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Oakbrook PTA & School Newsletter

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A Message from Your Principal

Here we are in the second month of 2008. February represents many things. We honor our presidents with two holidays, we celebrate love with Valentine's Day, and we learn about the contribution of African Americans to America. I have always wanted Black History to just be incorporated into our curriculum and not have a month set aside. It is my hope that throughout the school year we celebrate the contribution of all Americans. May all of your month be filled with love and pride as Americans.

Pamela Moore, Principal

Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten Registration will begin the week of April 7th. In order to be ready for registration parents will need to provide the following three documents: original birth certificate (copy cannot be accepted), current immunization records, proof of residence (PGE, water bill, or cable bills only). All documents are required upon registration. Unfortunately, registration cannot be taken without all three documents in hand and registration packets are kept on campus.

Traffic and Safety at Oakbrook

Whether your children walk, ride a bike, or are passengers in your car, it is important to obey laws and safety practices. In order to protect our children, here are some things you should be aware of:

- Pedestrians, including adults should always use the crosswalk, and look both ways before crossing.
- Bicyclists must obey all traffic laws, and wear a properly fitted helmet.
- Drivers must obey student safety patrols.
- Drivers should not make U-turns in the school zone.
- **Yellow zones are for loading & unloading-no parking.**

Loading and unloading of passengers is permitted only at the curb, never in crosswalks, driveways or traffic lanes. Children should be loaded and unloaded from the passenger side of the vehicle only.

Academic Make-up Time

As part of our ongoing District Attendance Campaign, we are not only concerned about students being here every day, but we are concerned about them being here on time.

Effective February 19, we will have an Academic Make-up Period for students who are late. These students will either make up work that has been missed or they will read in the lunchroom after they have eaten. Students who are late due to a doctor or dentist appointment will need to bring in an office slip from the doctor.

PTA President's Message

It's the time of year that our PTA begins the process of electing next year's board. This month we will be forming what is called a nominating committee. This very important committee searches for candidates to fill next year's board positions. If you are interested in being on this committee or would like to nominate someone for a PTA position next year please email Elaine at elaine@oakbrookpta.org
Elaine Kabish, PTA President

Valentine Grams

Student Council will be selling Valentine Grams February 12th & 13th before and after school. The cost is \$1.00 each. Valentine Grams will be delivered on February 14th.

Honor Roll Correction

Andrea Hernandez's name was left off of last months honor roll list. Good work Andrea!

Oakbrook Character Trait

Listed below are students who were "Caught in the Act" demonstrating Oakbrook's character trait for January:

Respect. Our character trait for the month of February is **Responsibility.**

Good job:

Dante DiSalvo	Tai Porter	Davy Rassmusson
Ava Weaver	Alex Ballard	Shahd Erakat
Cassidy Porter	Jacob Dean	Gisselle Santillan
Cain Madison	AlizeChaves	Taylor Lampasona
Jose Bernal	Halle Sullivan	Brittany Musiello
Atif Baig	Brissa Aguilar	Raymundo Santa Cruz
Jack Binter	Alondra Estrella	Anthony Mendez
Gabriel DelGadillo		

Oakbrook Choir

Oakbrook is forming a choir to sing the National Anthem at AT&T Park home of the San Francisco Giants. Student who are interested in being a member of the Oakbrook's Choir need to complete a permission slip, which are available in the office. Practices are held Wednesday's after school from 2:30-3:15. The choir will be performing at the Giants baseball game on April 26th. More information regarding ticket cost to follow.

Absences

Just a reminder, if your student is absent from school please remember to call the office or send a note to school regarding the absence. Excused absences include: personal illness or injury, quarantine, medical or dental services rendered, attendance of funeral for a member of the immediate family, or observance of religious holiday or ceremony. Please refer to the Parent Handbook distributed at the beginning of the year for more information.