

Oak Trace Weekly Update

AUGUST 19, 2022

A NOTE FROM MRS. HITCH

Hello Oak Trace Families!

It has been a joy to see the children hard at work this week. They have been learning procedures and got right into curricular work as well. We have an amazing group of students here at Oak Trace. Thank you for sharing them with us.

Our PTO has been hard at work. They passed out spirit shirts that students will get this week or next week. Students can wear them anytime, but make sure your child wears it on our Rockathon Day, September 14th. More information will be coming soon regarding that great event. PTO has also been preparing for the return of Savor Westfield. Have you bought a ticket yet? It is a fun way to taste the great food from local restaurants, enjoy a parents night out, and raise some money for Oak Trace! Thank you to all of you who have chosen to bring a teacher lunch on his/her birthday. I appreciate you thinking of the special education, literacy, EL, and special area teachers too. (See below for more information.)

Our Meet the Teacher Night will be Thursday, August 25th at 7:00 for grades 1 - 4. Kindergarten had their Information Night the night of the Ice Cream Social. If you have more than child here, you can attend one class's session and then visit the other teacher to get information. This event is for parents/guardians only.

You can follow us on social media! Mrs. Herring (@HerringMrs) and I (@MrsHitchOTES) try to highlight some of the great things happening at Oak Trace on Twitter occasionally. Other Twitter suggestions include @WWSPARENTU and @wws. Our PTO is on Facebook as well.

Have a great weekend! Enjoy the beautiful weather!

Jane Hitch
Principal
(317) 867-6411
@MrsHitchOTES

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 or fill out the google form below by 1:30 P.M.

<https://forms.gle/YYfwuGr2bDbmCvBt9>

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

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



SPECIALS SCHEDULE

August 11	AB
August 15	CDEAB
August 22	CDEAB
August 29	CDEAB
Sept 5	CDEA
Sept 12	BCDEA
Sept 19	BCDEA
Sept 26	BCDEA
Oct 3	BCDEA
Oct 10	BCDEA
Oct 24	BCDEA
Oct 31	BCDEA
Nov 7	BCD
Nov 14	EABCD
Nov 21	EA
Nov 28	BCDEA
Dec 5	BCDEA
Dec 12	BCDEA



WHAT'S HAPPENING

- August 25-Meet the Teacher Night grades 1-4 at 7pm
- September 5-Labor Day
- September 8-Savor at Bridgewater

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

School pictures will be taken Tuesday, September 6th. This is the Tuesday after Labor Day!



LUNCH CHARGES

There are new charges for school lunches this year. If a student asks for *SECONDS* of a fruit, vegetable or main entrée, they will now be charged for these items. See the fees below.

main entrée-\$2

vegetable-\$.90

fruit-\$.90

TBR FEES FOR THE 22-23 SCHOOL YEAR

Elementary fees for textbooks will be posted to your students PowerSchool Account August 10th. All fees should be paid in full by September 15th. To sign up for a payment plan, email luedkes@wws.k12.in.us. Please note the Chromebook protection plan is an optional fee that is NOT covered by the free and reduced application. If you want the protection plan, please make sure you purchase it by September 15.



LOTS OF PTO INFORMATION

Please use this link to sign up to help make a teacher's birthday special or use the QR code on the following page.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4ba4ad28a0ffc16-teacher>

If there are any questions feel free to contact Danielle and Jessica at otesroomparents@gmail.com

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!



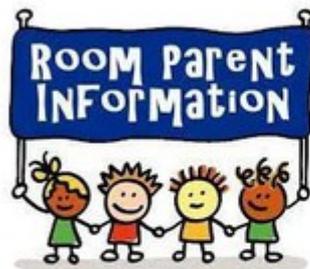
ORDER YOUR 2022-23 SPIRIT SHIRT!!!

Your student is getting their **FREE** school spirit shirt (picture to the left) today!! Show even more school spirit and purchase this year's school spirit shirt for *everyone* in your family! All sizes are \$12.

These are great to get and wear on field trips and to other school events!

