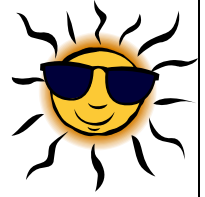




OAK STREET SCHOOL

June 11, 2009 – Final Edition

A Place Where Hearts & Minds Continue to Grow



School Hours - 8:15 AM - 2:25 PM

Internet - The Plattsburgh City School District Internet address is www.plattscsd.org.

News & Notes - This is our final edition for the 2008/2009 school year. Have a wonderful summer!

Parent Representative - Pam Salvamoser – 562-8028 or at psalvamoser@verizon.net Pam Salvamoser is your Parent Representative on the Oak Street School Improvement Committee. Please make sure you convey any questions or concerns that have to her.

Dear Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for another wonderful year. All members of the Oak Street School community have worked hard this year to foster a productive year for our students. I thank each of you for your time, patience and cooperation. Most of all, I thank you for sending us your child each day and trusting our staff to work to deepen their academic, social and physical development. I wish you all a fun filled and relaxing summer. I will be available in the office throughout the summer preparing for the 2009-2010 school year. Enjoy your free time - **Carrie**

Fifth Grade Celebration – the Fifth Grade Celebration Committee is preparing for this special June 23rd event. Thank you to all who are involved.

Retirements – Congratulations to Ms. O’Connell, Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Whipple on their retirements. Enjoy !

Oak Street Field Days – Welcome to Oak Street Field Days!!! The students will be assigned to a team and be performing skills and thrills throughout the morning. If you are interested in volunteering or sending in a “healthy snack” for the students; please show up at 9:00 AM the morning of your student’s grade level field day. You are cordially invited and we look forward to having you join in the fun!

Tuesday	June 16 th - 3 rd Grade	9:00 – 11:30
Wednesday	June 17 th - 5 th Grade	9:00 – 11:30
Thursday	June 18 th - 4 th Grade	9:00 - 11:30

The first part of the morning, each team will participate in fun-filled activities. The end of the field day will include team Tug Of War, Water Balloon Toss, Tie-Dye (please bring a white T-shirt to dye) and a Freeze Pop Treat.

If possible, we are asking the students to bring in a new or favorite **WHITE T-shirt** to be tie-dye. This will be a fun activity for the students and their shirt will be a happy reminder of their **FUN DAY!** Also, please remember to wear **SNEAKERS !**

Parent Survey Results - The members of BIC (Behavioral Intervention Committee) would like to thank all of the parents who participated in the Parent Survey. We received 118 responses. The Committee reviewed the results of the survey and identified the areas of concern.

The Committee will focus on the following issues for the 2009/2010 school year:

1. Bullying
2. Academic Progress at school
3. Use of Rubric/Number System
4. Penalty Box
5. Homework

Student placements – Student placements are underway. We would like to take a moment to explain the process to everyone. The teachers meet at each grade level. The teachers work hard to match your child's needs with next year's teacher. They also work to ensure that each class is composed of students with mixed ability levels (all ability levels). Building fair and balanced classes becomes very difficult if there are parent requests. We ask, therefore; that parents leave the placement of their child to the classroom teachers. We thank you for your understanding.



Our Busy Bees! - Our behavioral expectations for children, staff, and families at Oak Street Elementary are the following:

We will be safe by respecting others physically and emotionally, we will act responsibly and we will respect others and ourselves. The following children have been recognized recently for showing others one or more of these behavioral expectations:

Dylan F.	Zoya Q.	Payton M.	Sara B.
Sienna B.	Sam W.	Damon M.	Renee M.
Lucas M.	Kara S.	Alex F.	Hayden R.
Kasey S.	Justin S.	Jakob C.	Charlie M.
Aidan V.	Theo G-P.	Kobe A.	

(If your child is not recognized in this newsletter this does not mean we do not acknowledge your child's appropriate behavior in some way. This is only one tool we use. We always try to let our children know how important it is to follow these expectations ...it helps sustain the peaceful school Oak Street Elementary is...)

REMINDERS

IMMUNIZATIONS FOR 6TH GRADE - The New York State Department of Health requires all students who are entering 6th grade and are 11 years old to have a current Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis vaccine (within the previous 2 years). Proof of vaccination for varicella (chickenpox) or physician documentation of disease is also required for entering 6th grade. **By law, students who lack documentation of required vaccinations must be excluded from school and will not be allowed to enter Stafford Middle School. Please make sure that your child has the necessary vaccines!!**

Parent Visitors – All visitors including parents must sign in and get a visitor's badge. Please do not go directly to the classrooms.

Crosswalk - Please do not block the crosswalk in the parking lot. It prevents the students from using it.

Breakfast and Lunch Program – The last day for school lunches is Monday, June 22nd. Breakfast will be available through Thursday, June 25th. Bag lunches will be available on June 23rd and June 24th.

Thank you to our kitchen staff for another great year.