



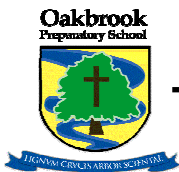
Knightly News

LIGNUM CRUCIS ARBOR SCIENTIAE
(The Wood of the Cross is the Tree of Knowledge)

'For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.' Matthew 6:14

K4-5

"Moses said to them, 'Take to heart all the words I have commanded to you this day...' Deuteronomy 32:46a



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School Calendar

April 30 (Thursday)	Field Day Grades K5-5th	
May 1 (Friday)	Middle School "Luuu" Dance 6:30-9:00 P.M.	
May 4 (Monday)	AP Test—Government	
May 5 (Tuesday)	Battle of the Brains Banquet AP Test—Spanish State of Oakbrook Meeting (gymnasium)	7:00pm
May 6 (Wednesday)	AP Test—Calculus	
May 7 (Thursday)	AP Test—English Yearbook Signing Party Spring Arts Concert	6:30pm
May 8 (Friday)	Mother's Day Program, grades 1-5 Band trip to Carowinds	8:30am
May 19, 20, 21 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)	Senior Exams	
May 22 (Friday)	Honor's Day (grades 6-12)	
May 23 (Saturday)	Graduation	2:00 pm
May 25 (Monday)	Memorial Day Holiday	
May 27, 28, 29 (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)	Exams Grades 8-11	
May 28 (Thursday)	K4-K5 Recognition	8:30am
May 29 (Friday)	Recognition Services, grades 1-2 and 3-5 End of Term 4, last day of school grades 1-11	8:30am

Sports Calendar

April 30 (Thursday)	MS Girls Soccer Ashville Home School V Girls Soccer Greenwood Christian	Converse Away
May 2 (Saturday)	Cheer Clinic for Rising 6th-9th grades	9:00-12:00
May 4 (Monday)	MS Golf CMSC at Carolina Springs V Soccer Playoffs	

CALLING ALL LOWER SCHOOL MOMS!

Please join us on Friday, May 8 at 8:30 in the gym for brunch and a program honoring you! There will be music, singing and stories close to your heart. Our special speaker will be Mrs. Caroline Rogers, Abigail & Griffin's mom, who will speak about praying for your child. The message is entitled "A Product of Prayer"

(Sports Calendar continued)

May 5 (Tuesday)	MS Girls Soccer CMSC Play-in
May 7-8 (Thursday-Friday)	MS Girls Soccer CMSC Tournament
May 11-12 (Monday-Tuesday)	Cheerleading Tryout Practices
May 14 (Thursday)	Cheerleading Tryouts

State of Oakbrook Meeting

Tuesday, May 5; 7-8pm in the gym
We will review the strategic operating plan, report on plan progress, discuss the search committee process and answer questions.



Charlotte Mason and Her Philosophy
Charlotte Mason emphasized the importance of training

"He must have the habit of paying attention, so that he will naturally take heed to what he is told, whether he cares about the matter or not."

Physicals for Athletes
Tuesday, May 12
3:30-5:00



We will have at Oakbrook on Tuesday, May 12, a team of physicians who will perform the required medical review for students interested in playing sports at Oakbrook. We encourage all rising 6th through rising 12th grade student to take advantage of this opportunity.

Cost will be:

- \$25 per student
- \$40 for 2 students per family
- \$50 maximum per family
- Please pay in cash the day of the physical

You may download the Medical Form from the Oakbrook website or get a copy in the main office. Parents are asked to complete the back section and sign it. Bring the completed form that day. Parents do not need to be present the day of the doctor's examination, but the medical forms need to be completed for the doctors to review.

Please remember that student athletes are required to have a current physical before participating in any Oakbrook athletic activity. Fall sports will begin before school starts. Some students may be involved in summer conditioning sessions. A completed medical form is valid for one year.



Got Spirit?