Link to Order:

<https://oaktrace.membershiptoolkit.com/store/9236>



LOOKING FOR ROOM PARENTS FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

It's that time of year again to sign up to be a ROOM PARENT for the 2022-2023 school year! Being a room parent is a fun and exciting role to partake in for the year! You will work with other parents in your grade level to come up with Fall (10/28), Winter (12/16), and Valentine's day party (2/14). Room parents will be expected to be in the room during each class party this year. It is also important as a room parent to effectively communicate information to class parents about these events in order to

organize and implement these parties. Room parents will also be in charge of collecting, organizing, and creating the grade level baskets for Winter Fest. Ending the year with communicating about teacher appreciation theme days and lunch for your teacher. A room parent is a great way to be involved throughout the year! And don't worry if you don't get picked, YOU can still come to ALL the class parties during the year. Plus, there are lots of other ways to serve on the PTO to get involved.

Please fill out the following interest form <https://forms.gle/rabP6WELGywZDiz9>, which does NOT mean you are a room parent. We will let parents know who will be room parents via email by September 13th. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to us via Otesroomparents@gmail.com.

We are all looking forward to a great 2022-2023 school year!

MAKE A TEACHER'S BIRTHDAY SPECIAL!



[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/
GO/10COE4BA4AD28A0FFC16-TEACHER](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COE4BA4AD28A0FFC16-TEACHER)

SIGN UP TO BRING A TEACHER THEIR BIRTHDAY LUNCH!

Oak Trace Elementary & **Indy Dental Group**
Comprehensive, Cosmetic & Family Dentistry
www.indydentalgroup.com

present
**Savor
WESTFIELD**



A TASTING EVENT

Thursday, September 8, 2022 6:30-9:30pm
Vip Pass Entrance 6:00pm

The Bridgewater Club • Westfield, Indiana
\$40 Presale • \$45 at the Door • \$50 VIP Pass

Find us on Facebook - Savor Westfield
Savor Westfield is a 21 and older event

SCAN HERE TO
PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS



Tickets and more info available
online at www.SavorWestfield.com

PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS

1205 Distillery North • The Bountiful Board • Prodigy Burger Bar • Social Cantina
Grand Junction Brewing Company • Urban Vines • Field Brewing • Jans Village Pizza
Grindstone on the Monon • Chef Karyn LLC • Charlestons • Joes Grille • Cone & Crumb
Titus Bakery • Quack Daddy • Kizuki Ramen & Izakaya • Birdies Bar and Grill • Nori Japanese Steakhouse



Attention all parents...Savor Westfield is BACK! Now is the time to get your tickets to 2022 Savor Westfield before the event sells out!

Savor Westfield is a fun fundraising event, benefiting Oak Trace Elementary School and the Westfield Youth Assistance Program. Come sample, sip, and savor the menus of 19 local restaurants, wineries and breweries! Savor Westfield is a 21 and older event...perfect date night or girls night out!

LOCATION: The Bridgewater Club

DATE: Thursday, September 8th, 2022

TIME: 6:30-9:30pm

Presale tickets \$40.00

Limited tickets at door \$45.00

To purchase your tickets, visit <https://oaktrace.membershiptoolkit.com/packet/22332039>



PTO

Hello, families!

Welcome back to school! We hope your kiddos had a great first day back. As we gear up for a new school year, please remember to update your family information on Membership Toolkit. This needs to be done EACH year. We use this platform for Rent the Rock, fundraisers, apparel sales, club and enrichment sign ups, and more!

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

RENT THE ROCK

The dates go live on Friday, 8/12 at 4:30 pm.

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>



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Welcome Back Oak Trace students and Families! I hope everyone had a great summer, and I am super excited to have our kiddos back here at school. This week Oakley and I have been making our rounds to the classrooms to welcome your student's back and remind them of my role here at school. By the end of next week I should have been in every classroom so don't forget to ask your child what they learned about me during my introduction to their class. Have a fantastic weekend! Mr. F



THINKING THURSDAY QUESTION

Colts Camp is still happening in Westfield. What is the name of the new quarterback for the Colts?

Matt Ryan



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BECOME A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

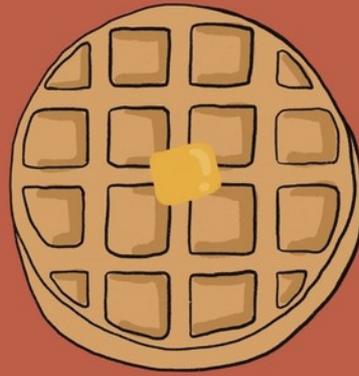
HELP OUR STUDENTS STAY IN SCHOOL!

