



News from Orcutt Academy's K-8 Campus in Los Alamos

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Principal's Message

This is our final newsletter before Christmas, as the next newsletter will be sent out in early January prior to the resumption of school after Winter Break. On this occasion, I would like to wish all of you and your families a happy and blessed Christmas, a phenomenal New Year, and lots of quality family time during the three-week break. Here's thanking you for all you do in support of your children and our school -- it is nothing but an honor and a pleasure to have all of you at OAK-8!



See you in 2018!

Joe Dana, Principal

Jillstrong



OAK-8 students are heeding the call to wear orange on Wednesdays in support of OAK-8 first grader Jill Mott. Thanks, everyone, for the "Jillstrong" spirit!

Weekly Planner

Monday

Hot lunch: Pancakes & Sausages or Gourmet Salad

Tuesday

Hot lunch: Domino's Pizza

The **PTSA Holiday Store** will be open in Room 20 today through Thursday.

Wednesday

Hot lunch: Mexican Food Bar/Nachos or Gourmet Salad

Today is a **teacher collaboration day**, with dismissal at 2:00 p.m.

Students and staff are **wearing orange**, the color of leukemia, on Wednesdays to show support for OAK-8 student Jill Mott.

Thursday

Hot lunch: Popcorn Chicken & Oven Fries

Today and every Thursday is "**College Day**" at OAK-8. Students and staff are invited to wear college apparel to school to reflect a college-going culture.

Friday

Hot lunch: Orange Chicken & Brown Rice

Today and each Friday is a "**Blue and Silver Day**" at OAK-8. Students and staff are invited to wear school colors to show school spirit.

We have a **student awards assembly** this morning.

The OAK-8 PTSA runs an **Incentive Store** for students today.

Memorable MOXI



Mrs. Wilson's class enjoyed a marvelous field trip to the MOXI (Wolf Museum of Exploration and Innovation) Museum in Santa Barbara on November 13. The museum features numerous hands-on science and discovery activities, and it is highly recommended for families.



Coming Up

Monday, December 18, through Friday, January 5: We have no school these three weeks, as this is our Winter Break. School resumes on Monday, January 8, 2018.

Monday, January 8: School resumes today following Winter Break.

Wednesday, January 10: Today is a teacher collaboration day, with dismissal at 2:00 p.m.

Monday, January 15: We have no school today, as it is the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.

School News

Mr. Dana was amused to see that a couple of students, Bryson (left) and Daniel, dressed up as "Mr. Dana" for **"Students Dress Like**



Staff/Staff Dress Like Students" Day on Friday. Needless to say, he thought Bryson and Daniel looked exceptionally AWESOME!

Mrs. Lovell's and Ms. Carricaburu's classes enjoyed their field trip to see the PCPA performance of **Freaky Friday** this past Thursday. A highlight was being able to enjoy OAK-8 student Isaiah Westbay in the play. We are proud of you, Isaiah!

The Orcutt Academy has begun taking **enrollment applications for the 2018-2019 school year**. The application is online, and can be accessed via the Orcutt Union School District website [here](#). If you have other children whom you would like to enroll at OAK-8 or Orcutt Academy High School, please note that you will need to fill out an enrollment application for each child.

Everyone is invited to subscribe to this email newsletter, the "OAK-8 Update." Parents can subscribe at multiple email addresses, and grandparents and other family members also are invited to subscribe. The newsletter will come out each weekend during the school year. To subscribe, please email Mr. Dana at jdana@orcutt-schools.net.

OAK-8 Bus Schedule

Following is the OAK-8 bus schedule for 2017-2018, as revised in October 2017 to include a new morning stop at the Lakeview Junior High School Gym. Parents of Transitional Kindergarten and kindergarten students are requested to let Mrs. Cole know which bus/bus stop their children will be using in the afternoon; that way, Mrs. Cole can make sure the students get on the correct bus. Our complete schedule follows:

Morning

7:40 - Pine Grove School (front of school on Bradley Road)
7:50 - Alice Shaw School (on Dahlia Place by side parking lot)
8:00 - Kmart Shopping Center (on west side of Kmart building)
8:05 - Lakeview Junior High School Gym (in front of gym doors)
8:25 - OAK-8 (on Helena Street in Los Alamos)

Afternoon (3:00 Dismissal - Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays)

3:00 - OAK-8 (on Helena Street in Los Alamos)
3:25 - Kmart Shopping Center (on west side of Kmart building)
3:25 - Alice Shaw School (on Dahlia Place by side parking lot)
3:35 - Pine Grove School (in parking lot)

Afternoon (2:00 Dismissal - Wednesdays)

2:00 - OAK-8 (on Helena Street in Los Alamos)
2:25 - Kmart Shopping Center (on west side of Kmart building)
2:25 - Alice Shaw School (on Dahlia Place by side parking lot)
2:35 - Pine Grove School (in parking lot)

Afternoon (1:30 Dismissal - First Day of School, Parent-Teacher Conferences, Last Day of School)

1:30 - OAK-8 (on Helena Street in Los Alamos)
1:55 - Kmart Shopping Center (on west side of Kmart building)
1:55 - Alice Shaw School (on Dahlia Place by side parking lot)
2:05 - Pine Grove School (in parking lot)