



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

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Principal's Message

Do you need a reason to come to **"Introduction to Parenting Kids on Social Media,"** the parent education night we are hosting on Tuesday from 6:00-8:00 p.m.? Here are a few:



You will learn about the secret world of kids online. Our presenter, Eileen Calandro, is an expert on social media. She will share apps and social media kids are using that you may not be familiar with.

You will learn how parents can put limits on online use. One of Calandro's themes is that parents can and should be setting guidelines for their children regarding social media and online time. She will show how parents can accomplish this.

You will be fed. At 6:00, we will have a pizza feed for all attendees. No worries -- we'll have dinner ready for you!

You will laugh, and be interested. Calandro is an engaging, humorous presenter. You will find the night quite engaging!

In sum, we hope to have a good turnout for "Introduction to Parenting Kids on Social Media." As possible, please RSVP, so we know how much pizza to have on hand. You can RSVP by email (by responding to this message) or by filling out the form that went home last week. So ... see you on Tuesday night!

Joe Dana, Principal

Dance Practice



On Friday afternoon OAK-8 students in grades TK-6 practiced for the dance performance they will be doing for families on Monday, March 26. Here are third and fourth graders displaying their country line dancing skills to "Achy Breaky Heart"!

Parent Education Night

Introduction to Parenting Kids on Social Media



... & more!

Talking with your kids about social media use and how to be good digital citizens is a crucial part of parenting.

Learn about digital footprints on social media and rules for parenting kids online. Discover how to set boundaries and begin to create a family plan and/or contract for your kids on social media. Gain exposure to platforms, learn ways to talk to your kids about expectations for social media use, and connect with other parents for support.

All in ONE CLASS?! You bet!

Tuesday, March 20, 6:00-8:00pm

Olga Reed School Cafeteria

(Childcare will be provided for school age children.)



Instructor: Eileen Calandro of Calandro Consulting

Eileen taught first grade for four years, stayed at home with her three sons for ten years, then worked in social media for a leading international social media marketing agency for over six years. She brings her knowledge of social media and passion for teaching to this class to help parents create an important dialogue for their families.

Weekly Planner

Monday

We have **no school for students** today. It is a district staff development day.

The OAK-8 girls' basketball team will be playing in a **postseason league tournament** at Valley Christian Academy today, Tuesday, and Thursday. The Lady Spartans' opening game takes place at 5:30 this afternoon vs. Blochman.

Tuesday

Hot lunch: Domino's Pizza

Mrs. Cole's and Mrs. Wilson's classes will be taking a field trip to the **Santa Barbara Zoo** today.

Wednesday

Hot lunch: Mexican Food Bar/Tacos

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: Chicken Teriyaki & Rice

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.