REASONS TO BECOME A WWS SUBSTITUTE:

WORK WHEN YOU WANT
CHOOSE THE LEVEL YOU WANT TO TEACH
SUMMERS, NIGHTS AND WEEKENDS OFF
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY
EMPLOYEE DISCOUNTS
WE HELP GET YOU A SUBSTITUTE PERMIT

APPLY @ WWW.WWS.K12.IN.US/PAGE/1012

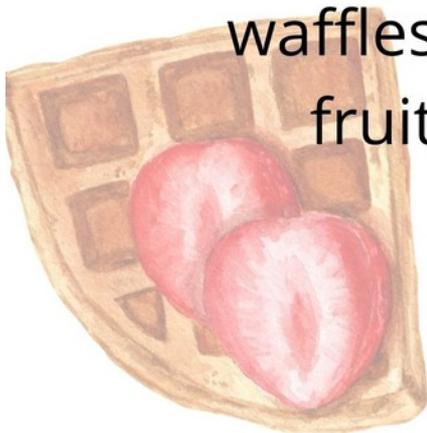
**Happy National
Waffle Day!**



**Celebrate with "Waffly" Good Waffles!
August 24th**

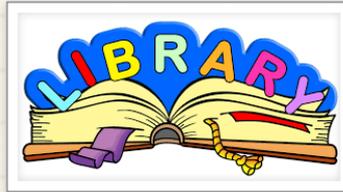
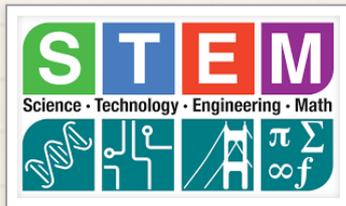
Waffles For Lunch!

Chicken and Waffles or
waffles topped with a
fruity compote!



Westfield Washington Grading Scale for Grades 3-12

A	93%-100%
A-	90%-92%
B+	87%-89%
B	83%-86%
B-	80%-82%
C+	77%-79%
C	73%-76%
C-	70%-72%
D+	67%-69%
D	63%-66%
D-	60%-62%
F	59% & below



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN STEM

Hello Oak Trace Families! My name is Jeff Gibbs, and I teach S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) here at Oak Trace. This will be my 23rd year as an elementary teacher and my 6th year teaching S.T.E.M., and I absolutely love it. Oak Trace is a fantastic place to work and come to school, so for all of our new families, welcome! I know you are going to love joining this school family. I have 2 children who came through Oak Trace, and they both cherish their time here. Your student is going to be learning so much in S.T.E.M., and I can't wait for the year that we are going to have together. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me at any time at gibbsj@wws.k12.in.us. It's going to be a great year!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE LIBRARY

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year at Oak Trace! It has been so good to see the boys and girls back at school! I am super excited to see them all in the library this year! I am Mrs. Walker and I am the new librarian! I taught third grade for the last fourteen years at Oak Trace and am so excited about my new role! This year, I will see each classroom for one day when it is their designated day to have library. The students will be able to check out books every visit! Open check out time will be on "A Days" at 8:05-8:15 a.m. each week so students can check out books when needed. Please encourage your child to keep their library books in their backpacks so they always know where they are and have them ready for home or for school! I am looking forward to a great year!
Happy Reading!
Mrs. Walker

NURSE'S CLINIC

I hope you all had a wonderful summer. I am so excited to see your students again. My office hours are 7:15-3:15pm if you need to reach out with any questions or concerns. If your student needs medication stored in the clinic, please stop by during those hours with the medication and all forms filled out. Please do not send medications and paperwork in your student's backpack. I am so excited for another great school year.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN MUSIC

We made it through our first full week in music this week!

I currently have a student teacher from Ball State University. Mrs. Mueller will be with us until December 16.

This week I began talking about choir to 3rd and 4th grade students. I will have choir forms to hand out to interested students during music class.

Have a Harmonious Weekend!
Mrs. Paul

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ART

Welcome back Oak Trace families! We are so excited for the year to begin. The schedule this year is just a little different. Art and STEM will be continuing our 2 day rotations and the other Specials will be seeing students for only 1 day before they move to the next Special. I have lots of amazing projects in store for you and we will be learning about famous artists, with 1 being a unit for the entire school. It's going to be great!! Remember that we use "Grown Up" art supplies and some of those can be permanent. Remember, don't wear anything you would make you sad if it got dirty when you come to Art. This year is going to be awesome!!

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