Calling all girls in rising 6th-12th grades who are interested in cheering in the fall. Come to the Cheer Clinic on May 2 from 9:00-12:00 to find out all about it. You will receive a t-shirt, and the cost is \$35. Parent's Meeting at 11:15. Deadline was Wednesday, April 22. You may register after April 22, but may not receive your shirt at the clinic. Pick up your form in the main office.

The Oakbrook Junior Girl Scout Troop 2625



earned their Bronze Award this year. It is the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can earn. The girls created, planned and organized activities for outings to the SCSDB. The troop members are Sarah Bailey, Susan Edwards, Maya Elhage, Julia Ann Funk, Evans Hollingsworth, Kathryn Johnston, Mary Katherine Kellam, Christa Lawler, Rachel Moore, Samantha Pressley, Abigail Rogers, Maddie Settlemire, and Savannah Simon.

Oakbrook Running Club Can Stand the Heat

On Tuesday, April 21, 2009 the last Footsteps to Fitness Run was held at Milliken Park. Each Oakbrook participant placed in his/her heat:

Wesley Rice placed 3rd in the 1-3rd grade boys race, Angus Kraebber placed 2nd and Ian Ramantanin placed 1st in that race. Brianna Turner placed 1st in the 1st-3rd grade girls' race. Ally Rice took 1st place in the 4th-5th grade girls' race.

Congratulations to all of our winners and to those who participated in Running Club this year! Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

Your (Part)icipation is the key!

Participation by Grade

K4	24%	Third	49%
K5	44%	Fourth	45%
First	24%	Fifth	34%
Second	40%		
Sixth	57%	Tenth	41%
Seventh	37%	Eleventh	38%
Eighth	42%	Twelfth	16%
Ninth	25%		
Total Dollars	\$77,563.00		
Total	34%		

Questions? Contact Becky Berube, Development Director, x102

Used Uniform Giveaway

The Parent's Club will be holding a Used Uniform Giveaway on Friday, May 8 after the Mother's Day Program. It will be in the Gym Building in front of the Lower School Library. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the main office anytime before Thursday, May 7. We welcome crested and plain polo shirts, plaid jumpers, plaid skirts, navy and khaki pants, navy and khaki shorts, Lands' End sweaters, Knights shirts and sweatshirts, Friday logo shirts and sweatshirts.

Field Day for Lower School 4/30/09
9am to 12noon

Parent Volunteers are needed for students in Grades K-5 thru 5th grade to help with field day. Arrive at 8:15 for a short information meeting in the gym – activities begin at 9:00. Even if you're unable to commit to the entire 3 hours, we can still use your help. Contact Coach Liz Myers at Myers.Elizabeth@Oakbrookprep.org to sign up. You won't want to miss the fun!

Band announcements

Congratulations to the following students who attended the Solo and Ensemble Festival on Saturday, April 25. All of our students received a score of Superior or Excellent.

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| Lindsley Blaakman | David Welborn |
| Sarah Gibson | Rachel Moore |
| Anna Bentley | Mitchell Jones |
| Holli Hinds | Stephanie Simon |
| Samantha Esce | Wilson Wildeman |
| Maggie Macdonald | Matthew Baghdady |
| Bridget Gallagher | Jose Cerra |
| Zoe Kushabar | Jacob Simon |
| Caroline Bales | Mario Krussig |
| Ashton Poole | |

The Cultural Corner

Where Oakbrook meets the world!!!!

“Oakbrook, Citizens of the World”

We want to thank you all so much for the hard work, enthusiasm, love, and caring you put into Oakbrook's International Festival. It is truly a wonderful collaboration between approximately 250 of Oakbrook's staff, students, and family members, volunteering to work hard and help us celebrate Oakbrook's cultural wealth. This year we had the pleasure of welcoming Hungary and Scotland to our Festival; thank you for being a part of the OPS International Team.

OPS International Festival Committee 2009

Spring “Arts” Concert

Band and Dance Thursday, May 7 at 6:30 P.M.

