

Oak Run Warriors



Dates to Remember:

MONDAY'S ARE MINIMUM DAYS – DISMISSAL AT 1:45 PM

Wednesday 3/11/20 – Regular Board Meeting 3:00 pm

Thursday 3/12/20 – Pi Night 4:30-7:00 pm

4/6/20-4/13/20 - Spring Break **NO SCHOOL**

Every Friday is **SPIRIT DAY!** Wear school **teal** and **grey** or **Oak Run T-Shirts**



Oak Run Elementary School

~ A Public Montessori School

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Oak Run Elementary School Families,

I regret to inform you that my last day as superintendent/principal of Oak Run Elementary School will be Friday, February 28. I have accepted a position with the newly formed Mountain Valley JPA as their director of special education. In this role I will continue to serve Oak Run School District as well as many other small Shasta County schools.

Over the past 5 weeks the board and I have been working to find a temporary replacement with the intention of hiring a fulltime superintendent/principal this summer. While we have not made our final decision, we have met with some very qualified candidates and the board will be making an appointment very soon.

I want to thank all of you for inviting me into your children's lives, your school, and your community. My time and the connections that I have made while serving the district have been life changing. You have provided me the opportunity to grow as a leader while building a great team of educators and educational programs. While there is much work to be done at Oak Run School, I feel confident that the staff and board will continue to reach the goals we have set under new leadership.

In deepest gratitude,
Sue Cooper

We are looking forward to a double session of **Saturday school tomorrow, February 22** from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, with free breakfast and lunch at 8:00 and 12:30 pm. Mr. Adam will be the teacher-in-charge and the class will be held in room 1. Mr. Adam will be serving breakfast and lunch.

Last Saturday, students made up **20 attendance days** with Ms. Zollars! Thank you families, students and Ms. Zollars for your help and dedication. By working together we can improve our numbers and save our funding.

We will hold Saturday school every Saturday through May 30, 2020.

All three of our credentialed teachers have offered to work in rotation for these make-up days. *Please note that bussing services are not available for Saturday school.*

If your child has missed **any** days of school, and you would like them to participate in our Saturday school sessions, please contact the office or myself to save your spot. Please call or stop by if you have questions about our funding situation or Saturday school.

Thank you all in advance for your help!

Parent Involvement: All parents and community members are welcome to attend our monthly Board Meetings and School Site Council/District Advisory Committee meetings. Meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the ORESD Office. Our next regular board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 11 and our School Site Council/District Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, February 26 at 3:00 PM. Both meetings are held in the ORESD Office.

Community Involvement: Oak Run Community Newsletter (formally known as the Acorn) is seeking business owners to purchase advertisement space. Please contact Cindy Shaw for more info or to place an ad! Poohshaw57@yahoo.com

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Preschool News

Week of February 19, 2020

Make way for ducklings!

Today the Simonis family shared their four delightful ducklings with our class. We learned how to gently hold the wiggly ducklings, and watched as they ate food and drank water from a dish. Thomas explained that he is raising these ducklings, and they will grow to be ducks that can live near the pond on his family's property.

Our theme this week is all about pets and how to care for them. We have been reading about and discussing the importance of properly caring for our pets.



A group of ducks are most commonly known as a raft, paddling, team, flock, bunch, plump, skein or waddling. **Raft of Ducks** - A raft of ducks is a group of ducks gathered in large flocks on water. All ducks possess highly waterproof feathers due to an intricate feather structure and a waxy coating spread on each feather while preening. The duck's under layer of feathers stays completely dry even when they dive underwater.

Paddling of Ducks - A paddling is a flock of swimming ducks. Ducks are both omnivorous and opportunistic eaters and can be found on land eating grass, insects, seeds and fruits. While on water, they can eat aquatic plants, fishes and crustaceans. A duck's specialized bill features a hard nail at the tip and a comb-like structure on the sides to help with foraging in mud and straining small insects and crustaceans from water.

Waddling of Ducks - A duck's walk is referred to as a waddle. For this reason, a waddling of ducks is a group of ducks walking with short steps and tilting their body from side to side. They're precocial, meaning that ducklings can walk and leave the nest a few hours after hatching.

