

# Oak Run Warriors



**November 18, 2024**

**Dates to Remember:**

**November 25-29 - Thanksgiving Holiday Week -  
No School**



**December 18 - 6:00-8:00 -  
Christmas Program/Dessert**

## **Oak Run Elementary School**

**~ A Family Learning Style**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hi Oak Run Families!

Not only this week, but all of every school-year, the lessons we teach here tend to have the sentiment of Love threaded through. The word *LOVE* can hold significant meaning. While it is often associated with romantic relationships, it is essential to recognize that *LOVE* encompasses all types of connections and acts of kindness. I deeply value my students, my colleagues, and our community. We share relationships with each other in many forms, and it's important to acknowledge and celebrate this type of *LOVE* for one another.

When I asked my students to say, "I love you" aloud—not directed at any specific person but simply into the air—the responses vary. Some speak with confidence, while others find it difficult or are hesitant to express those words. I understand what it feels like to struggle with expressing or receiving words of love and the powerful emotions they carry.

Yet, without *LOVE*, we miss the foundation for becoming the best versions of ourselves. *LOVE* fuels our commitment and dedication, supports a living an honorable and compassionate life, and holds us accountable for our actions. Without it, there is a tendency to fall into mediocrity and uncertainty, and even fear. *LOVE* helps to diminish fear and opens the path to a fuller, more enriched life. It enables us to better learn, grow, and support one another in times of need.

I encourage you to tell your family members, "I love you," even when it's not expected, and as often as possible. Speaking these words out loud—beyond just assuming people know how we feel—creates a deeper connection and enhances our shared sense of value and belonging.

While it is important to be mindful of whom and what we choose to love, life without *LOVE* life can be empty and unfulfilled.

With lots of *LOVE*,

Mrs. Livingston



## **Mrs. Hanna's TK-3rd Grade**



**Greetings!**

**What a great time was had by all for connection when we went to Whitmore school on Tuesday.**

**It was wonderful to have Veterans Day off on Monday and to celebrate such a special holiday. It was even more wonderful to go to Whitmore school and celebrate Veterans Day with all the staff and students there. We burned two old and retired flags because.... “The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.” We also got to honor 2 of our amazing veterans. One of them talked to us and gave us some very insightful information about what he had been through and encouraged us. We got to have an amazing all-American meal of hot dogs, chips, veggies, fruit, and even cake. And with satisfied tummies we went outside and played and visited. Arriving back in class we talked about veterans and why we celebrate Veterans Day and how important it is to us. Veterans Day is a special holiday.**

**In science, we are finishing up plants and then going to start on a great question... “Can Rocks Grow?” and we will learn more about that as we continue on! In Social Studies we are moving forward. As we return from elections and Veterans Day we will continue on with communities and what different communities look like and how varied they are across the United States. I was surprised to learn that some of the students would like to go and live in suburban communities. Some wanted to stay in rural communities and I don’t think any wanted to go to an urban community. It will be interesting to see in 10 years if they’ve changed their mind!**

**It was wonderful to meet with everybody and have parent teacher conferences. Connecting is so important and it is a treasure to me. To be able to spend time with each one of the students and with each one of the parents- so special! Thank you for making this one of the best jobs ever!**

**Every day is a gift when we get to learn and grow together! Enjoy today!**

**Mrs. Hanna**

## Mr. Kempkey's Class 4th-8th Grade



### Another Exciting Week of Learning and Community Engagement

This week has been filled with memorable experiences for our students and staff! On Tuesday, our students had the opportunity to attend a field trip to Whitmore School for a special flag retirement ceremony. It was a truly meaningful event, and we are proud to share that Levi did an amazing job leading our students in singing the "National Anthem." Their performance was heartfelt, and it added a wonderful touch to the ceremony, allowing everyone to feel the spirit of patriotism and respect for our flag.

In addition to the field trip, this week also marked parent-teacher conference week. I had the pleasure of meeting with all of my students' parents to discuss their progress and achievements in class. It was incredibly heartwarming to hear that I am a few of their children's favorite teacher of all time! This feedback reinforced my commitment to providing a quality education and a positive learning experience for each student. I am grateful for the support of our parents and the opportunity to collaborate in shaping our students' futures.

In our history lessons, we are wrapping up the study of the Americas before Columbus arrived. Next week, we will delve into the history of Thanksgiving and then transition into discussions about the colonization of the Europeans and early U.S. history. This content is important for understanding our nation's past and the diverse cultures that shaped it.

I am also excited to share that Ms. Livingston will be helping out in my classroom with math and language arts for 7th and 8th grade. This collaboration will allow me to dedicate more time to working with 4th and 5th graders in these core subjects, ensuring our students receive the best chance at a quality education in areas that are essential for their development.

This week, we didn't have time to conduct our usual clubs because students were released early to allow teachers to attend conferences. However, I'm happy to announce that next week we will be switching up clubs, giving students the opportunity to try something new and exciting!

Overall, it has been another great week, and everyone is really looking forward to spending Thanksgiving with their families next weekend.

