

# Oak Trace Weekly Update

NOVEMBER 4, 2022

## A NOTE FROM MRS. HITCH

Hello Oak Trace Families!

Next week will be a shortened week due to professional development and conferences. There will not be a newsletter next week. Thank you for making time to come to school to meet with your child's teacher. We want to partner with you to make sure your child has a great school year!

As a reminder, you must be safe visitor approved if you would like to chaperone a field trip or eat lunch at school with your child. You can register on the attached link if you haven't already. <https://www.wws.k12.in.us/about-us/wws-school-safety/safe-visitor>

We are looking for extra help in the lunch room. If you'd like to sign up to help in the lunchroom from 11 - 1 occasionally, please sign up [here](#). You must be safe visitor approved in order to help. Thank you! Additionally, you can sign up on this [Sign Up Genius](#) to eat lunch with your child.

Have a great weekend!

Jane Hitch  
Principal  
(317) 867-6410  
@MrsHitchOTES

## Election Day Hitch



## SAFE VISITOR REGISTRATION

If you want to participate in classroom activities or chaperone field trips, you must be registered in Safe Visitor. To register or renew your registration in Safe Visitor, please use the link below.

<https://secure.safevisitorsolutions.com/Safe/Volunteer/003471/volunteer>

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

- November 10th - Professional Development Day - No School for students
- November 11th - Parent Teacher Conferences Day - No School for students
- November 15th - Culver's Night - Look for your favorite teachers delivering food!
- November 17th - Oak Trace Mini Dance Marathon
- November 23 - 25 - Thanksgiving Break - No School



Permission slip 4th grade 2022-2023 SECOND NOTICE.pdf  
Here we Grow Again

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## LOST AND FOUND

When you come to the school for conferences over the next week or so, please check the lost and found. We have LOTS of nice jackets, sweatshirts, etc. The rack of miscellaneous items is outside the library.

## WWS WELCOME STORE

Please click this link to order WWS spirit wear!! The store closes on Tuesday, November 8th.

<https://wwswelcome2022.itemorder.com/shop/home/>



**JOIN US  
AT** *Culver's*

# OAK TRACE PTO DINE TO DONATE

## WHERE

Culver's Westfield  
17651 Sun Park Dr.  
Westfield, IN 46074

## WHEN

November 15  
5pm-8pm

## WHY

To raise money for the  
Oak Trace PTO  
\*20% of flyer revenue

**From Burgers to cheese curds, Culver's has it all!**  
Dine in or drive through on Tuesday 11/15 at the  
Westfield Culver's. If you dine in, you might just see  
one of your teachers helping with the event! We  
can't wait to see everyone!

**\*\*MUST SHOW THIS FLYER TO THE EMPLOYEES IN  
ORDER FOR OAK TRACE TO RECEIVE THE REVENUE!**

**November 17th**

## **Oak Trace Mini Marathon**

Sign your kids up for a night of fun that includes, games, dances, crafts, and so much more! This event will support the families at Riley Children's Hospital for Research. Scan the QR code and fill out the form to attend.



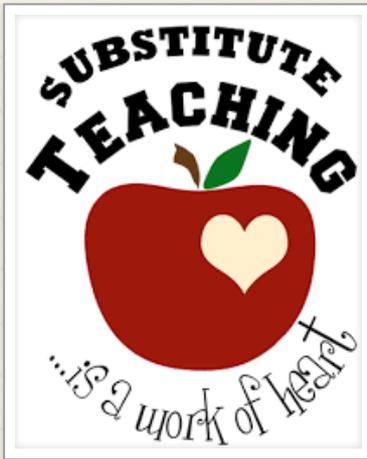
**FROM 4-5:30 PM**  
Entry fee is \$8

## COUNSELOR'S CHRONICLE

This past week our Ambassadors visited their classrooms to share our third lifeline of the year, being Responsible. As we all know, this is a skill everyone uses daily, which makes it so important to learn at an early age. Take a moment to ask your child what they were taught by their ambassador regarding responsibility. I've also included a lesson you can do at home as a family that focuses on this month's lifeline.



Also wanted to remind anyone that might need a little assistance in making life a little easier. You are welcome to let me know your needs [here](#) , and I will do my best to see what support we can offer. Have a great weekend, and let's go Rocks Football! Mr. F



## SUBSTITUTE TEACHING

We LOVE having parent substitute teachers!! If you are interested in subbing at OTES, please contact Molly Baker at [bakerm@wws.k12.in.us](mailto:bakerm@wws.k12.in.us) or call 317-867-6403. You can request to be a substitute for OTES only if you are interested.

## ATTENDANCE LINE

Attendance line phone # is 317-867-6401. For all absences and late arrivals, press 1 to leave a message. Please call by 8:30 A.M.

For all transportation changes, please call 317-867-6401 and press 1 to leave a message by 1:30 P.M.

If calling after 1:30 P.M., please call the office directly at #317-867-6411



## THINKING THURSDAY QUESTION

I am a number between 35 and 45. I have three ones. What number am I?

43



Oak Trace Lunch Menu

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Join us for  
Thanksgiving!

