Overbrook Attendance Center May 2022

May – What a month! Busy, fun, full of joy and gratitude! Teacher Appreciation, Nurse Appreciation, Principal Appreciation, School Lunch Hero Appreciation! Transition visits, Spirit Week, field day, scavenger hunts, and celebrations!

Spot the Leader was celebrated one last time in May. Please congratulate the leaders you see! **The Voices for May** announcements were

chosen and did an excellent job, too!





The teachers enjoyed an entire week of pampering! Breakfast, morning snacks, gifts, and cards. Thanks to Mrs. Bolt and the WIN team for organizing such a beautiful **Teacher Appreciation Week.** The window of stars...Each teacher has a star, and students in their classes were asked to contribute words to the stars. What a wonderful scrapbook gift for the teachers!!



Scranton Preschool students visited OAC on May 5. First thing – Meet Kam! Then they were off to visit classrooms, read a book with teachers, recess, and snacks. We can't wait for them to be back with us in the fall!!



Miss Dusty, School Nurse Extraordinaire, enjoyed many visits on her day, and received some amazing posters and cards!



Third grade made their first visit to CAC as the incoming fourth grade on May 6. They had a school tour and time with Mrs. Testa, CAC Principal.

Field Day! OAC students had a wonderful time at their field day, even though the afternoon was toasty! Thanks to Zach Johnson for putting together a fun day. The students participated in seven events at the SFTHS athletic complex. Some old favorite events revisited this year: Frisbee throw, three-legged race, and sack race. The new events were long jump, distortion goggles, softball throw with the radar gun, and the 50 yard dash. We'd like to extend thanks to the parents who volunteered to help run stations: Richard Gomez, Heather Bond, Shannon Engler, Jenny Winchell, Jade Morgan, and Megan Capra, and school personnel Jennifer Slaght, Ann Fawl, and Jennifer Molloy, SRO Dep. Jackie Beatty, SRO Dep. Christian Moran, Dusty Rolla for manning the first aid station, Chad Schmale and his drivers for a long transport day, and Maddison Kurtz, Stephanie Whitaker, Mary Bogren, and Cathy Ortiz for our sack lunches! Unfortunately, Mrs. Jennings' misplaced her camera card, and the 100+ pictures are not available.

For the first time EVER, the Student Lighthouse Team conducted an **OAC Leadership Assembly**. The team was in charge of the event, from planning, decorating, and MCing the event! Student were encouraged to dress for the "red carpet" and many were in dazzling outfits! Classes entering the gym were greeted and escorted down the red carpet to their seats. Students were supportive of the recognitions given, to Student Lighthouse members and Perfect Attendance to Aaron Boyd. One of the most special moments was the slide show sharing our students' leadership outside of school! As always, the students were guided in their work by their advisors, Ms. Crumpton and Mrs. Fawl.

Remember this? The starting place for our schoolwide reading goal (688)...to beat 866 reading levels earned. A special movie day was on the line...we had to meet the goal...and the kids did – **891**! That is **289** levels earned in the last quarter. So, this means movies and popcorn and shenanigans! We are very proud of our students' reading accomplishments this year!





Mrs. Metsker has another newsletter to share with families as we move into summer. Great information for family resources. Thanks to Mrs. Metsker for putting together a helpful newsletter every month!

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Some of our students participated in the **Midland Cares coloring contest.** We were very happy to learn that OAC students Grant Boyd (3-5 year olds) and Chevy Anno (5-7 year olds) were first place finishers in their age groups.

We publish items on the OAC Facebook, but this recognition is very much worth repeating! **Skylar Pena** attended the American Red Heart Association GO RED for Women Luncheon, on May 6th at the Overland Park Convention Center. She was invited as a Heart Disease Survivor! Her story was shared and she was on stage with other survivors! Of course, The focus for the luncheon is to showcase that heart disease doesn't just have an affect on the elderly; it affects all ages. Skylar was very excited to receive her first Red Dress Pin. Over \$1 Million was raised at this single event!

The end of year celebration and awards for all teachers was on May 18. It is a great time to recognize the accomplishments of the teachers in our district! This year, Lizzy Olorunfemi was chosen as the PK-5 Teacher of the Year by her colleagues. Megan Reynolds (Office Manager) and Amanda Diggens (1st grade) received their 5 Year Service Certificates and Ashley Fawl (STREAM) received her 10 Year Service Certificate. *Best Wishes and Congratulations to all those who were honored!*













Last, but certainly not least, here are some photos from our **Student Talent Shows**. We had scientists, tumblers, gymnasts, dancers, singers, magicians, musicians, comedians and more! Lots of courage going on! Lots of talent to share and encourage!











































Faculty News

Mrs. Colvin will be on the KSDE English Language Learning Progression team for grades 3-5. She has informed us that she is one of three teachers at this grade band. Congratulations on your appointment, Mrs. Colvin!

One team – Two hats! The Building Leadership Team, also the Lighthouse Team, work throughout the year to provide leadership and consistency for building decisions, curriculum, resource decisions, Leader in Me, and communication. Without this team leading the way, we wouldn't have many of the programs, projects, and activities at OAC. Special thanks for their leadership:

Lorle Bolt – Incoming principal Reanna Crumpton – Lighthouse Coordinator

Erin Metsker – Counselor Sabrina Grienke – Second Grade Becky Coltrane – Kindergarten Danielle Gomez – Third Grade

Mallory Koger – First Grade Ashley Fawl - STREAM Lizzy Olorunfemi – First Grade Jennifer Slaght – Music

You'll hear more from Mrs. Bolt later in the summer, but we wanted to introduced you to our **new staff members:**

Ashley Hornbaker – Kindergarten Emily Morris – Transfer to Kindergarten
Dani Fawcett – First Grade Katie Sternberger – Second Grade

Math Tutors – Jessica Caylor and Torie Peck