



DATES TO REMEMBER

Tu	Dec	23	Last day of school before holiday break
Mo	Jan	12	PTA Meeting in Media Ctr.
Tu	Jan	13	Bagel Sale
We	Jan	21	Skate World
Th	Jan	29	Math and Science Night
Fr	Feb	6	Polar Bear Dance

NEXT PTA MEETING: JANUARY 12

Make your New Year's Resolution: attend our school's PTA meetings in 2015! They are a great way to meet other parents, interact with staff and find out information about the school. Meetings are held in the media center and *last only one hour (7-8 pm)*. **Free child care is provided in the gym.** The meetings are attended by our School Board Liaison, Gary Briggs, so it is a good opportunity to find out what is happening in the district and to ask questions about Royal Oak Schools.

BAGEL SALE

Our Fourth Graders will have bagel sales to raise money for their trip to Lansing, along with making a donation to Gleaners, the Student Senate, and our school field trip fund. Bagels are \$1 each. **Next Bagel Sale is on Tuesday, January 13th.**



DON'T FORGET: WILL YOUR SCHOOL RULE? CONTEST AT OAKLAND MALL



**** Round One Point Minimum / Deadline ****

In order to continue to round two of the contest and to be eligible to win a cash prize, Oak Ridge **must have a minimum total point balance of 5,000 as of December 31st**. Receipt and bonus points both count towards this total. Only schools who reach the minimum balance will continue to round two and be eligible for cash prizes. Those who do not have 5,000 points as of December 31st will be eliminated. Let's get those receipts turned in (and make sure to submit your receipts from Chili's restaurant night on 12/3!)

Any questions to elizabeth.mulheisen@gmail.com.

Starbucks and the other restaurants outside of the mall count, too!

December Bonus Stores

These stores are worth double receipt points when people shop and turn in the receipt in December:
- Deb Shop - Radio Shack - Spencer Gifts - The Limited

Get more info [here](#).

LOST AND FOUND

The lost and found is located in the back of the great room. There are many items - shirts, sweaters, hats, lunch items, coats. Please remind your child to look and parents can go into the great room as well. We will be donating many items in January, so make sure to look before we go on break!



IT'S PARTY TIME!

Oak Ridge's Annual **Polar Bear Dance** is on the horizon and the dance committee is in need of volunteers and snack donations.

This PTA-sponsored event is scheduled for **Friday February 6th** from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Volunteers needed for set-up, clean-up, donations, and beverage and food tables.

We are also in need of snack donations.

If you are interested in donating time or a snack please sign up at this [LINK](#) or contact joandressler@gmail.com.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS ASSISTANCE

The City of Royal Oak is working in conjunction with the Oakland County Alliance For Housing to conduct a count of homeless individuals on Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2015.

Volunteers will meet at the Royal Oak Farmers' Market at 7 p.m. Coordinators will provide teams of volunteers with maps of target locations throughout south Oakland County. These are target areas of known homeless gathering places. A team of volunteers (group of 3 - 4 volunteers) will disperse, in their own vehicles, from the Farmers' Market to locate homeless individuals in the designated target areas. Volunteers will provide homeless individuals with a basic care package (box of socks, hats, gloves, hygiene kit, food, & water) and note their findings.

Volunteers will then return to the Farmers' Market to submit their findings. Free parking, rest rooms, water, coffee, and snacks will be provided to all volunteers at the Royal Oak Farmer's Market.

If you are interested in joining the Oak Ridge team, contact Angela Almas at angelat104@aol.com.

THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Thanks goes out to Angela Almas, Elizabeth Czarnik and ALL the volunteers who made this year's Holiday Shop a huge success!!!

Thanks also to the Student Senate students and their teacher representatives for hosting the bake sale and making sure we all had some yums in our tums!

If you had a tray or plate left from the bake sale, please check the volunteer room.

Thanks again and have a happy holiday season!

RELAY FOR LIFE

The Royal Oak Relay for Life isn't until Saturday, June 13, 2015, but we are getting our team geared up to start fundraising! Please contact Kristin Scripter at kscripter73@gmail.com to be a part of the Oak Ridge Team. Check out our team's page at [box](#) outside of the office.



[Click here to view the TEAM page for Oak Ridge Elementary](#)

PLAYGROUND GRANT

Oak Ridge Families: click the link below and we could win a grant for a new playground! You can enter every day. After your first time entering, all you have to do is enter your email address, so simple!!



Click [playground sweepstakes](#) to enter!