excitement and anticipation filled the hallways as the students entered the building. By 9:00 the students were in their seats and instruction began. Classroom routines are being established and put into place. On Tuesday, we held an evacuation drill which was our first mandated safety drill of the year. Schools are mandated to hold one fire drill and one emergency drill a month. Emergency drills consist of evacuation drills, lock downs, shelter in place and reverse evacuation drills. The students did exceptionally well during the drill and I was very proud of them!

Best wishes for a wonderful and successful school year.

Consider yourself at home.... Consider yourself part of the family... the Oak Street School Family.