



Tiger Tales

Newsletter for the Families of
Oakdale Elementary

April 4, 2008

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thurs., April 10	Walking Club Kick-Off 9:20 A
Mon., April 14	School Spirit Day Tartan Pyramid Concert 7 PM
April 15-16	MCA Reading for Gr. 3-5
April 22-23	MCA Math for Gr. 3-5
April 28-May 1	MCA Science for Gr. 5
<u>Looking Ahead</u>	
Thurs. April 17	SAIL Game Night @ Webster
Thurs. April 24	Variety Show dress rehearsal @ North High
Fri., April 25	Variety Show @ North High
Thurs. May 15	Oakdale Family Night 6 PM

MILEAGE CLUB

On Thursday April 10, Oakdale will begin a Mileage Club. Physical activity for all children is important. Students are encouraged to walk a designated course on campus during their recess time for the last eight weeks of the school year. Your child needs no special equipment or shoes to participate.

Each student who participates in the program will receive a "walk-a-long" wrist band or toe token. The Mileage Club will kick off with an all-school assembly on Thursday morning. Parents, grandparents, or guardians, are invited to attend. We will introduce older students who will be helping supervise, and students, staff, and guests will walk the course. **Guests are asked to check in at the office by 9:10 AM.**

If you have questions please call Mr. Kimlinger @ 702-8526.



Outstanding Citizenship Award Winners

Week of March 24-28

Amreen Kaur (KG), Ethan Andreasen (1), Brianna Jensen (1), Cory Koehn (1), Jousa Yang (2), Lee Her (2), Gabby Grundtner (2), Brianna Grant (3), Julius Taurick (3).

FAMILY NIGHT

Mark your calendars for **Oakdale's Family Night** on **Thursday, May 15 at 6 P.M.** Featured will be multi-cultural story teller, Nothando Zulu and our family project leader.

There will be **free pizza** and each family will receive **books** to take home and enjoy. This event is sponsored by Title One.

STATE TESTING SEASON ARRIVES

The MCA-II tests in Math, Reading, and Science measure student proficiency on Minnesota's state standards. The results of these tests tell you how well your student is performing against state standards, and how well we are doing at getting your student to and beyond these standards. Results are also used for *No Child Left Behind* accountability.

The **reading test** will be given to students in **Grades 3-5 on April 15-16.**

The **math test** will be given to students in **Grades 3-5 on April 22-23.**

The **science test** will be given for the first time to students in **Grade 5 on April 28-May 1.**

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD PREPARE FOR THE MCA-II TESTS:

The best preparation for the tests is the classroom instruction your student has been receiving this year.

Please do your best to make sure your **child is in school during the testing days.** Scheduling appointments for other times will be appreciated.

It is critical that your **student take the tests seriously and give them his or her best effort.** Please discuss the importance of these tests with your student.

Attendance, rest, and nutrition are very important every day. We appreciate your cooperation with this during the testing.

SAIL GAME NIGHT

SAIL families are invited to join us for the annual district-wide SAIL Game Night. It will be at the Webster Elementary Diner on **Thursday, April 17th from 6:30-8:00.** Bring your favorite game to share and play a game you haven't tried before. Webster School is located at 2170 E. 7th Ave., No. St. Paul. Call 748-7587 for more information.

"CAT IN THE HAT" CONTEST

The Oakdale School winner of the "Cat in the Hat" writing contest sponsored by NSPMOEA was **Emmit Goebel** from Mrs. Lewis' Kindergarten class. He won a \$10 gift card to Barnes & Noble.

Emmit had to write a poem in the style of Dr. Seuss. Here is his winning entry:

"Funny, Funny"

I am funny
You are funny
He is funny
She is funny
Bunnies are funny
Money is good!

CAMPBELL'S LABELS

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