

Broad View Elementary

THE EXPLORER

PATH OF DISCOVERY

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A Caring Community Educating Every Student For Success

January 2010

CALENDAR

- Jan 12 McIntyre Hall – Ernst & Hagel
8:30 – 12:20
- Jan 12 McIntyre Hall – Gate Students
8:30 am – 12:30 pm
- Jan 13 Open House – OHHS – 4-7 pm
- Jan 18 No School – Martin Luther King Day
- Jan. 19 PTA meeting – 3:30 pm
- Jan 22 Family Science Night 6-8 pm
- Jan.28 Spelling Bee 4th/5th Gr. – 1:00
- Jan. 29 Popcorn day
- Jan. 29 Spirit day – Stuffed Animal day
(must fit on desk/table area)
- Feb. 2 End of first semester
- Feb. 8 PTA Love Bugs Fundraiser
- Feb. 9 Report cards go home
- Feb. 9 Winter Enrichment begins
- Feb. 11 3rd Gr. Music Program 6:30 pm
- Feb. 15 No School - President's Day
- Feb. 16 PTA meeting – 4:45 pm
- Feb. 18/19 Pacific Science Center Van
- Feb. 26 Spirit Day (Popcorn day) 50's, 60's 70's day
- Feb. 26 Rock Hop – 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm
- Mar. 19 Spirit Day (Popcorn day) Western Day
- Mar. 23 Young Author's Workshop – Ms. Obee
9:00 am – 2:00 pm
- Mar. 24 Kindergarten Conferences - No school
For Kindergarten
- Mar. 25-26 Parent/Teacher Conferences –
No School
- Mar.29-Apr. 2 Spring break – No School
- April 5 School resumes

Cold Weather at Recess



Now that the rain and chilly weather has arrived, students need to be prepared for recess with a coat, hat and gloves/mittens. We go outside, even in the rain; sweatshirts aren't adequate. If you need assistance for the purchase of a warm coat, hat, or mittens contact Mrs. Tagge (279-5270)

GIFTED AND TALENTED IDENTIFICATION PROCESS



OAK HARBOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

ELEMENTARY GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION PROGRAM

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GIFTED AND TALENTED IDENTIFICATION PROCESS Identification

Each year elementary schools in the Oak Harbor School District are surveyed to identify students for the gifted and talented (G.A.T.E.) program. We are seeking current second, third, and fourth grade students who may be intellectually gifted and/or academically talented. Students nominated by teachers, parents or community members will go through an assessment process at Broadview Elementary from 9:00-12:00 a.m. on Saturday January 30th and Saturday February 20 to determine eligibility.

Qualifications and Placement

Students determined to be in the 97th percentile and above will be rank ordered for placement in tier one, a self-contained program which is currently based at Broad View Elementary School. Students will be placed dependent on available space. Students scoring in the 90th to 96th percentile range as well as students on the self-contained waiting list will participate in tier two, a cluster classroom program at their home schools.

Nominations

Parents or community members may nominate their child if they believe a child may qualify by picking up a "GATE Program Parent Referral Form" in their neighborhood school's office. Students who reside in the Oak Harbor School District but attend a private school may be nominated for testing as well. Forms must be returned to the secretary at the school's office by January 15th at 9:00 a.m. Please contact Kurt Schonberg or Tammy McConaghy by phone or e-mail with questions.

Crosswalk Corner



Take a tour of your future

Be sure to take advantage of the Open House and Community Celebration at Oak Harbor High School on January 13, 4-7 pm. It will not only be a fun event, it will give students a glimpse of what to expect as they grow up to become high school students.

The open house will feature music in the auditorium, free food samples in the cafeteria, and demonstration projects in the classroom. Chemistry labs will offer fun demonstrations for kids. Students and their families can step into the Wildcat TV studio to record a message to be aired on television. In Engineering, they can watch a 3-D printer as it creates plastic parts.

All classrooms will be open with teachers on-hand to talk about their programs. You can take a self-guided tour from building to building, check out the boiler room and attic ventilation equipment, and walk back stage.

You can come at anytime between 4 pm and 7 pm, and walk through the school at your own speed. A special dedication will take place in the auditorium from 5-5:30 pm.

As you drive through the school zone and the patrollers are on duty please know that they follow a procedure for safety:

- The patrollers are communicating with each other using voice signals.
- They look for traffic in all directions.
- They watch for safety gaps in traffic and then decide when to move into the crosswalk.
- After pedestrians are safely across, patrollers again communicate with each other until they are safely on the sidewalks.

Their entrance onto and exit from the crosswalk may not be as fast as you would like because they are expected to pause and make sure the area is ready. Moving cars, cars which don't use turn signals, cars which stop in the crosswalk, and those cars which roll through the stop signs are very confusing to them. Please stop well before the crosswalk and stay stopped until the crosswalk is no longer occupied, not just until your lane is clear.

Drivers' patience is appreciated. Remember the patrollers, ten and eleven year old children and non-drivers, are trying to make the best decisions possible.

Please yield to the Safety Patrol and walkers.

- **Pedestrians on sidewalks** - Drivers and bicyclists must yield to pedestrians on sidewalks and in crosswalks (RCW 46.61.261).
- **Drivers must yield to pedestrians at intersections** - Vehicles stall stop at intersections to allow pedestrians and bicycles to cross the road within a marked or unmarked crosswalk (RCW 46.61.235).

Patrollers have been reminded to keep their flags high and as visible as possible. Your vigilance will help to ensure their safety as well as the numerous pedestrians.

The members on the Safety Patrol appreciate your increased awareness in keeping all Broad View students safe while crossing at the crosswalks.

Thanks, Ms. Bishop

Safety Patrol Supervisor/Advisor

SAFETY CONCERNS:

- Please do not use the North parking lot for student drop off or pick up. The driveway is blocked with cones to preserve student safety.
- No one should be walking between busses - please use the crosswalk to cross the bus lane.



Thanks to the generosity of the Masonic Lodge, we gave away two more bikes for the "Bikes for Books" program at our December assembly. The lucky winners were:
Brendan Davis & Emily Stanek



SHARE THE WARMTH

Thank you so much for your generosity. Our "Giving Tree" was beautifully decorated with the many hats, scarves and mittens that were donated. Your generosity puts a smile on the faces and helps the people who received them, realize that there are people who care, not to mention helps keep them warm.

SCHOOL CLOSURE HOTLINE

Wind, snow, ice, downed trees and many other factors can happen during the winter on Whidbey Island. Here are two ways to check on the status of Oak Harbor Schools. 279-5060 or check www.schoolreport.org