Plump/Dopping of Ducks - A plump or dopping of ducks is a group of diving ducks that sink their heads in water in search of food. They also like mixing their food with water to make it softer and easier to swallow. **Skein of Ducks** - Groups of ducks flying together are known as skeins. Some species of ducks tend to fly in V-shaped formation, especially when migrating. They're incredibly vulnerable during their molting season as the process stops them from flying. They can live 5 to 10 years in the wild and more than eight years in captivity.

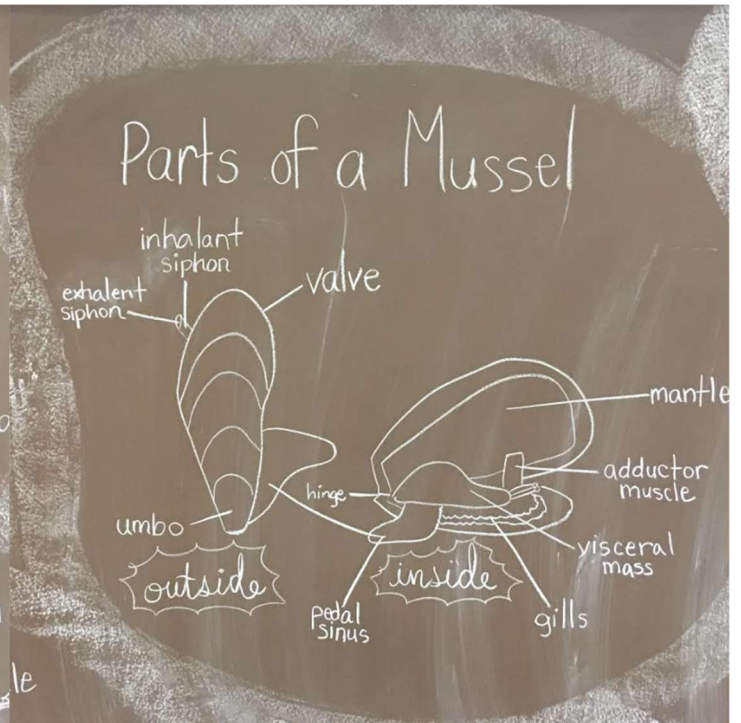
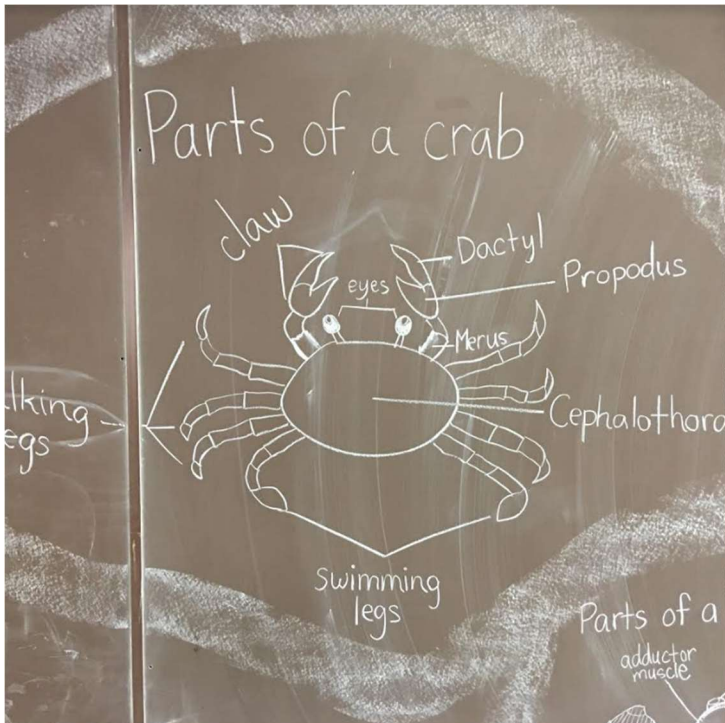




MONTESSORI FOR ALL

Greetings!

This week, we received a gift from the sea: mussels, crab shells, plus an assortment of rocks and driftwood, courtesy of our reading coach, Mrs. Sparks. So, what does a curious Montessori class do? Learn the parts, of course, to expand our knowledge of the natural world.



