

## **Message from OES Administration**

It is hard to believe that in less than a month, we will start the final quarter of the year. This is a great time to look at all the progress your child or children have made. It is also a great time for students to set some goals for the next quarter. The goals don't have to be huge. It can be something like making sure to turn in all my assignments on time or participating more in class. Our teachers and staff have been working hard to help students to develop as learners and members of the Oakdale School Community. We know you have also been working hard to help your child to grow and learn. We appreciate all of your support. It is truly a team effort. Thank you for all you do!

#### K Registration Begins on March 19

Please bring the following to register\_:Birth Certificate, shot records, proof of residence (a water, gas or electric bill). We ask parents to come between 9:30 and 3 to register to avoid arrival and dismissal, as this is a hectic time in the office and our parking lot is difficult to enter and exit. If you need to come earlier or later, please be patient, as you may need to wait for staff to be able to assist you. Spread the word to family and friends, especially if they don't have any current school age children. Staffing allocations are already being made for next year. Having students register early helps us to be prepared.

#### **Special Education Inclusive PreK**

Recently, FCPS made a periodic re-evaluation of the locations of their special education inclusive Pre K programs. Due to changing needs across our county, families should be aware that our special education inclusive prekindergarten program will not be offered at this location. Starting in the 2018-2019 school year, students that qualify for this program will be able to access inclusive special education PreK services at other locations throughout FCPS. If you have any questions about the Pre K programs please feel free to call the front office.

#### **International Night**

We are celebrating diversity in our school, county and country with this event on April 6 from 6:30-8:30. Go to http://oakdaleelementary.my-pta.org to learn more information and to be able to sign up to help or to participate in specific events.

### Reminders for Changes for Students at Dismissal Time

Please send in a note whenever a child will be going home in a way that is different from his/her regular routine. Do not email changes, on the same day, to the office or the teacher because staff might not see it until after the students have been dismissed. If you forget to send a note or there is a late change, please call the school by 3:00. This will ensure that the change is recorded correctly. We take safety very seriously and want to do everything we can to ensure the safety of our students.

### **PARCC Testing**

Students in grades 3-5 will be taking PARCC from April 23 - May 8. Please try to avoid scheduling vacation or doctor appointments during this testing window. We understand that sometimes absences are unavoidable, so there will be makeup sessions. Students will not test on everyday of the window because we only test 2 grades a day. Please contact Mrs. Hanner if you have any questions.

# **Spirit Days Reminder**

- March 16 Hat Day
- April 27 Go Green Day
- May 18 OES Spirit Day
- June 1- Beach Day (no bathing suits please)

# **Dates to Remember:**

Date	Event
Thursday, March 15	Hat Day ELO PTA Meeting 4:15 Science Night 6-8 PM
Friday, March 16	Yearbook Band
Monday, March 19	ELO K Registration begins
Tuesday, March 20	ELO
Wednesday, March 21	Chorus
Thursday, March 22	ELO
Friday, March 23	Band Yearbook
Monday, March 26	ELO
Tuesday, March 27	ELO
Wednesday, March 28	Chorus
Thursday, March 29	ELO
Friday, March 30	Schools and Offices Closed due to Spring Break