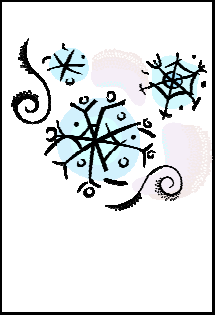


The Oak Leaflet

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UPCOMING DATES

Wednesday, December 8 – PTO Meeting, 9:15am in the Eagle Café

Monday, December 13 – Holiday Cakes distribution

Monday, December 20 – BOE Meeting, 7pm

Thursday, December 23 – Abbreviated schedule

Friday, December 24 – Friday, December 31 – Schools closed for Winter Recess

ALL ARE INVITED to the second PTO meeting of the year on Wednesday, December 8 at 9:15 in the Cafe'. Our guest speaker will be Kathy Kelly from the Municipal Alliance. She will present "It's 21 for a Reason". Please come out and get informed!

BAKERS/RECEIVERS/PACKAGERS NEEDED!! At this point, we are still in need of 16 bakers. The recipe is simple and is created using a cake mix. We ask each volunteer to bake two cakes, which must be delivered to Oak Street on Monday, December 13 before school starts. We also need six more volunteers to receive and package the cakes on the morning of December 13, from 8:45-10:45 AM. We need one volunteer to distribute cakes to the crossing guards on the Oak Street side of the school at between 2:45 and 3:15 pm. Without your help, this wonderful opportunity to say "Thank You" will not continue! Interested? Please email your name and whether you'd like to bake and/or receive/package to Nancy Collins at n_collins@msn.com. Thank you in advance from co-chairs Jennifer Bozzo and Nancy Collins!

BOXTOPS! We are down to our FINAL week for the Winter Contest! Send in those **BoxTops** this week if you want them to count! Current class leaders are Mrs. DeRose (K) - 631, Ms. Corcoran (1st) - 514 and Mrs. Leonow (K) - 392! Send your **BoxTops** in to school with your child in a baggie or envelope clearly marked with the Teacher's name. There is still time for your class to take the lead! The winning class will be treated to a Pizza Party in late December. A Spring Contest will be announced in February so keep clipping.... remember, every **pink BoxTops** coupon you send in earns our PTO 10 cents!

DONATIONS REQUESTED: We are in need of additional recess equipment - playground balls and foam Frisbees. Bring any donations to the front office. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

SENSITIVITY TRAINING - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The PEC (Parents for Exceptional Children) is sponsoring Sensitivity Training for all 3rd grade classes in our district again this year. The training focuses on how to be a friend with someone who looks or learns differently than you and will be led by Melinda Jennis, from Montville Pathways. During the workshop, there are stations where the children "experience" a disability - including physical disabilities, dyslexia, and vision and fine motor skill deficiencies. **We are looking for parent volunteers to help direct the children at these workshop stations. Please email Monique McHenry (moniquealb@aol.com) if you are interested in helping and when you would like to help out.** The times and classroom assignments are listed below. It is guaranteed to be a rewarding experience. If you have questions regarding the training, contact Monique McHenry or Stacey Irvine (jasirvine@verizon.net). Thanks in advance for your support!

Wednesday Dec 15th
9:05am - 10:35am Ms.Szmidt
12:45pm- 2:15pm Ms.Malone

Thursday Dec 16th
9:05am-10:35am Ms.Valles
12:45pm-2:15pm Mrs.Madden

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ATTENTION all 4th and 5th graders....Battle of the Books is coming soon! The PTO is proud to present the Oak Street School Battle of the Books program for the second straight year. Information about BÖTB 2011 will be coming out in mid-December, but you are all encouraged to take a look at our website www.oakstreetpto.org/botbhome.htm to see what this great program is all about. Reading, teamwork, competition, fun!!

DIRECTORY UPDATE – Allison Donnelly (Kieran's mom – in Ms. Velocci's first grade class) has a new email address: donnely71k@gmail.com.

THE 5th GRADE PHOTO HAS ARRIVED. All of the 5th grade photos were distributed to the students who ordered them. If you ordered a copy and did not receive it, please contact Christine Ziegler at cugz@optonline.net.