Ms. Anne's 3rd-5th Grade Class
Upper Elementary



STAY TUNED



Ms. Zollars' 6th-8th Grade Class



Middle School CLASSROOM NEWS



Dear Families,

What a lovely short week! This week, we continued *The Outsiders* and practiced quoting literature to support our position in writing, part of our state standards. We are finishing assessments in English and Math using IXL, an online program which will be replacing iReady next year. Right now, we have access to both. We "built" atoms using Stemscoptes' interactive models of protons, neutrons, and electrons, showing positive and negative charges, stability, and mass number. We continue working on reading comprehension, math, and Roman history, which will culminate in "Rome Day" next Friday. Students also started a short research paper on a history topic of their choice using MLA format. Their third book report is due Tuesday Feb. 25; instructions are in google classroom. PLEASE consider coming to **Saturday school** if you have any absences!!

Best wishes and please let me know any concerns,

Michele Zollars

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After-school programs

Academic Tutoring - Ms. Zollars in Room # 5 and Ms. Lisa in Room #4

Wednesdays 2:45 -3:15 and Thursdays 2:45 -3:15

Garden Club - Mr. Adam Room in Oak Run School Garden or Room # 1

Wednesdays 2:45 -4:00 and Thursdays 2:45 -4:00

Music Lessons - Ms. Becky in Room # 3

Tuesdays - Keyboard 2:30 -3:00 or Ukulele 3:00 -3:30, 3:30 -4:00

Fridays - Ukulele 2:30 -3:00 or Keyboard 3:00 -3:30, 3:30 -4:00

Theatre Club – Ms. Anne in Room # 6

Thursdays 2:45-4:00

Permission slips are available in the main office or by the activity instructor.

Please feel free contact the instructors with any questions or concerns.

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LIBRARY

Library in Progress!

Over the past few weeks, work has begun revamping the Oak Run School library. We have registered with an online cataloging system, so students will be able to search for any book we own online. We have a new scanner and barcode system so that every book will be easy for students to check in and out. Work is under way to reorganize what books are in the library and also to order new, up-to-date fiction and non-fiction titles. We are excited to get things up and running for students to use by the end of the year.

~Hope Zollars





Week of Feb 24th - Feb 28th

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
B: Cherry Smoothie or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Blueberry Cobbler Eggs or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Potates and Eggs or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Biscuits and Gravy or Cereal with Fruit & Milk	B: Blueberry Pancakes or Cereal with Fruit & Milk
L: Grilled Cheese Sandwich, and Tomato Soup with Fruit & Milk	L: Beef Stroganoff and Broccoli with Fruit & Milk	L: Chicken Stir Fry with Peanut Sauce, Brown Rice with Fruit & Milk	L: Philly Cheese Steak Sloppy Joe and Salad with Fruit & Milk	L: Chicken Strips, French Fries and Garlic Toast With Fruit & Milk
*Breakfast is served with 1 cup of fresh fruit, lunch is served with ½ cup of fresh fruit and all meals are served with 8 oz. 1% or fat-free milk.				



OAK RUN ELEMENTARY

A Public Montessori School

Our preschool is under Title V regulations with the state pre-school program code of education

Oak Seed Preschool

Currently - must be 3 on or before September, 2018

Next year - must be 3 on or before December 2, 2019

Is now accepting

Private pay - must fill out paperwork, but not income eligibility info - can start as soon as age 3-

Enrollment applications

Title 22 - sliding scale/Full pay Student must be 3 to start/can start any time during the school year as long as they are 3 and potty independent

for the 2019-2020

school year!

Apply online at

www.shastacoe.org

or

43 Hilltop Dr, Redding

(530) 225-2999

PreK-8th Grade

Come Join Us!



OAK RUN
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OAK SEED PRESCHOOL FOR AGES 3-5

Our students appreciate the traditions and pride of the community. Come and visit our school where students are safe, respectful, responsible and productive. We always have room for you!

Our new preschool director's years of experience combined with Mr Adam's expertise in designing an AMI primary Montessori environment have created an outstanding program for children aged 3-6.

Application information:
43 Hilltop Drive, Redding
530-225-2999 • shastacoe.org

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ATTENTION 4th GRADE PARENTS



HOME

HOW IT WORKS

GET YOUR PASS

PLAN A TRIP

Rules and instructions

Official rules

- The pass is for U.S. fourth-grade (or home-school equivalent) students.
- The pass is for the 2019 to 2020 school year. It expires August 31, 2020.
- Students can't transfer the pass to anyone else.
- We can't accept electronic versions of this paper for access or to exchange for a pass.
- No refunds are given for previously purchased passes, or if you forget your pass when you visit.
- If you lose your pass, get a new one by visiting the website and signing up again.
- Educators can get one paper pass for each of their fourth-grade students.
- This program only provides passes for fourth graders.

