Oakshire Elementary Monthly Building Report

Principal News: HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD PREPARE FOR STANDARDIZED TESTS

Attitude is everything. Help your student have a positive attitude toward school and test taking in particular by emphasizing that it's just one part of the learning experience. Remind them that a test is simply a measuring stick to see how much they have learned,- not how much they have not learned." Become knowledgeable about the tests your child takes. Tests assess a child's knowledge at a particular point in time. Be sure that your child has completed the day-by-day schoolwork upon which tests are based. Teachers will send information home about testing schedules and class preparation plans. Well Rested! Whenever a test will be given, make sure that your child gets plenty of sleep the night before the test; has a good breakfast. Adjust your routine. A week or so before testing begins, get your children on an earlier routine. Eat dinner at a regular time, get them to bed earlier at a consistent time and then get them to school just a little earlier in the morning. Carry that through test week. With a routine in place, test week will seem less intense for both you and your child. If your child has struggled with a particular area or subject in the past, you may be able to help her/him overcome some of that difficulty by providing some extra practice. Many workbooks target test preparation by offering practice exercises and questions like the ones students see on the test. The Louisiana Dept. of Education website has many resources examples of past test questions. Give your child a chance to practice If your child has trouble taking tests, try practicing test questions and studying standardized test question formats words. Keep the sessions short, and set small, manageable goals so that the extra practice boosts your child's confidence.

Thank you,

Mrs. Campbell

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Assistant Principal News:

Are you ready to send your students to school with a little sparkle? We only have a few days left to track for our Glow Party. We are looking forward to our Glitter, Glam, and Glow Party, which is our next PBIS event. Students will be able to use their signatures to attend and /or dress down for this social. We will sell concessions and glow merchandise for \$1.00 each at the party. We put any money collected back into our PBIS fund so field trips, the bowling activity, the pizza party, and our upcoming Nacho party are free for the students who earn the signatures required to attend these exciting events. Our March PBIS tracking dates of March 6-April 11 will be for free nachos and a free recess. Students with the required amount of signatures will be allowed to dress down for this event, also.

We are encouraging students to take ownership of their school campus by having them treat the restrooms and cafeteria with respect. Please remind your child/children that the restrooms and cafeteria at school should be taken care of just as they care for the facilities at your home. Together we have made Oakshire Elementary a wonderful place to learn for our children.

Best wishes,

Mrs. Kraemer

At Oakshire, we are building our foundation one brick at a time, one academic skill at a time, and one kid at a time!



School Counselor's News

Our school year is quickly passing by. The seasons change and so does our students over the year. We have seen notable changes in our students behaviors and attitudes. Our PBIS program has promoted positive behaviors and we are seeing it in our students on a daily basis. Please continue to encourage your child to come to school daily and to behave, so that he/she can earn her PAWS cards signatures to attend our PBIS rewards because the next few months have some really cool rewards.

This month our social skills focus will be on following directions, due to state testing coming up next month in April for our 3rd-6th graders. Students will engage in activities that enable them to gain skills on reading and listening to oral directions and time management.

Intervention Content Leader News

PTC's goal this year was to make our backyard beautiful for the students. All of our profits from PTC events are going towards purchasing heavy duty picnic tables, garbage cans, and recess equipment for the students. So far we have raised \$1,913.76 which is enough to purchase about 2 tables. We have one more fundraiser coming up this month: Spring Family Fun Day! Please consider making a donation of supplies and/or your time to help make this event a profitable success. It would be wonderful to end the school year with enough to purchase at least 4 tables. We all hope to see you here on Saturday, March 23rd.

**If you have not done so visit our Oakshire PTC Facebook page to see how you can help out.

Reminders:

- Car riders are issued student pick-up tags which must be on display when student is picked up.
- Students cannot be checked out after 3:25 PM

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 PBIS Focus: Playground	4 Dr. Seuss Birthday!	5 PTC Meeting @6 Glow Party PBIS tracking ends	6 PBIS Popcorn Combo Sale at recess Nacho Average Play Date Party PBIS tracking begins	7	8 PBIS Popcorn Combo Sale at recess Posture Screening 4th/6th	9
10 PBIS Focus: Assemblies	11	12	13 Last day of 3rd/4th grade tutoring 3rd Nine weeks ends	14 Glow Party PK-2 Synergy Bank	15 Glow Party 3rd-6th Spring Pictures	16
17 PBIS Focus: Matrix	18	19 Report Cards Available	20 School Improvement Meeting @ 4	21	22	23 Spring Family Fun Day!
24 PBIS Focus: Bus	25	26	27 Kona Ice - 6th Grade Grandparents	28	29 SPRING BREAK!	30
31	Spring Break - March 29-April 7th Students return Monday April 8th			3-6 LEAP Testing Days April 16th, 17th, 18th, 23rd, 24th, 25th K-4 DIBELS Benchmarking		
	SOLAR ECLIPSE—April 8th April 19th, 22nd, 26th					