



The Coyote Howler!

The Coyote Howler is the newsletter of the Oak Hills PTA

September 12, 2018

Dates to remember

September 17th - STEM Expo Statement of Intent Forms distributed via teachers

September 20th - Order your SpiritWear by midnight for this first group order

September 21st - 6:00pm Movie Night with Food Drive and Habit Food Truck (The Lego Movie begins at dusk)

Sept 30th - Last day to receive 15% off Yearbook purchase

Oct 1st & 2nd - No School - FALL BREAK

October 3rd - 6:30pm PTA Association Evening Meeting

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STEM Expo Packets distributed

October 5th - Reflections online registration and submissions due

October 19th
PTA Fall Fundraiser Event

Movie Night
Fri. Sept 21
The Lego Movie

Message from the Principal, Mrs. Wendy Maxwell

Hello Oak Hills Coyote Families,

Our 2018-2019 year is off to an incredible start!! Thank you parents for partnering with us to support our new beginning to the school year. Back to School Night was overwhelmingly positive and it really allowed for the students to arrive on the first day of school without any first day jitters. The Positive Behavior Interventions System (PBIS) kickoff assembly was a huge success even including a surprise visit by Cody the Coyote! Oak Hills was even featured in The Signal newspaper. The students have been showing wonderful behavior and earning Coyote tickets to use at our Coyote Corner store or if they choose to save them to participate in our Popsicle Picnic with Mrs. Seeley and I at the end of September. It will be a wonderful event!!

The Be Kind People Project (BKPP) that we are implementing to support our PBIS is focused on initiating positive social change. The Be Kind Pledge™ defines the skills of kindness and helps students understand what TO do instead of what NOT to do. The vision is to build a generation of respectful, responsible, healthy, and caring citizens and leaders. For the month of September, we will be focusing on "Being Supportive".

Our Accelerated Reader (AR) program is already underway. Students will be working for the next eleven weeks on their Trimester 1 goal. We will be offering another intro to Accelerated Reader program to parents at a PTA meeting soon.

Lastly we will be recognizing ALL students' birthdays on the intercom each week and they will be receiving a small gift from the administrative team. We recognized all of our July and August birthdays the last week of August.

Our students are #1!

Thank you for being wonderful,

Wendy Maxwell

Message from the PTA President, Alisa Miller

Happy September!

What a great start to the school year! We have an exciting year lined up with our new Principal Mrs. Maxwell, our new AP, Mrs. Seeley, and an amazing PTA E-board. I was thrilled to see new faces and encouraged by the number of attendees at our first PTA meeting. It was wonderful to meet new parents that want to be involved in our school!

This year's PTA theme is "Building our Future". We cannot do this without YOU! Our membership drive has been successful, but we have not reached our goal. Becoming a member of the PTA has many benefits to you, your child, and to our school:

- *demonstrates to your child the importance you place on education, volunteerism, and community participation.*
- *provides valuable experiences to make memories, learn about our school, and put your skills and hobbies to good use, for a good cause.*
- *provides the opportunity to meet other parents and teachers, and to make suggestions and provide your important personal input.*
- *helps to make positive changes to our school.*

Please visit our website, www.oakhillspta.com to become a member.

September brings our first PTA event: Movie Night and food drive. This is a great occasion to enjoy an evening with your family, meet new friends and engage with the PTA. Please keep an eye out for the flyer in your student's backpack.

In addition to becoming a member of the PTA, volunteering is an avenue to make an impact. Volunteers are needed throughout the year. Even an hour of your time will help our school be the best it can be!!! Please visit our website, www.oakhillspta.com for a complete list of volunteer opportunities.

Looking forward to an AWESOME year!!!

Sincerely,
Alisa Miller
alisahudsonmiller@gmail.com

Join us for our next PTA meeting:

Wednesday, October 3rd, 6:30pm in the MPR
Pizza and salad will be served.

We will be alternating morning and evening meetings this year!

PTA Membership:

Our 4th graders have been in the lead for winning extra recess time. But maybe another grade will surpass their participation... Want to see who will achieve 100% first? All stats can be found on our website at www.oakhillspta.com. By reaching 100%, we receive awards and money from the California State PTA!

Gratitude Attitude: Our space for giving thanks

*Our gratitude goes out to our new room parents, event chairs and volunteers who have signed-up this year.
Thank you SO much. We are lucky to have you at Oak Hills!*



Reflections:

REFLECTIONS is a great way for kids to express their artistic interests and even discover talents they never knew they had. The National PTA Reflections program is being celebrated here at Oak Hills! To learn more about the program and submit an entry, go to:

<https://www.oakhillspta.com/reflections.html>

Within the theme of "Hero's Around Me", art projects are due Oct 5th during drop-off in front of the school.

Need help getting started? We have two workshop days in the Fine Arts room with supplies. (parents must accompany children)

Grades 4-6 Tuesday, September 18th, 2:40-4pm

Grades K-3 Tuesday, September 25th, 2:40-4pm

Lastly, mark your calendar for November 28th, 6-8pm, for the Red Carpet Reflections Gala in Oak Hills MPR! Celebrate with popcorn, concessions, and live performances from community art groups leading up to the announcement of the winners.

Fall Fundraiser:

Every year the PTA helps to oversee the needs and development of our school. Our primary objective is to provide our school with funds, programs, resources and services that will enrich and maximize the education of every child. To meet this important objective and afford services that are not covered by our school budgets, we must raise funds. The money we raise helps to fund class trips, offer cultural enrichment program for all grades, brings art, reading and music programs and leads the most amazing STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) expo.

Our fundraising event this year will take place on October 19th and the theme and activities are developing under the lead of Fall Fundraiser Chairs, Cristy, Clover, and Alisa and the ever-creative and excited committee chairs. If you would like to join this committee please visit, www.oakhillspta.com and click on "Sign up to volunteer HERE". They are in need of many more hands.

Fall Festival:

Mark your Calendars! On the evening of October 26th we will be having our annual Oak Hills Fall Festival. Please join us for food, games, a costume contest and more fun surprises! This is a wonderful event for the entire family. If you would be interested in joining our planning committee or volunteering on the day of the event, please e-mail cloverkelly@hotmail.com or alisahudsonmiller@gmail.com.

Reminders:

- Stay up-to-date by checking our website regularly at www.oakhillspta.com.
- Please like us on Facebook for last minute updates and reminders.
- Spiritwear can be purchased on our website. Our first group order is due by September 20th.
- Fridays are Spiritwear Day. If you don't have Spiritwear yet, something navy or maroon works great!
- Volunteer opportunities are always posted on our website on the ever evolving SignUpGenius link.

Let's get social! oakhillspta.com facebook.com/OakHillsElementary instagram.com/oakhillscoyotes



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