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My Fellow Lions -
While it seemed like a short week with the three early dismissals, the conferences served to help strengthen the home school connection and build on the partnership between families and teachers. It was great to continue to have these in-person events that welcome families back into the schools. Thank you to all the families who attended conferences.




PTA News and Updates

- **Last day for Spiritwear!!** Click here to purchase
- **Last Call for Members!** Are you thinking of joining, but are not really sure what the PTA does? Our goal here at OAS for the 21-22 school year is to build community, empower families and enrich our students' educational experiences. How do we do that? With your support!
  Well, what does it mean to join the PTA?
  It means that you are helping us fund and plan activities, events, assemblies, field trips, etc. You are part of a community that strives to make each year at OAS the best.
  I can't make it to the meetings, is that okay? Yes!
  I can't always volunteer, is that okay? Yes!
  While we look for volunteers to help with events, joining the PTA is so much more than that. Share your ideas, get involved and let's help this year be the best!
  Click here to join! No strings attached!
- **Library Volunteers Needed!** Ms. Candido is looking for some helpers to help in the library during the school day to help checkout books for students and relabel fiction books. If you are interested, please fill out the form and she will get in contact with you.
- **Website-** Keep up to date with any PTA news and info on our OAS PTA website
- **Facebook** Like us on facebook for reminders and news on exciting events. Orange Avenue School PTA
- PTA Monthly Newsletter

Important News

- **Veterans Day -** As Veterans' Day approaches, we are excited to celebrate our veterans. Orange Avenue wants to invite veterans of all backgrounds into our school. If you are a veteran or know anyone (family member, neighbor, friend) that would be able to come into our school to visit a student's classroom, please let us know. We will then have the classroom teacher reach out to coordinate times

that work best for their classroom. Please complete this form by Friday, November 4th for any Veteran to visit OAS on Friday, November 11, 2022.

Veterans Day Sign up

- **Practice Drills** - Conducting emergency drills (fire, crisis, lockdown, etc.) is one of the most important ways we help keep students and staff safe during an emergency. Drills allow us to practice what we need to do when an emergency arises in our school. Next week, OAS will be conducting a practice fire drill. This will only be a drill and will be conducted in accordance with the School Incident Management Protocols established by the district, and in collaboration with our local first responders. Please discuss the importance of our emergency drills with your children. We thank you for your cooperation and partnership with keeping our schools safe!

Important Dates:

- Printable MPS full year calendar can be found here.
- **Wednesday, October 26th**: Early Release Day for Professional Learning - Students dismissed at 1:25.
- **Friday, October 28th: Fun Friday:** Wear Blue and Yellow for Down Syndrome Awareness Month
- **Monday, October 31st at 9:15**: OAS Costume Parade. More info here
- **Thursday, November 3rd at 6:00 pm- 7:00 pm in OAS Media Center:** Healthy Minds: Building and supporting mental wellness for the children of OAS at school and at home. More Info here To RSVP or add your input/ questions click here**.**
- **Thursday, December 8th at 6:30 pm -** Grade 5 Concert in Gym. More info here