5:30 arrival time for band students. Official uniform for band students – grades 5-12

5:45 arrival time for dance students

Details for costuming is class specific

Creative Summer Art Classes

With Susan Garrison

Now being planned for **5th-12th grade** students and separate classes for **adults**. For more info, email Susan at paintingcoach@gmail.com or Garrison.Susan@Oakbrookprep.org

Summer Art Camp

Would you like to experience some art over your summer break? Now is the time! Mrs. Biggar is going to have a mini art camp, the week of June 8-11 or June 15-19 from 9am to 12 noon. The cost will be \$120 and it is open to the first 15 people (a minimum of 5). This camp will be for grades K5-4th. Some materials being used will be charcoal, oil pastels, chalk pastels, water colors, and paint. A deposit of \$50 (non-refundable) is due by May 22. You can email me for the supply list. You may bring a snack to eat during camp. The camp will be located in the Primary Building art room. Hope to see you there!

If you have any questions please email me at:

Biggar.Erin@oakbrookprep.org

Choose one or both of the following and return by May 22nd, with a \$50 nonrefundable deposit.

Summer Art Camp 1: June 8-11 (9am-12am)

Summer Art Camp 2: June 15-19 (9am-12am)

God's Top Ten Concert

Mrs. Wells is very proud of all of the students. They did such an amazing job last Thursday. The audience was entertained and inspired by the students' performance!

Special thanks to Dana Gillespie, Jonathan Burnett, and their fitness classes for all their set up help. Thanks also to Mike Scott, Beverly Long and Susan Garrison.

DVDs should be in by Mother's Day. Be sure to check with Mrs. Wells when you come for our Mother's event on May 8.

Spring Cleaning?

We will gladly take donations of old computers and laptops. They need only to be CD/DVD compatible. Internet is not necessary. Thank you in advance.
K. Macdonald and the HS German Students

Carowinds

We have some discount coupons for Carowinds. There is \$10 off coupon (May 1-September 13) and \$13 off coupon (September 5-November 1). If you want these coupons, come and get them in the main office

Volunteer Appreciation Drop-In

Thursday, April 30, 12-2pm, Upper School Library
Have you volunteered at OPS this school year? Perhaps you have chaperoned a field trip, acted as a room/lunch parent, or helped plan a school event. If you have donated any of your time or energy towards a school festival, activity, or function this year, then...you volunteered! The Parents' Club would like to thank all our volunteers for their kindness. Please drop by the US Library to be recognized and appreciated. We cannot thank you enough!



Eat Mor Chikin for Oakbrook
Annual Fund Participation Drive
Jeans Day + a Chicken or Butter Biscuit
\$5 per person
OAKBROOK FAMILIES – FRIDAY, MAY 1

“Spruce up the OAKbrook Day!”

A big thanks to all who came out Saturday and joined in sprucing up Oakbrook! We pulled weeds, trimmed bushes and grass, blew down the drive, picked up trash, and even cleaned out microwaves – all to help keep our school attractive. The clean up was such a good day that we agree to have a day in the fall and a day in the spring to do the outside cleaning that normally does not get done. Also, in all of our work, we enjoyed the friendship and fellowship of one another.

Many thanks to: Cathy and Jodi Bader; Vickie Bolduc; Becky, Madison, Elizabeth and Cole Berube; David, Ginger, Mattie and Cori Church; Pam Deichman; Genell and Nicole Halla; Bobby Hinds; Joey and Debbie Locke; Keith, Tina, Rachel and Adam Moore; Howard and Kim Perry; Nancy Seay; Marie Tewkesbury; Martin, Amy, Jess, Thomas, Murphy and Wilson Wildeman; Steve, Angie and Jake Woodard; and Cathy Zion.

Corporate Sponsors Needed

For Camp Invention at Oakbrook. Can you support and encourage a future scientist? Contact Mrs. Stanley for information. Stanley.linda@oakbrookprep.org