## Menu



Herb Roasted Turkey  
Breast w/Honey Roll  
Stuffing  
Mashed Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Cinnamon Pears  
Cranberry Sauce  
Fresh Apple  
Pumpkin Bars



### Schedule

WWES, CRES, MTES - 11/15/22

SSES, MGES, OTES - 11/16/22

WIS - 11/17/22

Alternate Option:  
Sunbutter and Jelly  
w/ cheese stick



## LUNCH TIMES

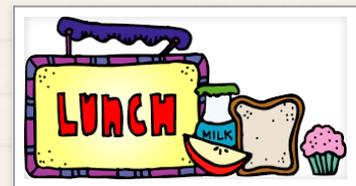
Kindergarten 11:00-11:30

1st 11:40-12:10

2nd 11:15-11:45

3rd 12:00-12:30

4th 12:20-12:50



## MATH CHALLENGE

The following students have passed the Math Challenge:



4th:

## LOTS OF PTO INFORMATION

*PTO volunteers for various events throughout the year.*

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409094DAEAF28A75-2022>



**Please remember to follow Oak Trace PTO on Facebook to get all the latest information!**

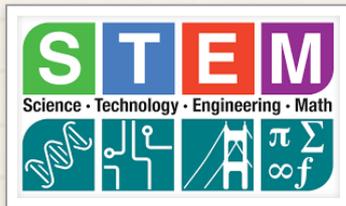
<https://www.facebook.com/OTESPTO>



## RENT THE ROCK

The rental is **\$20 per day this year** and we are **renting every day Sunday- Thursday**. We do have some days not available due to vacations or special events. Rental and payment are completed through the membership toolkit as in previous years.

<https://oaktrace.membershiptoolkit.com/home>



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN STEM

We had a fantastic week in STEM! As we approach the end of the 1st trimester and our first report card, I wanted to make you aware of how your student earns his or her STEM grade. In STEM, students will receive a letter grade of S+, S, S-, N, or U, with S+ being the highest and U being the lowest. Grades are based on how well students are able to collaborate with their classmates and overall behavior. Grades are never based on a student's understanding of STEM concepts, or how well a group's project works. This is because I want STEM to be a place where students push themselves to try new things without the fear of failure. As always, please contact me at [gibbsj@wws.k12.in.us](mailto:gibbsj@wws.k12.in.us) if you have any questions or concerns. Have a wonderful weekend!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY

What an amazing week we had in library! Responsibility is our lifeline for Oak Trace this month and we read the book The Good Egg by Jory John and Pete Oswald! The students made lists of ways to be responsible and created "Eggs-celent" Responsibility Eggs! I was so proud of how they understood their role in being a responsible citizen! Also, our first BOOK FAIR is coming up! Yippee! It will be from December 2nd through December 9th! Each class will get to preview the BOOK FAIR the week before! They will get to make their "Wish Lists" to take home and share with you! Also... we will be having our "Family Night" on December 6th from 3:30-6:30 pm! This is a great opportunity to come with your children to shop or pick up some great holiday gifts!

Happy Reading!  
Mrs. Walker

## NURSE'S CLINIC





## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MUSIC

We are busy in the music room! Kindergarten- We started watching My Many Colored Days. This is a book put to music by the Minnesota Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra plays the music to match the mood of the color of day. The red day was like a galloping horse. The yellow day was like a bunch of busy bees!

1st Grade- We have been working on keeping and playing a steady beat. This week we have been listening to "Drummer Pete" play his drum and deciding if he was playing a steady beat or not.

2nd Grade- Our Veterans Day program, "We Honor the Brave" will be performed by Mrs. Callahan, Mrs. Eggert, and Mrs. Marvel's classes on Tuesday, November 8 at 7:00pm. Mrs. Hiatt and Mrs. Spangler's classes will perform on Wednesday, November 9 at 7:00pm.

3rd Grade is taking what they have been learning about reading music to begin playing the ukulele.

4th Grade is reviewing what we learned last year about playing the ukulele, and then we will continue learning new chords and notes.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ART

Oak Trace Parents and Guardians, I wanted to send out a little FYI about how I give grades in art since conferences and report cards will be coming soon. I assess our student during the whole trimester on these 5 components: Craftmanship- Did they try their best? Procedure- Did they follow the steps it takes to create this? Application: Did they show the specific skill that was taught- Did they use only warm colors on their owl and cool colors for the background?

Completion- Did they finish? Citizenship-Did the treat people right and do the right thing while they were in art. Each area is worth 20 pts for a total of 100. If someone was a problem in one of these areas and it's not repeated again during the rest of the projects we do during the trimester- I just take 10 pts away in that area. If they don't improve during the trimester, I take 20pts away in that area. If they consistently have a difficult time in that area I take away 30pts. Here is what an example would look like. If a child got 90 for Application, 100 for Citizenship, 90 for Completion, 100 for Craftmanship and 80

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PE

2nd-4th:  
We started our soccer unit this week. We worked on keeping the ball at our feet and not using our hands. We played a fast paced game called Sideline Soccer. The kids really worked up a sweat.

K-1  
The students had a great time with our soccer stations. They worked on dribbling, passing, being a goalkeeper and even throwing the ball in. We will play some really exciting soccer-like games in the coming weeks.

Have a Harmonious Weekend,  
Mrs. Paul and Mrs. Mueller

for Procedures that child would  
earn an S for the trimester. If a  
child got 90 for Application,  
70for Citizenship, 90 for  
Completion, 80 for  
Craftmanship and 80 for  
Procedures that child would  
earn an S- for the trimester. I  
hope this helps. have a great  
weekend.

