

Oakwood Elementary October Newsletter

Parent Planning Calendar:

- Oct. 3-4 Mobile Dentist*
- Oct. 4 Kindergarten A,B,C Fashion Show @2:30
- Oct. 5 PTO Scarecrow Making Family Fun @10:00
- Oct. 9 Fire Safety Day
- Oct. 11 4th Gr. Field Trip
- Oct. 11 September Student-of-the Month Lunch
- Oct. 14-18 National School Lunch Week
- Oct. 15 PEVS Board Meeting @7:00 at Oakwood Elementary
- Oct. 16 Picture Re-take Day w/Lifetouch
- Oct. 18 End of 1st Quarter
- Oct. 21-25 National School Bus Safety Week
- Oct. 23 1st Quarter Report Cards go home
- Oct. 25 Kindergarten Family Reading Day @2:30
- Oct. 28-Nov. 1 3rd Gr. Fall Ohio State Reading Tests



October's Character Trait of Focus is **RESPONSIBILITY**

I am trustworthy and reliable. I take care of my duties and obligations. I make good decisions on my own. I do not make excuses or blame others.

FIRE PREVENTION/SAFETY WEEK – The week of October 7-11 is Fire Safety Week. We are looking forward to a visit from our local firefighters and EMTs on Wednesday, October 9th. The firemen and women will bring their fire trucks and water hoses for our students to check out. They will conduct our October fire drill, and they will give fire safety presentations or demonstrations at each grade level. We appreciate the time and effort that goes into preparing for this special day. Hopefully your child will be able to talk to you about how your family can apply what they have learned to a fire safety plan for you home.



Friday, October 18th is the end of the first quarter of the 2019-2020 school year. **Grade cards** will be sent home with students on Wednesday, October 23rd.

The PTO

- Please bring your family to the PTO Scarecrow Making Family Fun event on Saturday, October 5, at 10:00 at the Oakwood Community Park. Details will be sent home with your child this week.
- The October Scrip Order will be placed on October 15.
- The next PTO meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21 @4:00 in the media center.



The Principal's Corner

Happy Fall! The calendar definitely says autumn as I write this newsletter; however, it is predicted to feel like the middle of July

- 88+° for the first few days of October! The forecast indicates it should be feeling more like fall by the end of the week. It is the time of year when students need to begin to wear a jacket or sweatshirt over a t-shirt in the morning so they can be comfortable no matter what the weather decides to do over the course of the day.

During the week of September 16-20, staff and students at Oakwood Elementary practiced our Safety drills. I appreciate how cooperative everyone was during these practice events! One very important thing we stressed to students during each drill was the importance of listening carefully to the adult in charge and following their directions immediately. We encourage you to take a few minutes to talk to your child about the drills they practiced.

Since we are more than half way through the first quarter, your child should have a good understanding

of the routine and expectations for his/her classroom and grade level. If you have any questions about the curriculum or assessments you are seeing, please contact your child's teacher.



School Bus Safety Week – School Bus Safety

Week is October 21-25. Bus safety is always a concern at Oakwood Elementary. The theme this year is "My School Bus – The Safest Form of Student Transportation!" We respect our bus drivers for the awesome responsibility they take on each day as they transport our most precious assets, and we need to remind our children of acceptable behavior on the bus – a moment's distraction for the driver can have disasterous results. We use the phrase "Seat to the seat, back to the back, feet in front of you." If students are following this protocol on the bus, many other problems will be eliminated. Please help us reinforce bus safety by discussing it at home with your child on a regular basis.

The MOBILE DENTIST will be at Oakwood Elementary on October 3rd and 4th. Forms requesting your child's participation in this program were sent home early in the school year. Please contact Mrs. Stoller, the nurse, if you have any questions about the Mobile Dentist.



We are taking payment for **workbook fees** for the 2019-2020 school year. The fee total for students in grades K-2 is \$60.00; and for students in grades 3-6, the workbook fee is \$55.00. Please contact Cindy to pay the full amount or to set up a payment plan. We appreciate your promptness in addressing this matter.



As it states in our Student/Parent Handbook, The Child Find Law requires you to make contact with the school if your child is going to be absent. If you know ahead of time of an absence, please send a note to your child's teacher the day before. Otherwise, please call the school (419-594-3346) before 9:00 to report your child's reason for being absent.

Always call the office when you have questions or concerns about school.

We will be more than happy to help! 419-594-3346

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