How it works

- Show your pass to a ranger when you enter. If there is no ranger, leave it on the dashboard of your car.
- If you visit a site that charges entrance fees per person— The pass admits all children under 16 and up to three adults for free.
- If your group visits a site that charges vehicle entrance fees - The pass admits all children under 16 and all adults in up to one passenger vehicle. Commercial vehicles can't use a pass to get in.
- If you arrive at a site on bicycle— The pass admits all children under 16 and up to three adults on bicycles.
- The pass doesn't cover things like parking fees, camping, boats, and special tours. Also, some sites are managed by private operators. They may not honor the pass. Check with the site ahead of time to find out.
- The pass doesn't cover fees for local, city, or state parks and recreation areas unless they say that they accept this pass.
- Paper passes can be exchanged for plastic passes at certain sites.

Did you know that fourth graders, who participate in the Every Kid Outdoors program, are eligible for a free Christmas tree permit? The Every Kid Outdoors program introduces 4th graders to the public lands in their own backyards and beyond. To receive a free Christmas tree permit, 4th graders with the help of their parents, need to visit the website www.everykidoutdoors.gov and follow the steps to obtain their pass. Once complete, they can download and print their pass.

Teachers may also visit the website and download lesson plans to complete with their 4th grade students and print passes for them. Fourth graders must then accompany a parent to any Shasta-Trinity National Forest office in order to receive their free Christmas Tree permit.

Permits may be purchased through mail or by going to the Shasta-Trinity National Forest Headquarters off of Avtech Parkway, Shasta Lake Ranger Station in Mountain Gate, Mt. Shasta Ranger Station, McCloud Ranger Station Weaverville Ranger Station, Harrison Gulch Ranger Station, and Hayfork Ranger Station.

Please go to www.fs.usda.gov/stnf for more information or call (530) 226-2500.

INTERESTING FACT: Did you know that the Christmas Tree that will be placed at the Sacramento Capitol came out of the Shasta County from the Latour Mountain Demonstration Forest (located between Shingletown and Whitmore). [Article link](#)



Concerned your teen might vape?

**Tuesday, March 17, 2020
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Stop by any time)
Sequoia Middle School-McLaughlin Auditorium
1805 Sequoia St., Redding**

Come to this **FREE** event to:

- Discover products popular with teens
- Identify signs of nicotine use
- Learn the damage nicotine has on the teen brain
- Access programs to help your teen quit

Featuring speakers from:

**Athletes Don't Vape, Shasta County HHSA,
California Youth Advocacy Network, and other community experts.**

Registration is required!

[Click here to register](#)

For more information, contact Marie Hyres at 225-0241.



ATTEND TO ACHIEVE

ABSENCES ADD UP



Did You Know?

Starting in Kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.

Missing 10% (18 days) can make it harder to learn key skills, like reading.

Absences can affect the whole classroom.



What You Can Do

Don't let your child stay home unless he/she is truly sick. Keep in mind that complaints of tummy aches may be a sign of anxiety; talk to your child's teacher or counselor.

Avoid extended trips when school is in session; consult the school calendar to see when breaks occur.

Set up a regular bedtime as well as morning and evening routines.



When Do Absences Become a Problem?

Chronic absence: Two or more days per month (excused and unexcused)

Warning Signs: One-two days per month or more than three days in a row.

Satisfactory: One or fewer absences per month.



"EVERY STUDENT, EVERY OPTION"

New CDE Mobile App Helps Families Find Summer and Afterschool Meal Program Locations

THE CDE'S CA MEALS FOR KIDS HAS JUST RELEASED A MOBILE APP THAT ALLOWS USERS TO FIND THE CALIFORNIA'S SUMMER AND AFTERSCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS SITES IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. THESE PROGRAMS PROVIDE NO-COST MEALS TO CHILDREN AGED EIGHTEEN AND UNDER. FAMILIES, COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL CAN USE LOCATION-BASED SEARCHES TO FIND MEAL SITES, DATES, AND TIMES. THE APP ALSO ALLOWS FOR SEARCHES BY SITE NAME, ZIP CODE, AND CITY.

