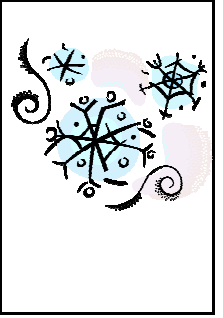


The Oak Leaflet

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UPCOMING DATES

Friday, February 4 – TONIGHT!! Cocktails and Comedy!

Wednesday, February 9 – Race to Nowhere movie, Ridge PAC, 7pm

Monday, February 14 – Board of Education Meeting, WAMS, 7pm

Monday, February 21 – Friday, February 25 – NO SCHOOL/WINTER BREAK

Friday, March 4 – FAMILY READING NIGHT, 6:30-8:30pm

Friday, March 25 – Science & Art Expo

COCKTAILS & COMEDY - TONIGHT at 7pm !! Balloons will be CASH & CHECK ONLY - Buy a Balloon and be a Winner!! Open Bar/Buffer Dinner 7-9pm, Comedy Show 9:15pm and Cash Bar.

GRAB YOUR BUNSEN BURNERS! It's time to start thinking about an experiment and register for the Science Expo. Anyone can sign up for this exciting event (Kindergarten – 5th grade). The kids can work alone or in a group. The OSS library book nook and the Bernards Twp. Library have all of the science books grouped together for your child's convenience. (Questions? Email: Jennifer @ mjtsdavi@optonline.net or Concetta @ concetta@jeffandconcetta.com).

PLEASE NOTE: The screening of "Race to Nowhere" has been rescheduled to Wednesday, February 9 at 7:00 at the Ridge PAC.

FAMILY READING NIGHT is coming! Plans for its 10th Birthday Party are under way! It will take place Friday, March 4th at 6:30 PM. If you plan to attend, please email Familyreadingnight@yahoo.com Make sure to include your family name, and the number of adults and children attending. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Parent and 4th and 5th grade student volunteers are also needed to make the party a great one! Include all volunteer info in your email including phone number. **See Friday Folder Archives from January 28 for complete details.**

DASSEN, THE AFRICAN PENGUIN, VISITS KINDERGARTENERS The Kindergarteners enjoyed "Penguin Pointers," a curriculum enhancement program about penguins, their habitats, and behavior, which supports the Kindergarten science curriculum. The program was presented by Jenkinsons' Aquarium and featured a special visit from Dassen, an African penguin, whom the children loved watching waddle around the Oak Street gym. The children learned about the different types of penguins – blue penguins, macaroni penguins, emperor penguins; where they live – in South America, Africa, Australia, and Antarctica -- and what they eat – mostly fish. Did you know that African penguins can swim up to 25 miles per hour, while emperor penguins can reach speeds of up to 40 miles per hour? Do you know why penguins are black and white or how tall an emperor penguin is? Ask your kindergarteners about the presentation, they will enjoy surprising you about what they learned.

CRAFT NIGHT THANKS! Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Craft Night a great success! Oak Street's youngest students enjoyed a fun night making recycled crafts. We extend a special thanks to Kelly Holland for her generous donation of the tiles – the tile magnets were the highlight of the night! We are also so grateful for all of the volunteers who set-up for the event, helped throughout the evening, and cleaned-up; the Fifth Grade Baking Committee for their delicious treats; and Shop-Rite of Bernardsville for its generous donation.

DIRECTORY UPDATE: New email address: Clara Heffernan's new email address: cheff0304@gmail.com