Best,

Mr. Kempkey



**Hello!**

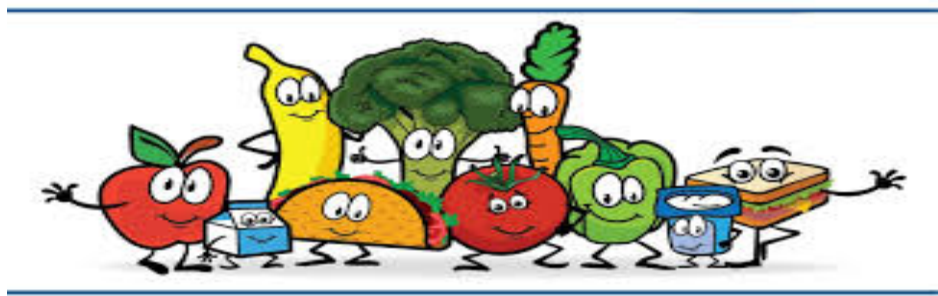
**Our students were asked to sing the National Anthem at the Flag Ceremony at Whitmore School on Tuesday. They not only sang the National Anthem, they sang it Acapella and Beautifully. Amazing!**

**“The world is in great need of more music education. When students play music, it allows a part of their artistic mind to express itself, which is very important in helping to balance a child intellectually, spiritually, and emotionally.”**

**Paul Reed Smith**



**“To play a wrong note is insignificant; to play without passion is inexcusable.” ~ Ludwig Van Beethoven**



# Week of: NOVEMBER 18, 2024

\*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.

18th	19th	20th	21st	22nd
<p><b><u>Breakfast</u></b></p> <p>Biscuits &amp; Sausage Gravy</p> <p>Or Cereal with Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Breakfast</u></b></p> <p>Breakfast Sandwich</p> <p>Or Cereal with Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Breakfast</u></b></p> <p>French Toast &amp; Bacon</p> <p>Or Cereal with Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Breakfast</u></b></p> <p>Scrambled Eggs &amp; Toast</p> <p>Or Cereal, Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Breakfast</u></b></p> <p>Pancakes &amp; Sausage</p> <p>Or Cereal, Fruit &amp; Milk</p>
<p><b><u>Lunch</u></b></p> <p>Cheese Burger, Fries &amp; Garden Salad</p> <p>Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch</u></b></p> <p>Chicken Sandwich &amp; Green Beans</p> <p>Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch</u></b></p> <p>Grilled Ham &amp; Cheese with Garden Salad</p> <p>Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch</u></b></p> <p>Chicken Fajitas, Peppers, Cheese &amp; Tomato</p> <p>Fruit &amp; Milk</p>	<p><b><u>Lunch</u></b></p> <p>Traditional Thanksgiving Meal</p> <p>Fruit &amp; Milk</p>

## **BUS STOPS**



**A.M. Route** **Please know that the bus has a 3 minute waiting limit at each stop.**

- #1) Rare Air @ 7:00
- #2) Allen & Dahl @ 7:10
- #3) Thomas @ 8:05
- #4) Frontier @ 8:15
- #5) Bullskin Ridge & Phillips @ 8:23
- #6) Bullskin & Oak Run @ 8:34
- #7) Oak Run to Fern @ 8:43

### **P.M. Route: Mon. - Thurs.**

- #3) Thomas @ 3:38
- #4) Frontier @ 3:43
- #5) Bullskin Ridge & Phillips @ 3:48
- #6) Bullskin & Oak Run @ 3:53
- #7) Oak Run to Fern @ 4:07
- #1) Rare Air @ 4:50
- #2) Allen & Dahl @ 5:00

### **P.M. Route: Friday**

- #3) Thomas @ 2:38
- #4) Frontier @ 2:43
- #5) Bullskin Ridge & Phillips @ 2:48
- #6) Bullskin & Oak Run @ 2:53
- #7) Oak Run to Fern @ 3:07
- #1) Rare Air @ 3:50
- #2) Allen & Dahl @ 4:00

## Oak Run Elementary School District 2024-2025 School Calendar

July 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- ☆ 1st Trimester Ends: Nov 3 (51)
- ☆ 2nd Trimester Ends: Mar 1 (67)
- ☆ 3rd Trimester Ends: May 31 (63)

Shaded = Student Attendance Days (181)

August 2024						
Su	M	Tu	W	Th	F	Sa
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September 2024						
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October 2024						
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November 2024						
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December 2024						
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January 2025						
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February 2025						
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March 2025						
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April 2025						
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May 2025						
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June 2025						
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HOLIDAYS/RECESSES	
Labor Day .....	Sep 2
Fall Break .....	Oct 2-Oct 4
Veteran's Day Holiday .....	Nov 11
<i>(by law must be Nov 11 if a weekday)</i>	
Thanksgiving Break .....	Nov 25-29
Winter Break .....	Dec 23-Jan 3
Martin Luther King Day .....	Jan 20
Lincoln Day observed .....	Feb 17
Washington Day observed .....	Feb 18
Spring Break .....	April 14-18
Memorial Day .....	May 26
Conference Week - Min Days	◇ Nov 12-15

CERTIFICATED DATES	
School Starts:	August 19
School Ends:	June 6
District Work Days	○ Aug 6 Jun 9
Staff Development Days	△ Aug 15 Jan 3
Snow Day Makeup:	June 9, 10, & 11
<i>(If snow day makeups are used, then June 9th work day will be moved to June 12th)</i>	

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