



**Oak Hill Elementary School
August/September 2018 Newsletter**

“It is the mission of Oak Hill Elementary School to create a rigorous, safe, engaging learning environment where students are life-long learners in a diverse global community.”

Principal’s Message

August/September 2018

**IMPORTANT DATES TO
REMEMBER!**

Upcoming Dates:

August/September Reminders:

- 8/30 Ice Cream Social 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
- 9/3 No School - Labor Day
- 9/4 First Day of School for Oak Hill gr. 1-5
- 9/4, 9/5 Kindergarten conferences
- 9/4, 9/5, 9/6 Pre-K Conferences & ECI
- 9/6, 9/7, 9/10 Staggered days for kindergarten
- 9/7 First day for ECI
- 9/7-9/11 Pre-K staggered
- 9/11 All kindergarteners attend
- 9/12 All Pre-K attend
- 9/20 PTO Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- 9/20 Back to School Night 6:30 p.m.
- 9/28 Fall Movie Night

We hope that everyone had a relaxing summer, and we are looking forward to a productive 2018-2019 school year. This year, our motto continues to be Rise Above It as we continue to encourage children to persevere academically, socially, physically, and mentally.

Please join us in welcoming Nikki Johnson to the to the Oak Hill faculty. She will be joining our second grade team. In addition, Diane Stotz will be our new Registered Nurse and Erin Monroe will be our Health Assistant.

Please mark your calendars for our Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 30 from 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. During this time, the PTO provides participants with ice cream in the cafeteria. In addition, students can visit their classrooms to meet their teachers. This was a successful event the last seven years as it helped with the “first day jitters.” Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten visits are optional since the students will attend conferences with their parents. Class lists will be posted at the entrance to Oak Hill on Wednesday, August 29 at 4:30 PM. Also, Back-to-School Night will be held on Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. This is an important informational night which provides parents with the opportunity to visit their child’s classroom and find out about the daily schedule, curriculum, homework policies, and much more.

School hours will remain the same with the instructional day beginning at 9:00 a.m. It is beneficial for students to arrive at 8:45 a.m. so they can enter the building and get organized for the school day. Due to supervision factors, students should not arrive at school earlier than 8:40 a.m. The school day ends at 3:25 p.m. Bus riders and car riders will be dismissed beginning at 3:25 p.m. with walkers dismissing at 3:35 p.m.

As we continue with our green initiative, all newsletters will be sent via Connect Ed email in addition to being posted on the school website, which can be accessed directly from the Anne Arundel County Public School’s website at www.aacps.org. Its contents contain the information you and your child(ren) need to know to prepare for and to begin a successful school year.

I look forward to seeing you at the Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 30, 2018.

Sincerely,

Deneen Houghton

Principal

Supply List 2018–2019

First Grade

- 1 headphone with ear cushion
- Backpack/book bag (non-rolling)
- 4 boxes of 24 Crayola crayons
- 1 pair blunt end scissors
- 15 glue sticks (white)
- 1 yellow highlighter
- 3 pkgs. (12count) #2 sharpened pencils (Ticonderoga)
- 1 plastic pencil box
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 Hand sanitizer, Purell gel, Alcohol Free, Pump 7oz.
- 2 big erasers pink
- 1 set of Markers, Washable, and Wide Tip Classic Colors (8pk)
- 1 pack of post-it notes 3 X 3 yellow
- 1 Folder 2pocket no prongs (yellow)
- 2 plastic pocket folders with prongs, 1 red & 1 blue
- 3 fine tip black dry erase markers
- 3 wide-ruled primary writing journals
- 1 wide-ruled primary story journal (has blank space to draw at the top of the page)
- 1 pack sandwich bags (girls)
- 1 pack gallon bags (boys)

