



APRIL 2010

Oatville Elementary

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Newsletter #9

Events for April

- 1st—Papa John's Pizza Day
- 2nd —5th grade -Halstead Learning Center
- 14th—PTA Meeting @ 5:15 p.m.
- 15th—4th Grade Smoke Out
- 15th—Kindergarten to see Chicken Little at Wichita Children's Theater
- 15th—PTA Skate Party
- 16th —NO SCHOOL: IN-SERVICE**
- 17th—PTA Consignment Sale 10-4**
- 19th—NO SCHOOL: TEACHER COLLABORATION DAY**
- 20th—4th & 5th Grade to Wichita Symphony
- 21st—Secretary's Day
- 22nd—Hearing & Vision for new students
- 22nd—Earth Day
- 23rd—5th grade to Cosmosphere
- 26th— Site Council Meeting @ 3:45
- 27th—Science Fair –Open House from 6:00 to 7:00
- 29th—Kindergarten Round – Up @ 9:30
- NO KINDERGARTEN CLASSES**
- 30th — PTA All –Star Sports East Location 6-9 pm

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

Thursday, April 29th

We are currently searching for future Kindergarten students that will be five years old on or before August 31, 2010. Oatville's Kindergarten Round-Up is scheduled for April 29th at 9:30 a.m. We are developing a mailing list of those parents with Kindergarten students for next year. If you have a child or know of a child who will be in Kindergarten, please call the school office at 554-2290.

Pennies For Patients

The Student Council at Oatville chose to support Pennies for Patients as March's community service project. This supports the Leukemia Society in the battle against Leukemia. As you know, leukemia remains the leading cause of death in children and young adults under the age of 20. Many students have organized special projects to raise money for this worthwhile cause. As of Wednesday, March 30th, students and staff had donated over \$1200 to this project. The student council appreciates your support of this project.



Spring Attire & Clothing

Parents, please help your child watch the weather and dress appropriately. Students will go outside for recess each day, weather permitting. Please do not let students wear shorts until the weather is consistently warm/hot outside (over 80 degrees consistently). Short shorts and crop tops/halter tops are also discouraged. Also, on days your child has PE, please do not let your child wear flip flops. It is essential to maintain and promote a positive learning environment these last couple of months of school.

District Newsletter and Building Newsletter

Due to recent cuts in the school district funding from the state department, both district and building budgets have been cut substantially. For this reason, both the USD261 District Newsletter and the monthly Oatville newsletter are only available electronically. Visit the district's website homepage for links to the district newsletter and the Oatville monthly newsletter.

Title Programs and Services

As part of the No Child Left Behind legislation, parent involvement is one of the key components and a requirement from both the state and federal government. Included with the newsletter, are several notes regarding parent information and requirements for Highly Qualified Teachers.



PTA Skate Party

The PTA is planning its last all school skating party on Thursday, April 15th from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. Students will be transported to the skating rink by school bus. Please be sure to come into the rink between 6:00-6:15 to pick up your child. It is important for emergency contact phone numbers to be included on the permission slip. Parents must be available to contact in case of accidents, injuries, or other emergencies.

National School Volunteer Week

April 25th — 30th

The Haysville Board of Education and the Oatville Staff would like to thank all the parents, grandparents, relatives, former students, business volunteers, etc. for the contributions that they make to our schools. Oatville is fortunate to belong to a caring community who responds to and assists with needs in the schools. A special thank you to all our volunteers for making a difference in a child's life and helping make Oatville a great and encouraging place to learn and grow.



Oatville PTA All Star Sports Night: Friday, April 30th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Save the date and mark this on your calendar! All families and students are invited to come to a special all-school event at **All Star Adventures (East Location)**. Tickets will go on sale at the school April 26th—30th. Tickets purchased at Oatville from our PTA will be \$12 per person or \$15 at the gate. You must then take your ticket to the PTA table outside All-Star and exchange it for a wristband. There will be NO refunds for lost or stolen wrist bands. In case of rain,

there will be an alternate date established. **Use this as a way to reward your kids if they "Did their best on the state assessment tests!"**



2010 4th Grade KAT (Kids Against Tobacco) Activity



On Thursday, April 15, 2010, the 4th grade students at Oatville will have the opportunity to participate in a "Tobacco Free" day. This program focuses on the hazards of smoking and using smokeless tobacco, not only for the user, but also for those around that person (second hand smoke). This event will take place during the school day. Six 5th graders will also help out with this day by guiding several activities. Students who portray good behavior and participate in the activities will receive a t-shirt that commemorates the day with the KAT logo. This is just one more example of the various programs and activities which support the Wellness Plan at Oatville.

