## Overbrook Attendance Center April-May 20

Congratulations to our most recent SPOT THE LEADERS!





The *Student Lighthouse* has been incredibly busy, planning for end of year celebrations! On May 9 they will conduct the Leadership Assembly, with no adult help! They have created a wonderful "red carpet" experience!

**UPDATE!** Wildly Important Goals are achievable! We reported last month that our students have worked exceptionally hard at achieving our schoolwide reading goal. If you recall, the baseline was established March 8 at 602 levels raised for the year. On April 4, we needed 178 more. On May 3? MET AND EXCEEDED! The students have met their schoolwide, reading focused goal. Our movie day celebration is on! CONGRATULATIONS to all – students, teachers, and parents. Hard work, excellent instruction, and parental support and involvement are a sure-win for students!!



A first grader + a fun loving grandma = an **Easter Bunny visit to school**. Kindergartners and first graders were surprised when the Easter Bunny showed up and delivered Easter goodies to them all! Special thanks to Sandra Lobdell and her husband for their loving gift to our students! Check out the fun class group pictures that the teachers posted on their class media pages!

During April, the **third grade students completed state assessments**. Every student in grade three is required to complete a reading and math assessment – two sections of each. That means in a little over a week, the students completed 268 exams! We are anxiously awaiting our results.

As a gift to our third graders, a group of parents treated the third graders and ALL staff to a sweet, cool **Friday treat of Pineapple Dream** in celebration of finishing the assessments! Special thanks to Mrs. Ramsdell for coordinating this event for our third graders.

Here are a couple of events that did not make our last newsletter! The STREAM classes participated in

a March Mammal Project – learning about mammals and participating in a "bracket" about mammal characteristics. Congratulations to Miss Olorunfemi and her first graders for winning the tournament!





Shelly Robinson, educator for Kansas Corn, visited Mrs. Coltrane's kindergarten class and Miss Dahl's first graders about farming in Kansas.

We had so much fun at our **Aloha Family Night!** Well over 200 parents and students attended



Family Night, participating in games and activities directly linked to academic standards in art, math, music and reading, AND our spring Book

Fair. In addition, students who participated in at least four of the six stations were entered into a raffle for prizes that were awarded at the following Monday Assembly. Every student went home with a free book, too!! Two food trucks stopped by to round out the evening with yummy dinner options. Special thanks to Two Girls and a Truck and Tod's BBQ. None of these events are as easy to organize as they look! Planning





began weeks before, supplies were ordered, and all the little 'day of' set up and organization were all done by the teachers, some of whom went above and beyond to decorate and prepare the activities. If you had fun, thank a teacher!











## More fun 'stuff'

- First Security Bank conducted an Easter Coloring Contest, and many of the students
  participated. Those winning an Easter basket from Security were Kindergarteners Trenton
  Green and Trey Fawl; first graders Hattie Breidenbach and Charleigh Kentch; second graders
  Rosie Kramer and Reagan Sunday; and third graders Lorelei Sherlock and Lylah Smith.
- Thanks to all the students who participated in the **Midland Coloring Contest**. Those selected with be displayed at the annual memorial walk.
- **Field trips** are all over, but they sure had fun! Kindergarten spent a day at the Discovery Center and the Zoo. First grade went to Science City at Union Station in Kansas City. The Deana Rose Homestead was the destination for second grade. The third graders spent their time at Greenbush participating in a STEM day.

Mrs. Metsker has published her latest newsletter, which you can view here: <a href="https://www.smore.com/2r9gv">https://www.smore.com/2r9gv</a> We are so appreciative of the work she has done this year, bringing more news to our families and community while she is also counseling students, groups, teaching class lessons, serving on committees and guiding the student intervention team!

## Lots left to do in the remaining seven days!

May 9-13 – Spirit Week!

May 9 - 2:00 - Leadership Assembly

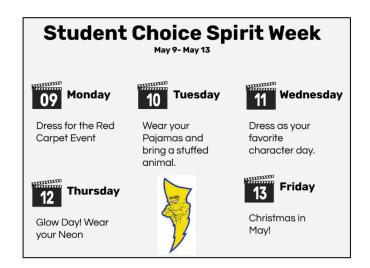
May 10 - Grade Level Talent Shows

- 3rd 9:00
- 2nd 10:00
- K 11:45
- 1st 12:45

May 12 - Field Day at SFTHS Track

- 2nd/3rd 9:00
- K/1st 1:00

May 16 - TBA - All School Wig Celebrations!



## **Faculty News**

- The kindergarten team (Coltrane, Cregan, McKeel, and Thompson) attended a professional development activity for play based learning.
- Megan Reynolds, office manager, attended a three day Power School training in Manhattan.
- We enjoyed celebrating Secretary's Day and Bus Driver Appreciation Day. All are essential to having a smooth day at OAC!



We want to thank our school community and the Board of Education who so generously gifted goodies all this week for Teacher Appreciation.
We've had waffles and muffins, donuts and cookies, bagels and decorated cookies, fruit, fixings, Super Nachos and a taco bar. This time of year can be a little hectic, so all the comfort and care are greatly appreciated!