Second Grade

- 1 headphone with ear cushion
- 1 set of colored pencils sharpened
- 3 marble composition books
- 3 folders with pockets no brads green, red, yellow (plastic)
- 1 pack **wide rule** notebook paper
- 1 Elmer's school glue, washable, 4oz. white
- 1 blunt pair of scissors 5"
- 1 highlighter (yellow)
- 8 glue sticks
- 1 school pencil box
- 2 boxes crayons (24) only
- 1 box markers, washable classic colors wide tip 8/set
- 4 dozen pencils #2
- 4 pink erasers, large
- 1 box of tissues hypo-allergenic (200 ct.)
- 1 hand sanitizer - 8 oz
- 2 black dry erase markers
- 2 packs of post it notes with lines
- 1 hand pencil sharpener
- 1 pack gallon bags (girls)
- 1 pack quart bags (boys)
- \$4.15 Homework Agenda

Third Grade

- 1 headphone with ear cushion
- 2 Marble composition notebook, wide ruled, 100sheets (black marble)
- 4 spiral notebooks wide rule 70ct (blue, red, yellow, green)
- 1 Purell hand sanitizer, green certified, gel pump 8oz.
- 2 pair scissors (Fiskar preferred)
- 2 boxes of tissues, hypo allergenic
- 4 packs Oriole pencils #2 (sharpened)
- 1 sharpener pencil & crayon dbl barrel
- 2 red pens
- 1 zipper pencil pouch (no boxes)
- 2 highlighters (yellow)
- 1 box crayons (12)
- 12 pack Glue Stick
- 1 box colored pencils 12 (no markers)
- 1 pkg. Wide-ruled loose-leaf paper
- 3 packs 3x3 sticky notes (yellow)
- 4 folders (blue, red, green, and yellow) plastic (2 pockets)
- 2 big erasers
- 1 pack 3x5 index cards ruled, white
- 1 pack sandwich bags (girls)
- 1 pack gallon bags (boys)
- \$4.15 Homework Agenda

Fourth Grade

- 1 headphone with ear cushion
- Backpack/book bag (non-rolling)
- 3 pkgs. of pencils #2 sharpened (no lead pencil)
- 1 box crayons, 12pack
- 2 highlighters, chisel tip (yellow)
- 1 pack of colored pencils 12pack
- 1 pair scissors 5"
- 4 post it notes 3x3 yellow
- 1 pk of index cards 3x5 ruled 100/pk (white)
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 box of tissues, hypo allergenic
- 1 pencil pouch with zipper (no box)
- 2 packs of Wide Ruled loose leaf paper
- 6 composition books
- 2 dry erase markers chisel tip, low odor-black
- 6 2-pocket folders without brads 2 red. 2 blue, 2 yellow
- 1 Purell hand sanitizer, green certified, gel pump 8oz.
- 1 pack sandwich bags (last name A - M)
- 1 pack gallon bags (last name N - Z)
- Activity Fee - \$20.00
- \$4.15 Homework Agenda

Fifth Grade

- 1 headphone with ear cushions
- Backpack/book bag (non-rolling)
- 2 dozen pencils #2 (no lead pencils)
- 1 box of 12 colored pencils
- 1 pair scissors
- 3 glue sticks
- 1 box of tissues hypo allergenic (200 ct.)
- 2 red pencils or pens
- 1 highlighter
- 1 soft pencil pouch
- 1 - 1 inch binder
- 2 packs notebook paper (wide rule)
- 3 composition books marbled wideruled black (100 sheets)
- 1 divider (5 tabs)
- 2 pocket folders
- 1 sharpener, Pencil & crayon, dbl barrel canister
- 1 pack page markers ½"x1.75", Fluor, 10pd/pk
- 1 Purell hand sanitizer, green certified, gel pump 8oz.
- 1 pack of dry erase markers (3 pack)
- 1 pack quart bags (girls)
- 1 pack gallon bags (boys)
- \$20.00 Activity Fee


