

OAK GROVE ELEMENTARY

THE PATRIOT

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Letter From The Principal Patriot

It is already looking very festive around our school and in the office area. Everyone gets excited to celebrate this wonderful season and seems to smile a lot more too!

November brought us a lot of activities with our Veterans Day program and American Education Week. I hope you were able to join us for our Veteran's Day program. Our student performances and our guests in their uniforms touched the hearts of everyone in attendance as we thanked our Veteran's for preserving our many freedoms. We were all reminded that freedom is not really free.

December will be another exciting month for Oak Grove Elementary School. We have only 14 school days before Winter Break. Please remember that December 6 will be an early release day at 11:40. Also on December 6, parents are invited to come in to our school and participate in student led conferences from 7:45-8:15. We hope you can join us for that event and hear all about the family mission statement in your child's data notebook. December 11 starts the PTA sponsored Jingle Bell Shop for students. It will be open all week for your children to do their own shopping.

On December 13 our fifth grade students will travel to River Bluff High School for a concert. December 14 is our Winter Arts Festival. The first grade students will perform "Twas the Night Before Christmas" and we will have an Art Show for grades K-5. December 14 is a special day for all of our students. This is the date of the 8th Annual Candlelight Luncheon for students. That's correct...our students will be having lunch by candle light! Our last day of school for 2017 will be on December 20 and this is a full day of school with a regular dismissal. Students return from Winter Break on Thursday, January 4.

Your child's teachers are continuing to learn about seminars and how these seminars help students increase their communication and critical thinking skills. We are always looking for ways to provide the very best education for your child.

Please talk to your children about the importance of the 7 Habits and help us teach your child how to be a great leader! If you are looking for something to read to help reinforce the 7 Habits at home, pick up a copy of [The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families](#), by Stephen R. Covey. The 7 Habits will help you have quality time with your family, build harmony in your family, and build strong family relationships as well as create a spirit of fun.

Have a very blessed holiday season,

Sherry P. Cariens

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Principal



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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4	5	6 Student Led Conferences 7:45-8:15 am Collaborative Planning Day— Dismissal 11:40am	7	8
11 PTA Holiday Gift Shop	12 PTA Holiday Gift Shop LCSD1 Board Mtg. 7:30 pm	13 PTA Holiday Gift Shop 5th to River Bluff High School Concert	14 PTA Holiday Gift Shop Student Candlelight Lunch- eon Winter Arts Festival 6:30 pm	15 PTA Holiday Gift Shop PTA OGE Spirit Day
18	19	20 Super RATS Day	21 Winter Break	
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Contact these people if you have questions regarding these issues at 100 Tarrar Springs Road, Lexington, SC 29072 and telephone number 803-821-1000.



Enjoy Your Winter Break! December 21 - January 3.

Classes resume
January 4