The CA Meals for Kids mobile app is available for free download through Apple's [App Store](#), Google's [Play Store](#), and Microsoft's [App Store](#) Web pages. More information is available on the CDE [CA Meals for Kids Mobile Application](#) support Web page.

QUESTIONS: CDE MOBILE APPS | CDEMOBILE@CDE.CA.GOV

ATTENDANCE in the early grades

Many of our youngest students miss 10 percent of the school year—about 18 days a year or just two days every month. Chronic absenteeism in kindergarten, and even preK, can predict lower test scores, poor attendance and retention in later grades, especially if the problem persists for more than a year. Do you know how many young children are chronically absent in your school or community?



Who Is Affected

Kindergarten and 1st grade classes often have absenteeism rates as high as those in high school. Many of these absences are excused, but they still add up to lost time in the classroom.

1 in 10 kids

in kindergarten and 1st grade are chronically absent. In some schools, it's as high as 1 in 4.¹



2 in 10 low-income kids miss too much school. They're also more likely to suffer academically.²

2.5 in 10 homeless kids are chronically absent.³

4 in 10 transient kids miss too much school when families move.³

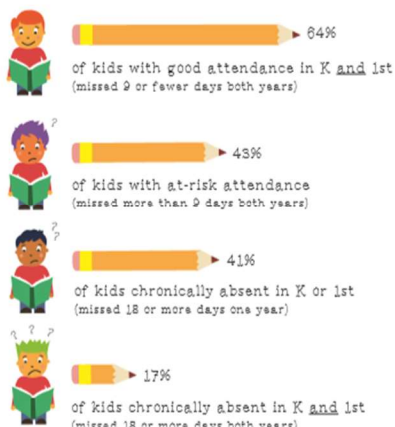


Why It Matters

If children don't show up for school regularly, they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3rd grade.

Who Can Read on Grade Level After 3rd Grade?³



What We Can Do



Engage Families

Many parents and students don't realize how quickly early absences can add up to academic trouble. Community members and teachers can educate families and build a culture of attendance through early outreach, incentives and attention to data.



Fix Transportation

The lack of a reliable car, or simply missing the school bus, can mean some students don't make it to class. Schools, transit agencies and community partners can organize car pools, supply bus passes or find other ways to get kids to school.



Address Health Needs

Health concerns, particularly asthma and dental problems, are among the leading reasons students miss school in the early grades. Schools and medical professionals can work together to give children and families health care and advice.



Track the Right Data

Schools too often overlook chronic absence because they track average attendance or unexcused absences, not how many kids miss too many days for any reason. Attendance Works has free data-tracking tools.

These are a few steps that communities and schools can take. How do you think you can help?

¹ Chang, Hedy; Romero, Maria Jose. Present, Engaged and Accounted For: The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades. National Center for Children in Poverty. NY: NY, September 2008.

² Chronic Absence in Utah. Utah Education Policy Center at the University of Utah, 2012.

³ Attendance in Early Elementary Grades: Association with Student Characteristics, School Readiness and Third Grade Outcomes. Applied Survey Research. May 2011.

Oak Run Elementary School Bus Schedule

2019-2020 School Year

Redding and Palo Cedro

<u>Stop</u>	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>
#RR Redding @ Rare Air	6:55	3:45
#PC Palo Cedro @ Dahl Mortuary	7:05	3:35

Oak Run

<u>Stop</u>	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Afternoon</u>
#1 Leave Oak Run School	7:35	2:30
#2 28225 Oak Run to Fern Rd.	7:38	2:33
#3 28757 Oak Run to Fern Rd.	7:41	2:36
#4 14825 Phillips Rd.	7:45	2:40
#5 Thomas Rd. @ Phillips Rd.	7:46	2:41
#6 Frontier Rd. @ Phillips Rd.	7:52	2:47
#7 Cool Creek Lane	7:54	2:52
#8 Arrowpoint Rd.	8:03	2:58
#9 Oak Run Quarry on Oak Run Rd.	8:60	3:01
#10 Volbrecht Rd.	8:14	3:09
#11 School	8:16	3:10

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