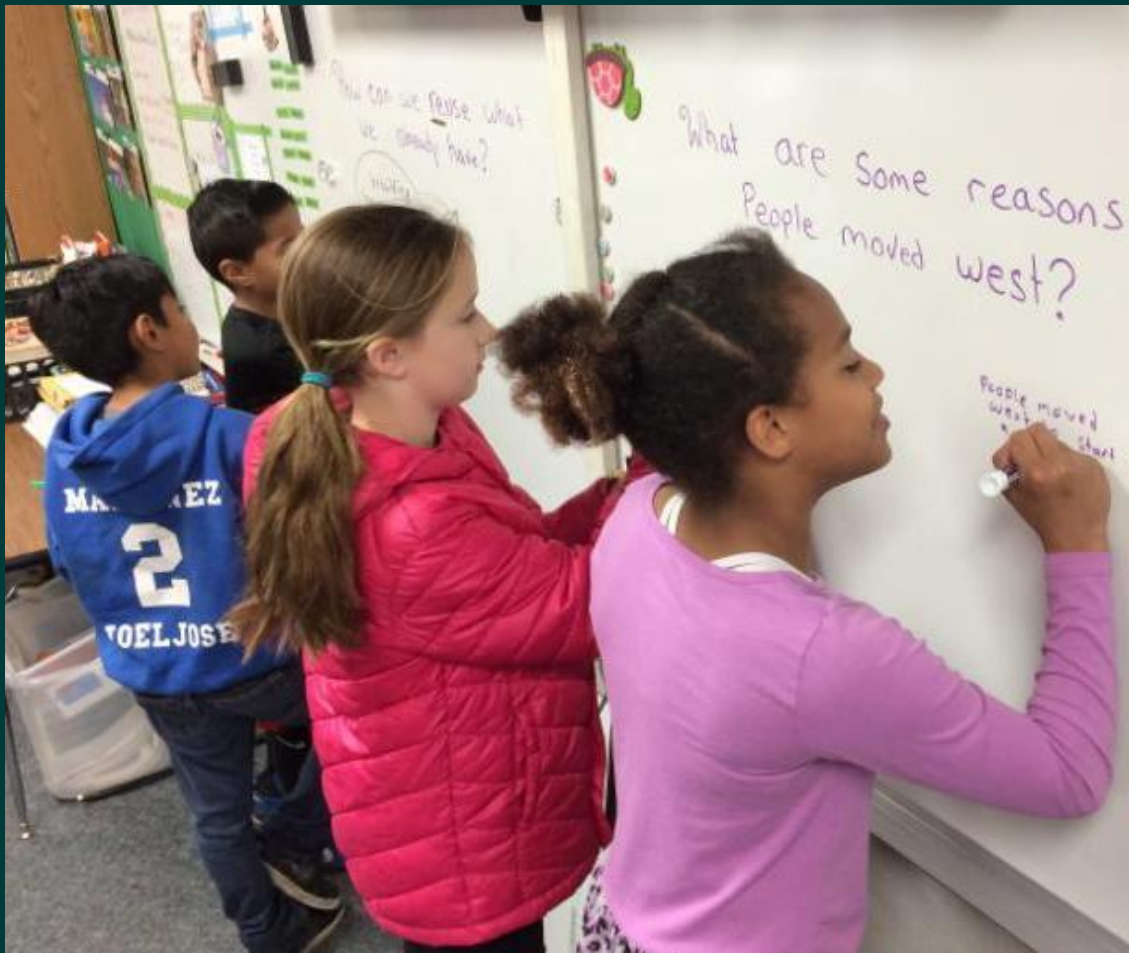
Friday

Hot lunch: Bean & Cheese Burrito

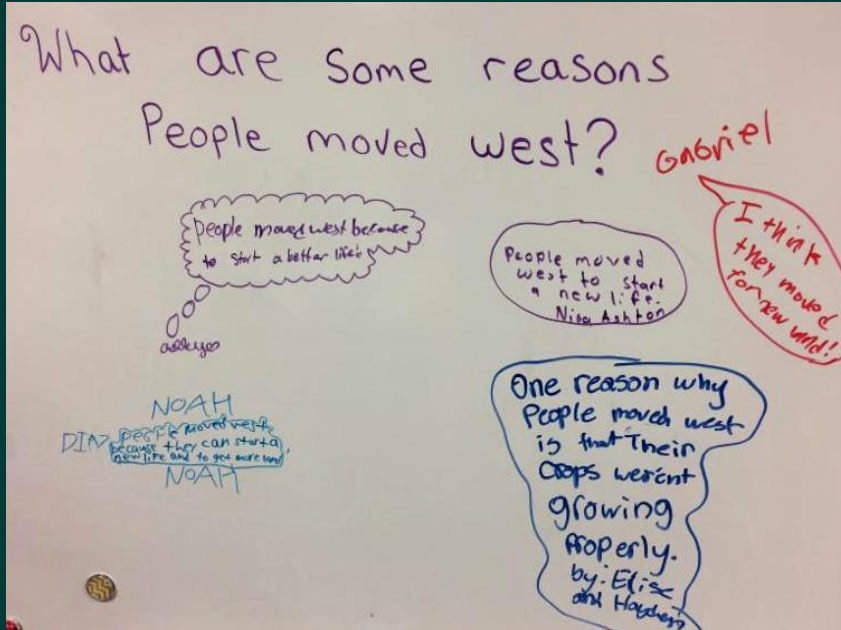
Today and each Friday is a "**Blue and Silver Day**" at OAK-8. Students and staff are invited to wear school colors to show school spirit.

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

Answering the Essential Question



Fourth graders in Mrs. Lovell's class go to the whiteboard to write answers to the essential question for this week's reading selection. The question -- "What are some reasons people moved west?" -- elicited a range of replies.



Coming Up

Monday, March 26: We have a P.E./Dance performance by OAK-8 students directed by P.E. teacher Tracy Levey this evening. The performance will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the gym.

Monday, March 26; Tuesday, March 27; and Thursday, March 29: The OAK-8 boys' basketball team will be playing in a postseason league tournament at Valley Christian Academy on these days.

Tuesday, March 27: Spring Pictures are today.

Wednesday, March 28: The PTSA Jog-A-Thon takes place this morning.

Wednesday, March 28: Today is a teacher collaboration day, with dismissal at 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 29: Today marks the end of the Third Quarter for grades 7 and 8. Third Quarter report cards will go home on Friday, April 13.

Friday, March 30, through Friday, April 6: We have no school during this time. This is our Spring Break. School resumes on Monday, April 9.

Monday, April 9: School resumes today following Spring Break.

Monday, April 9: OAK-8 parent Hannah Rubalcava is hosting an Arts Attack parent information meeting this evening at 7:00 at the Orcutt Union School District Instructional Media Center at 500 Dyer Street in Old Orcutt. All parents interested in supporting the Arts Attack visual arts curriculum are invited -- information about the program will be shared.

Wednesday, April 11: Today is a teacher collaboration day, with dismissal at 2:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 12: Mrs. Lovell's class will be taking a field trip to Mission La Purisima today.

Friday, April 13: Third Quarter report cards for grades 7 and 8 go home today.

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School News

Three OAK-8 students are working very hard as members of the cast of the latest Orcutt Union School District theatrical production, **The King and I**. We all can be proud of Alina Fanshier, Cozette Hamer, and Isaiah Poe -- it will be great to see them in this play! The King and I will be staged at Lakeview Junior High School on Thursday, March 22, at 7:00 p.m.; Friday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, March 24, at noon (understudy performance) and 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10, \$25 for the first two rows, and can be purchased at the door.

Reminder for families: If your child will be out of school for a predetermined reason and you are requesting an independent study packet, please be sure to give Reyes and your child's teacher at least one week's notice and preferably two week's notice. Teachers need adequate time to put together work for a packet. If not enough notice is given, we may not be able to issue a packet and the absences may be termed unexcused.

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.

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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)