Mail-in Enrollment 2010-2011



The district will be having mail-in enrollment. All returning students will receive enrollment papers in the mail during the month of July. It will need to be returned to school before July 24th. **Please take time to make sure your addresses are current, because enrollment packets will not be forwarded.** New students to the district will have one-stop enrollment at HMS on August 5th. More information will be coming from the district office. Watch your mail for enrollment information.



Science Fair

The Oatville Science Fair is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 2010. Judging will take place in the morning with students viewing the projects during the afternoon. An Open House has been scheduled that evening for parents to view projects from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. More details regarding specific times exhibits may be viewed will come later. The Oatville Science Fair involves students making a project that consists of the work done in investigating a problem in one field of science. This involves research and experimentation that is displayed in an exhibit. Projects may come from any area of physical or life science. To be considered a scientific exhibit, the project should follow the scientific experiment form that includes the following steps:

- a. Question b. Hypothesis c. Procedure d. Results e. Conclusions

Each student in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade is required to have an entry in the Science Fair. Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades will complete either a whole class project or small group projects. Individual projects for kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grades are not required. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact your child's teacher. Also note that Science display boards are for sale in the school store for \$2.50 each

April Citizenship Word of the Month
SELF-DISCIPLINE

Children sometimes think only of today. While this can be healthy, children also need to become aware of how their actions today may affect tomorrow—and the rest of their lives. Self-discipline means to take care of oneself and to have a desire to achieve or strive for something. Through learning about this word, Oatville students will be learning good character traits to set daily, weekly, and yearly goals for themselves. They will be discussing the importance of wanting to achieve something and setting goals to achieve it. Remember to listen to your child and the goals he/she has currently in mind. Encourage your child to tell you about what he/she wants to do and be in life. Praise your child's successes as he/she accomplishes short term goals. Working together we can make a difference.

Salvaging Sisterhood Girls Group

Mrs. Barton is pleased to announce starting April 5th, the fifth grade girls with parental permission will be going to the Salvaging Sisterhood Girls Group. Each girl will attend one day each week during lunch and lunch recess. We will be talking and learning about effective communication, conflict resolution, self esteem, and much more. The group will end the final week of school. Please direct questions or concerns to Vicki Barton, school counselor at 554-2290.

OATVILLE SUPER STARS

★ Congratulations to the following students who were recognized in March for their good citizenship and other outstanding qualities. Congratulations to: Aaron Southerland, Steeley Meyers, Hunter Shank, Bryan Rivas, Ethan Denning, Kiley Hale, Sarah Tweed, Zach Setzkorn, Thavy Nhem, Sam Carroll, Nadia Hadsell, Lillian Maina, Ryan Martinez, Kaylea Hein, Tanner Schultz, Katie McKee, Sean Howell, Sierra Schlecht, Matthew Mendez, Angelina Terronez, Drew Perez, Camden Coleman, Audrey Denning, Colby Jenkins, Taya Rushing, Matthew Raney, Liana Lam, Cody Reed, Mykell Lobb, Annie Lam, Alexa Miller, Lauren Shipman, Jayden Grimsley, and Madilyn Porter

PTA COOK-OUT and FIELD DAY

Friday, May 7th



The Oatville PTA and kitchen staff are planning a hamburger cook-out for all students who purchase a school lunch on Friday, May 7th. This event will be in conjunction with the annual Oatville Field Day for students. As in the past, students may invite a **guest (maximum of 2)** to eat lunch with them on that day. Students and guests will be able to eat outside if the weather cooperates.

RESERVATIONS ARE DUE APRIL 15th so that food can be ordered. Cost of the lunch is \$1.75 for students and preschoolers and \$2.95 for adults without milk and \$3.25 with milk for adults.

Return to school (kitchen) with the money by April 15th.

Student's Name

Guest

Teacher /Grade

Guest

Number of Reservations/Amount Enclosed



Parent Request Form for Information about Teacher Qualifications

Each school year, any parent who has a child attending any school receiving Title I funds may request and receive, in a timely manner, information regarding the professional qualifications of the student's classroom teachers. In addition, the parents may also ask whether the child is provided services by a paraprofessional and, if so, his or her qualifications [Section 1111(6)(A) ESEA.] Guidance C-6

FYI- During the current school year, all Oatville teachers meet the qualifications of Highly Qualified Teachers.

Please check the information that you would like to receive:

- I would like to receive information about my child's teacher's qualifications.
- I would like to receive information about my child's paraprofessional's qualifications.

My child's name is: _____

He/She attends school at: _____

His/Her teacher's name is: _____

My name is: _____

Today's date is: _____

Return this form to the school office