



OAKVIEW NEWS

DECEMBER 2021

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Happy December Oakview families!

We hope that this December finds you relaxed after a nice Thanksgiving Break. We enjoyed seeing so many parents at Parent Teacher Conferences, on zoom and in person to discuss your child and their progress so far. As always, please know you can reach out to teachers, Mr. Lesniak, or myself if you have any questions or concerns.

We would like to congratulate the Girls Basketball team and Coach Baldermann on an amazing season and their Conference Champions title! We are so proud of all the hard work you have put in all season!

This month will be filled with different learning opportunities and fun activities. We are inviting our students to join us in a countdown to winter break. There are some fun dress up days as well as fun activities we will be doing with students throughout the next 3 weeks. Please look for the calendar of activities in our newsletter and the grade level newsletters being sent out by teachers.

Happy Winter!

Ms. Baumann and Mr. Lesniak

DECEMBER CALENDAR

14 - NLSD School Board Meeting - 6:00 @ Martino

17 - HOMEROOM Dress up WARS

Dec. 20 - Jan. 3 - Winter Break

January 4 - Return to School



Countdown to Winter Break!

Student Edition

DECEMBER	2021	1	2	3
			Bundle up for a 15 minute extra recess! 6th 10:25--10:40 5th 9:50-10:05 4th 7:40-7:55	
6	7	8	9	10
Bedazzle your outfit! Wear an ugly holiday shirt, snowflake shirt or something shiny or glittery!		Do a Random Act of kindness for someone this week!		Green day- Wear some Oakview green today!
13	14	15	16	17
Candy Cane day- Wear something Red and White today!		Snuggle up and wear a favorite pair of pajamas today!	Coding fun with your principals! Learn how to code using an app on your ipad!	Chill with a good book in your lunch location! Students can preorder TCBY or Johnny pops for our drop everything and read activity! 9:30-9:50 6th grade 10:00-10:20 5th grade 10:30-10:50 4th grade



Notes from the Music Room



Welcome to the 2nd trimester of music at Oster-Oakview School. We have been doing a great job remembering the rules and expectations of the music room. We continue to move forward with developing our music skills.

For Veteran's Day, all grade levels learned about John Philip Sousa and listened to one of his most famous pieces titled "*The Stars and Stripes Forever*". We talked about note values and learned some choreography using a tennis ball. They had a lot of fun trying not to drop the ball.

Fourth grade students started working on how to read notes on the music staff. They started by identifying if a note was on a line or in a space. They also had to identify what number line or space the note is located. We will continue to progress with learning how to read the notes on the staff as well as practice reading the music by playing simple melodies on the keyboard instruments (xylophone, metallophone, bells, etc.) and Boomwhackers.

Fifth grade and sixth grade students have been working with the performance art of body percussion. We watched a professional body percussion performer and then we started with a very simple body percussion piece titled "Sevens" and performed it with the song *Dance Monkey* by Tones and I. We then started putting together a body percussion piece with the song *Believer* by Imagine Dragons. We talked a bit about triplets and how they fit into a beat. We will continue learning the choreography and mastering the rhythms for the *Believer* body percussion piece. This trimester we will be bringing out the buckets for the ever-exciting unit: Bucket Drumming.

Mrs. McCure's class have been learning different fall and Thanksgiving songs. We have also been listening to music and learning different dances with scarves and ribbon wands. We have special greetings for each student and I love how they are remembering their greeting as well as their classmates' greetings. We will continue this trimester with learning songs about Christmas and winter. We will also continue to use different instruments to accompany the songs that we learn.

I look forward to making some beautiful music this trimester!