Kindergarten Supplies

- 1 headphone with ear cushion
- 1 water color paint pallet (8 colors)
- 1 pack dry erase markers (4pack) Low odor
- 24 Glue sticks
- 1 packs sharpened # 2 pencils (24 packs)
- 4 boxes of Crayola crayons (24 pack)
- 2 box of tissues hypo allergenic (200 ct.)
- 1 pack of anti-bacterial wipes
- 2 primary composition (not wide ruled must say primary Composition) ½
• "ruling ~ blank spot at top of page for drawings
- 1 box freezer bags (Sandwich and Gallon)
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- Activity Fee - \$25.00
- Weekly Reader - \$6.00
- Kindergarten Shirt -\$8.00
- **** Do not write names on supplies****
- **** Bring all supplies to the scheduled conference****



New Student Orientation

Students in K–5 who are new to Oak Hill for the 2018-2019 school year are welcome to a new student orientation on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 9 AM .



Posting Class Lists

The beginning of the school year is very exciting for the children. We know that they are anxious to find out who their teachers and classmates are. Therefore, at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 29, 2018 class lists will be posted in the windows of the school's main entrance.

Dismissal

If your child is a car rider, please pick him/her up around the side of the building where car riders are dismissed. Please wait in line until the staff member directs your child to your car. Several cars load at once. Children will not be permitted to move away from the side of the building until all cars have come to a stop.

It is important to make sure your child meets you in the car riders' line in the side parking lot. Parking in the faculty lot can cause a dangerous situation as students try to cross through the bus lane. Safety is our number one priority, and we appreciate your patience and cooperation as you help us keep the children safe.

Changes in your child's dismissal procedure

The school must be notified in writing of any change to a student's usual method of going home. **Children are not permitted to ride a different bus without a parent first completing a special request form.** This form must be completed and submitted to the office at **least 24 hours in advance.** Please note that county policy **does not allow students to ride a different bus for "play date" purposes.**

Procedures for Car Riders

Please adhere to our arrival and dismissal procedures to make things flow as smoothly as possible. If you need to leave your car for any reason (including walking your child to the door, speaking to another adult, etc.), please park your vehicle in a designated parking space. Please drop off and pick up your child in the car riders' loop which is in the side parking lot. For the safety of our students, we ask that you do not drop them off in the staff lot or in the bus loop.

In addition, Oak Hill has students attending our ECI class who are two, three, and four years old. The ECI teachers greet their students who are car riders as they arrive in the side parking lot line. Please be patient as the little ones often take longer to get out of their cars.

Thank you for your support in our arrival and dismissal procedures.

Visitors and School Safety



The safety of all students and staff members in Anne Arundel County Public Schools is of utmost importance to all of us. Our school will continue using the computerized system for checking in all visitors. When people visit Oak Hill for the first time, they will be asked to present a government-issued **photo ID**. This card will be scanned and the following information will be collected: the person's photo, name, and date of birth. This information will be utilized to check the visitor in, create an ID badge, and compare his/her information against sexual offender databases throughout the country. If the visitor's name appears on any of the lists or if he/she refuses to allow the use of his/her ID, the visitor will not gain access to the school. All parents are required to check into the system even if they are only coming to school to pick up their child(ren). The information collected will not be disseminated beyond the school building, and it is kept on a secure server. We appreciate your patience as we navigate through the check-in process to ensure the safety of all.

All volunteers, including chaperones, must complete a background investigation form every two years, at least two weeks before a field trip or volunteering in the building. To complete a Background Check form, please follow the instructions below:

1. **Go to www.aacps.org.**
2. **Move your mouse over the "School Security" tab and click.**
3. **On the left side of the screen, click "Chaperone/Background Check."**
4. **Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "Apply for a Background Check."**
5. **Begin the online verification process and follow the prompts.**
6. **You will receive a confirmation email stating that they received your background check.**

Any questions or request for technical assistance, should be directed to Inquiries, Inc. at 410-819-3711 or 1-866-987-3767.

