

Haskins' Parents Update

February 3, 2012



**NO SCHOOL
Staff Meetings
February 8th**

**NO SCHOOL
PRESIDENTS' DAY
February 20th**

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2012 - 2013

Registration for Otsego Elementary School will be held February 27 through March 9 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. You will need the following to register your child: Certified Birth Certificate, Social Security Card, Immunization records, proof of residency, and custody papers (if applicable). Information about the Kindergarten program will be available at the same time. For additional information please contact the elementary schools. (Grand Rapids 419-832-4765 and Haskins 419-823-1591)

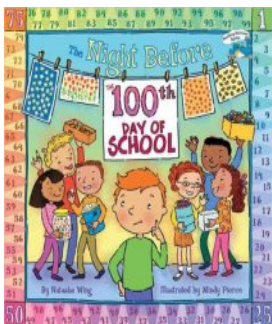
FROM THE PTO

It's that time of year again: Spaghetti Dinner and Auction time! I need empty plastic coffee canisters, with the handle build into them. I think it's the Folgers brand. If you have one, please send it to school with your child and have them take it to the office. I will pick it up from there. Please send to school by March 9, 2012.

Remember to mark your calendar for March 16th to enjoy dinner and the auction. Money raised will go towards the purchase of additional playground equipment. Thanks - Katherine London, co-chair spaghetti dinner.

Just a quick reminder about our Pisanello's pizza night. Simply order from the Waterville Pisanellos on any Wednesday this month and mention the PTO and we will receive 20% of sales! Call [419-878-7020](tel:419-878-7020) and remember to mention the PTO! Thanks as always for your support! - Your PTO Officers.

RECOMMENDED BOOKS (WE ARE CELEBRATING 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL)

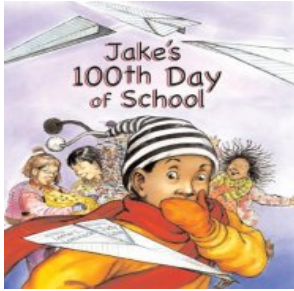


[The Night Before the 100th Day of School](#) by Natasha Wing (2005)

The 100th day of school is almost here and one student is desperate to find 100 of anything to bring to class. Then all of sudden inspiration strikes, and he comes up with a surprise that makes the 100th day celebration one to remember! This hilarious story of a popular school tradition offers a perfect modern twist on Clement C. Moore's classic poem.

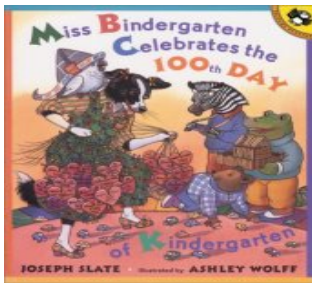
The 100th Day of School by Abby Klein (2008)

The 100th day of school is approaching, and to mark the occasion, Freddy and his classmates must each collect and bring to school 100 of something. Freddy is overwhelmed by the thought, then he has a great idea to collect 100 shark trading cards. But he only has 21 cards! How will he get another 79 before the 100th day of school? Join Freddy as he plots the perfect plan to reach his goal.



Jake's 100th Day of School by Lester L. Laminack

Jake and his classmates are getting ready for a celebration. Tomorrow is the 100th day of school and everyone is going to share their collections of 100 things. The day of the celebration arrives. Jake's friend Henry brings 100 bottle caps and Emily brings 100 paper clips. But Jake forgets the 100 family pictures he has glued into a special memory book at home. Disaster! The problem is solved thanks to Jake's ingenuity and the sensitivity of his wonderful principal, Mrs. Wadsworth.



Miss Bindergarten Celebrates the 100th Day of Kindergarten

by Joseph Slate (2002)


Miss Bindergarten, the world's best kindergarten teacher, is getting ready for another milestone. Tomorrow she and her class will have been together for 100 days. To celebrate, each student must bring "100 of some wonderful, one-hundred-full thing!" At night, while the students go to work assembling their projects, Miss Bindergarten is working, too, making special surprises for the class.

FYI QUESTIONS?????