- Mrs. Ruklic





Dear Parents & Guardians,

As many of you know, this year we will be continuing with the educational program titled Kids in the Know. Kids in the Know was developed in order to teach personal safety strategies to children. The program's purpose is to reduce child victimization by teaching lessons on personal safety, including sexual abuse safety. Due to the sensitive nature of this problem, I want to provide further information regarding the October & November lessons for each grade level:

Fourth Grade Lessons:

- Seven Root Safety Strategies
- Expanding the Circle of Protection Around Children
- Common Lures
- Home Alone
- Online Safety

Fifth Grade Lessons:

- Seven Root Safety Strategies
- Circle of Protection
- Boundaries
- Common Lures
- Home Alone
- Online Safety

Sixth Grade Lessons:

- Seven Root Safety Strategies
- Circle of Protection
- Boundaries and Instrints
- Common Lures
- Online Safety

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Kids in the Know program, please feel free to contact me at (815) 485-2125 or justice@nlsd122.org. More information regarding the program can be found at: <https://www.kidsintheknow.ca/app/en/about>

As always, thank you for your continued support and partnership in keeping our children safe!

Sincerely,
Jillian Justice, L.S.W.
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Hello Oster-Oakview Family and Friends,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving Break! The students will be playing floor hockey to wrap up 2021! The students will be learning how to stick handle, pass, and shoot a puck. The students then will be learning some offensive and defensive strategies associated with hockey (like being a goalie). Once those strategies are introduced and understood, we will be playing modified games of hockey called "Zone Hockey". This unit should take us right into Winter Break! I hope all of you have great winter break and see you in 2022!

Go Eagles!

Mr. Kman



Lines from the LRC

When we return from break we are diving into the world of coding. All grade levels will be utilizing lessons from the Google app Playgrounds. Ms. Baumann introduced the students to Playgrounds before Winter Break and we are excited to build our coding skills!

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Lasak



NLSD 122 PTO CORNER

Current events: Pie sale is currently going on and we are so excited to partner with our very own FLECKENSTEIN'S in New Lenox. Pie orders are to be in by December 3rd. Pick up will be Saturday, December 18th from 7a.m.-3:30p.m. This is a great way to support local and our wonderful school district. Please make checks payable to NLSD 122 PTO.

Pizza kits will be available for purchase starting December 1st.

BINGO is January 21st, so mark your calendars! If you know of any business' looking to donate baskets for raffle, please reach out to us on Facebook messenger or www.newlenoxpto.org.

BOWLING will be held in February. We are looking for 2 people to co-chair this event. Please reach out if you are interested.

5K walk/run for Mental Health and Wellness registration opens for Black Friday on November 26th. The event will be held on Saturday, May 21st. Registrants 12 and under will receive a t-shirt, bib and timing chip with their registration. There will also be a Wellness Fair as well with local businesses that promote mental wellness. Volunteers are needed for this event.

Chicago Wolves Hockey would like to do a fundraiser with the PTO. If you are interested in helping, this is an easy way to get involved.

****We would like to send a GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all that contribute with our fundraisers. This all could not be possible without YOU!**

****If you would like to VOLUNTEER for anything please reach out to us. Being involved with the PTO is so rewarding.**

Next meeting is December 16th at 7:30 p.m. at Martino Jr. High School. Their own band/choir will be there as well. Come out, we would love to meet you!

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5K RUN/WALK

FOR MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS

Saturday, May 21, 2022

9am | New Lenox Commons

Featuring:

- Chip & bib 5K run/walk
- Wellness Fair
- Free fitness classes
- Youth activities
- Food trucks

Donations accepted, and sponsorships are available.

This is a non-profit event. All proceeds and donations will be evenly presented to 2 nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations: NAMI Will-Grundy and NLSD122 PTO.

TO LEARN MORE & REGISTER
visit bit.ly/5kNewLenox
or scan this image



NAMI Will-Grundy (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is based out of Joliet, IL. Its mission is to provide advocacy, education, support and public awareness so that all individuals and families affected by mental illness can build better lives.

The NLSD 122 PTO (New Lenox School District 122 Parent/Teacher Organization) raises funds to help better the students/ education and wellness through library, music, art and physical education program enhancements, replenishing indoor and outdoor recess equipment, academic support grants and assemblies as well as teacher reimbursements and student scholarships.



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You Can*

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FOR MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS