

**OAKHAM CENTER SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
MAY 10 – 21, 2010**



**PRESCHOOL LOTTERY**  
We are now accepting names for the District-Wide Preschool Program lottery in the Fall. If you have a child who will be 3 years of age by August 31<sup>st</sup>, and would like to put him/her on the list for preschool, please call Pat in the Special Services office at 978-355-2055.

**PAC  
MEETING  
WEDNESDAY  
MAY 19<sup>TH</sup>  
6:30 PM**



**LAST DAY FOR  
SCHOOL  
BANKING  
May 25<sup>th</sup>  
Teller Field Trip  
Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

A Note From the Principal:

This week we are beginning the second round of MCAS testing in the areas of Math and Science for grades 3-6. We all appreciate the hard work and preparation on behalf of the staff and students to get ready for this important testing.

As you are aware, the reconfiguration of the New Braintree and Oakham schools has been approved by the School Committee. We are all working diligently to ensure a smooth transition for the students. On Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, New Braintree students in grades 1-5 will visit Oakham Center School and kindergarten students in Oakham will visit New Braintree. It is my hope that this short visit will help to make things a little easier for the students when school starts in the fall. Thank you for your support as we move forward in providing the best education for our students.

Mrs. Worthington

**UPCOMING EVENTS** ↗

Thursday, May 13	Grade 6 to Hardwick for Nature's Classroom presentation, 1:00 pm
Friday, May 14	Bus Evacuation
Tuesday, May 18	Pottery Demo at OCS, 7-9:30 pm
Wed., May 19	PAC Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 20	School-wide picnic lunch sponsored by Student Council
Friday, May 21	Cub Scouts' Pinewood Derby, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, May 25	Spring Concert, band, chorus, and orchestra – 1:30 & 7:00 pm
Wed., May 26	Middle School orientation night for sixth grade parents at OCS, 7:00 pm
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day Observances (see page 2 for details)
Tuesday, June 1	Grade 6 to Nature's Classroom
Wed, June 2	Field Trip to <i>Seussical the Musical</i> for K-2 and Project Create students
Thurs, June 3	Grade 5 "Walk About Town", 11:00 pm Grade 3 field trip to the Fruitland's Museum
Friday, June 4	Grade 6 returns from Nature's Classroom Special Olympics at QRHS
Monday, June 7	Field Trip for Student Tellers sponsored by Athol Savings Bank
Tuesday, June 8	School visit for Oakham and New Braintree students, 9-11 am
Wed., June 8	Grade 6 students to Baseball in Education Day at the Worcester Tornadoes
Friday, June 11	Grade 6 students "step-up" to the Middle School for the day Last day for Preschool today!
Monday, June 14	Flag Day Ceremony, 9:00 am
Thursday, June 17	Grade 6 Pool Party (details to follow)
Friday, June 18	Grade 6 Recognition Night, 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 22	Last day of school!!



## The New England Center for Children Free Parent Training Series

All are  
welcome!

Monday, May 17, 7-9 pm

Overcoming the challenges of Community-Based Activities

Monday, June 7, 7-9 pm

Supporting Siblings of Children with Autism

Tuesday, June 22, 7-9 pm

Increasing Motivation in Individuals with Autism

*Sessions will be held at the New England Center for Children*

*Michael S. Dukakis Aquatic Center, 33 Turnpike Road*

*Southborough MA 01772*



### POTTERY DEMO AT OCS

A unique pottery performance will be presented by Pied Potter Hamelin on Tuesday, May 18 from 7-8:30 pm at Oakham Center School. Mr. Rick Hamelin of Warren will demonstrate how clay is formed and how items are made on his pottery wheel. He will also include stories about old Massachusetts potters, especially local and Quaboag Plantation brick and pottery industries. Mr. Hamelin is recognized as a "Keeper of Tradition" and as one of America's Best Redware potters. This free performance, suitable for all ages, is funded by the Oakham Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The Oakham Historical Association, serving as host for this event, will provide a refreshment table. For more information, people may call 508-882-3111.

### MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCES IN OAKHAM

The Memorial Day Observances will be held on May 31<sup>st</sup> and will be promptly at 8:00 a.m. A bus will transport people from the Town each of the cemeteries in town, where children will replace the American flag on the grave markers of soldiers, followed by a short prayer and Taps. At 9:45, those marching in the parade will meet at Oakham Center School. The parade will leave the school at 10:00 a.m. and proceed to the Town Common. This year the official ceremonies will be held on the gazebo. Organizers of the event request that anyone belonging to a youth group in town (OYS, Scouts, 4H, etc.) wear their uniform if they plan to march in the parade.