Heard a rumor or want a question answered? If so, send me an e-mail or call. Contact information: jgarber@otsegoknights.org Phone 823-4381 (w) or 823-0540 (h).

Q – Has a decision been made about the elementary student pickup locations in Haskins for next year?

A – Tentative plans are to use the stops we use for the high school/junior high routes in Haskins and Grand Rapids. By law, children may not walk more than ½ mile to their bus stop. Bus routes are not finalized until August because of students moving in and out of the district.



Math @Home

Math With M&Ms
 Open a small bag of M&Ms. How many of each color do you find in that bag? Create a chart with the colors written down the page. Write the number of each color next to the word. Which color was most plentiful? Chart a second bag to see if results vary by much. Older students might create a graph that shows the number of M&Ms of each color.

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Parent Pointers

Improving Time Management

- ▶ Have your child wake with an alarm clock each day in ample time for school.
- ▶ Provide a corkboard or other means for your child to collect important information about school events and other activities.
- ▶ Hang a calendar that is large enough to record your child's upcoming activities. Help your child use it to track deadlines and more.
- ▶ Break long-term projects into smaller tasks and set completion goals until your child can do this independently.

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REMINDERS:

OTSEGO BOYS' BASKETBALL "Future Knight" WORKOUTS

First and second grade boys: Otsego High School gymnasium from 2:00-3:00 on February 5th. No registration required. Our concentration will be on very basic fundamentals. Parents are welcome to attend as well as participate by assisting with instruction. These players will display the skills they have learned in our two weeks of workouts with a halftime demonstration on **Thursday February 9th** during the junior varsity game.

Third and fourth grade boys: Otsego High School gymnasium from 3:00-4:00 on February 5th. No registration required. Our concentration will be on basic fundamentals and fundamental drill work. These players will display the skills they have learned in a game situation on **Tuesday February 14th** during the halftimes of both the junior varsity and varsity games.

*******Please make every effort to bring or wear dry and clean shoes.*******

Basketballs will be furnished but you may bring your own ball. If you do so please make sure your name is on the ball.

Any questions please contact Coach Jim Bostdorff at 419-352-8546

IMPORTANT DATES:

Feb.	3	Super Bowl Friday – students wear favorite football gear
Feb.	3	Glass Projects – with Mrs. Works
Feb.	8	OTSEGO TEACHER MEETINGS – NO SCHOOL
Feb.	9	Kids on the Block Assembly – Grade 3 (1:00 pm)
Feb.	10	Glass Projects – with Mrs. Works
Feb.	14	Valentine Parties pm
Feb.	15	Fire Drill am
Feb.	17	Jump Rope for Heart
Feb.	17	Glass Projects – with Mrs. Works

Feb.	18	Spelling Bee at WCESC 9 am (Good luck Lexie Miller!)
Feb.	20	PRESIDENTS' DAY – NO SCHOOL
Feb.	21	PTO Meeting at 6:30 pm (NEW DATE)
Feb.	22	Breakfast Club 8:15 am (State Representative Gardner guest speaker)
Feb.	28	Otsego Board Meeting 6 pm
Mar.	6	Fire Drill
Mar.	16	Spaghetti Dinner & Auction
Mar.	22	BGSU Musical Performance – 2 pm
Mar.	23	End of 3 rd Grading Period
Apr.	4	Grandparents/Special Person Program 2 pm (more details to follow!)
Apr.	6	Spring Break Begins
Apr.	16	Classes Resume
Apr.	25	Breakfast Club 8:15 am (Channel 11 Jerry Anderson guest speaker)

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CONTACT INFORMATION

Central Office 823-4381 Ext. 1 Jim Garber jgarber@otsegoknights.org
Haskins Elementary 823-1591 My home number is 823-0540.

“quoted” “Learning is the best of all wealth.
It is easy to carry. Thieves cannot steal it.”
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***HASKINS Elementary School
Anti-Bullying Rules***

- 1. We will not bully others.*
- 2. We will try to help students who are bullied.*
- 3. We will try to include students who are left out.*
- 4. If we know that somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and an adult at home.*

ON SCHEDULE TO OPEN IN JULY!