Oak Hill Elementary School is equipped with a video camera system. It covers selected interior areas of the building as well as exterior public portions of the building and grounds. It is not monitored constantly, but it is monitored during emergency situations. During certain events when the safety and security of students may be in question, authorized personnel from local, state, or federal police or fire emergency units may be given access to view images projected on the camera system. If you have any questions about the system, you should call the Supervisor of School Security at 410-222-5083.

Birthday Treats

Birthdays are special, and we know your child wants to celebrate. As part of our eat-healthy movement, **cupcakes or other food treats to are not permitted for birthdays.** With so many different food allergies and parents requesting their children to eat healthy food, it is best to eliminate the many food treats that come in the building throughout the year for birthdays. Parents are welcome to bring in non-food related items such as birthday pencils, stickers, and erasers.



Newsletter



As we continue to “go green,” the combined school and PTO newsletter will be available on our website. However, if you need to receive a paper copy, please complete the form below and return it to the school office before September 14, 2018.

Yes, I need to receive paper copies of the school and PTO newsletters.

Parent's Name _____

Student's Name _____

Grade _____

Teacher's Name _____

Please return to the main office by Tuesday, September 14, 2018.

Positive Behavior Interventions and Support Program



We are happy to share that we earned the GOLD award this year for our outstanding implementation of PBIS! We were able to demonstrate growth in all areas and reduce discipline infractions. A big thanks goes out to students, teachers, parents, and staff members who helped us achieve our goal!

We will continue with the Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) framework. We hope to continue building a social culture in our school building that will encourage positive behaviors and interactions, while discouraging negative behaviors. The foundation of the approach emphasizes teaching students the behaviors we expect to see, reminding them to use those behaviors, acknowledging them when they do, and correcting them when they do not.

Like last year, PBIS will be implemented by:

- ◆ Focusing on the three school-wide expectations for all students and staff: be respectful, be responsible, and be ready to learn
- ◆ Providing direct instruction of the expected behaviors through lessons
- ◆ Organizing routines and transitions for students and staff (arrival, dismissal, hallway transitions, cafeteria rules)
- ◆ Acknowledging expected behaviors through the use of positive reinforcements on a daily basis
- ◆ Responding to problem behaviors with consistent and mild consequences that are focused on re-teaching the expectations

We will hold quarterly incentive events to reward students who demonstrate excellent behaviors throughout the quarter. Students not invited to attend due to an office referral or more than one Stop and Think sheet will be supervised by a staff member.

If you are interested in helping with PBIS this year, please let Ms. Kleiderlein know. We will need assistance cutting bird bucks, obtaining teacher incentives from businesses, and purchasing raffle prizes. Thank you!

School Meal Prices for 2018—2019:

- Breakfast ~ \$1.50
- Lunch ~ \$2.75
- Lunch ~ Reduced Price \$.40
- Milk 1/2 pint ~ \$.55 (a la carte)



Federal Impact AID Survey Forms

On Friday, September 28, 2018, your child will bring home a Federal Impact Aid Survey form. Please assist us by filling out the information requested on the form and return it to Oak Hill Elementary School.

The US Department of Education is now allowing a multiple child form. Therefore, AACPS has designed a form that will allow two children's names for your convenience. Should you have more than two children, please utilize a second form that you can obtain either from the school or download from the AACPS website at www.aacps.org/students. Also, please note that the **complete address of Parent/Guardian's Employer if they work on Federal Property, the complete address of the Federal Property on which they work, and each survey form must be signed and dated by the parent/guardian.** The Federal Impact Aid Survey form for 2018-2019 will be available to download on September 28, 2018.

We will be using our Connect Ed Automated Telephone Notification System to remind everyone about the significance of completing and returning this survey. The school system receives approximately \$2 million in funding from the Federal government in support of our children after forms are processed.

Thank you in advance for your support and assistance. Should you have any questions regarding this information, please call 410-222-5200.

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