Oak Point Elementary News

August 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians:



New Staff Members Join Oak Point Elementary!

Please join me in welcoming our new Associate Principal, Mr. Tony Washington, and our new Educational Coordinator, Mrs. Kassy Miller!

Mr. Washington comes to us from Hopkins where he has taught for the past ten years. During his time in Hopkins, he has been deeply involved in curriculum adoption and implementation, parent involvement initiatives, and other leadership positions.

Mrs. Miller has taught fifth and sixth grade at Oak Point for the past fourteen years. She brings with her a strong background in curriculum and instruction, classroom best practices, and is intimately familiar with the curriculum/implementation process in our district.

We are all looking forward to working with these two strong educational leaders!

<u>Oak Point's New Web Page.</u> Please visit our new web page where you will find information about our school, including supply lists and upcoming dates to mark on your calendar for this fall. Just visit the district website, <u>www.edenpr.org</u>, click on the red Strong Schools Made Stronger button on the left corner of the district's main page, and then click on "Oak Point Elementary Website" link.

Please Note: As we've worked to establish communication links with you while we've been in the process of starting Oak Point Elementary, we've been providing both electronic and paper versions of "Oak Point Elementary News." Our plan is that once school begins we will communicate electronically as well as post the "Oak Point Elementary News" on our website. It's very important to us that all families receive information about our school in a timely manner. Therefore, if you require a hard copy of our communications be sent home with your child, please indicate this need to our Administrative Assistant, Kim Paul (kpaul@edenpr.org or 952.975.7615).

<u>Playground</u>. Construction of our new playground is nearly complete. All the equipment has been installed! We're waiting for one more load of mulch and some final tweaks and then we'll be ready to play!

<u>Ice Cream Social.</u> Mark your calendars for this all school event on August 31 from 6 - 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. This is a chance for you to meet staff and other families in a casual setting. We hope you will join us for this very fun time together.

<u>Kids EdVenture</u>. If you are interested in school-age day care at **Oak Point Elementary** next year, please register online at www.epcommunityed.org or complete the registration form and mail or drop off at Community Education, Education Center, 8040 Mitchell Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344. If you have questions, please call Community Ed at (952) 975-6950. The hours will be the same as they have been (6:15 a.m. to 6 p.m.). The days of programming will be the same for release days and summer. Visit the Kids EdVenture table in the cafeteria during Open House on September 1.

Half-Day Kindergarten Mid-Day Care

There are **not** currently enough children needing care in the middle of the day to provide a mid-day program for half-day Kindergarten students. If you would like to add your name to a list of interested parents, please call 952-975-6950. A list of Eden Prairie daycare providers is available by calling Familink at 952-294-5950.

If you are interested in being involved in the PTO at **Oak Point Elementary**, please e-mail me (chrichter@edenpr.org) or Doreen Clark, 2011-12 PTO President (lillywadl@msn.com). We want you in our school!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you have about our new school. I'm happy to meet with you.

Sincerely,

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