



# OES ANNUAL REPORT 2010-2011

Extra, Extra read all about us!

APRIL 29, 2010

## RESPECT

### 2 More Eagle Scout Projects Completed

Total of 9 Eagles earn their WINGS at OES

Tyler Fry, prior OES alumni, returned to Okatie to construct his Outdoor Classroom, complete with podium, stage and benches. The Outdoor Classroom was used for our first Sunset Family Science evening where we roasted s'mores and used flashlights and ipods "In Search of Owls and Constellations".

Since Jared Nickerel's sister was an OES owlet, he did projects for us including adding flooring to the existing Gazebo located in Monet's Garden, led his troop in labeling all plants in the garden area, and laid a new cobblestone path. All were great additions to the outdoor learning area!

Monet's garden is beautified and maintained by the Callawassie Garden Club and Mrs. Aaron's 2nd Grade boys.

### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Meets goals for YEAR and MORE ~

The OES SIC was charged with updating the annual five year plan, monitoring all school goals and progress based on MAP and PASS data. This year, the SIC helped add a salad bar to the daily lunch menu, as well as addressed concerns with safety in the car rider line, and complaints regarding buses in early fall. The SIC facilitated a meeting with Dr. Truesdale to discuss budget issues and provided a forum for parents to share concerns. I would like to extend my thanks to the teachers, parents and community for your support and efforts with the School Improvement Council. Your voice makes a difference, join us next year to be heard!

Chair, Damaris Valentin

SPREADING OUR WINGS AND LEARNING NEW THINGS, est. 2003



### PTO HAS LOTS TO HOOT ABOUT

Led by Lynn Wiltse, President

- Purchased 100 new folding chairs for school
- Provided refreshments for all WINGS Celebrations
- Dr. Seuss and Authors' Tea refreshments and bookmarks
- Radios for recess, lunch and hall communications
- Assisted with grade-level field trips
- Provided materials and supplies for grade levels such as Science and Scholastic Weekly News
- Assisted with Agenda Book costs
- Hosted and coordinated Craft Fair, Muffins for Moms, Donuts for Dads, Holiday Parade, Scarecrow Scoot, Val-o-Grams, Bingo Nights, End of the Year Picnic, Staff Appreciation, Grandparents' and Volunteer Luncheons
- Supported Eagle Scout Project
- Fundraisers—"Trash for Cash" Box Tops raised over \$1,800.00

All projects, events, and fundraisers were made possible with the hard work, dedication and support of our phenomenal PTO Board Members: Lynn Wiltse, Angelique Grieve, Julie Gadley, Alex Manley, and Sherri Shropshire. Thank you ladies! We could not have accomplished all of our awards, the ceremonies and family events without YOU! Kudos as well to our OWLSTANDING room mothers, parent volunteers, community members, and staff! Parent involvement and support is the key to student SUCCESS!



# OUR EIGHTH YEAR AND SOARING STRONG!

- Scored **Excellent** on improvement rating as well as **Excellent** for absolute rating, one of two schools in the county!
- **Adequate Yearly Progress**- 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row!
- Successfully welcomed 135 plus new students from the Willows, Arborwood and Sandy Point
- **Installed electronic marquee!!!!!!!!!!**
- **Installed quarter-mile walking path, Fitness Stations, and held ribbon cutting!**
- Installed trike path and shed on playground
- Installed storage shed donated by **Lowe's**
- Slab poured for four-square and hopscotch
- USA map, hopscotch, South Carolina map and four square (stenciled by Coach L. and Ms. Jones)
- Adopted school-wide core values –  
**Respect and Responsibility**
- All grade levels completed service projects
- Walked, ran, skipped and hopped to Cape Town, South Africa, as logged in agenda book
- Implemented PowerSchool, School Fusion, Waterford, Animation and Gizmos
- Implemented Café Literacy
- Increased focus on writing to include: monthly **Family Writing**
- Applied for Exemplary Writing
- WEE Deliver (inner-school Postal System)
- **Young Astronauts** were there to see the final launch of the Discovery and our Fifth graders enjoyed **Camp Driftwood for 8<sup>th</sup> year!**
- Implemented Compass Club, Early Birds, Endeavor afterschool, ELT, and PASS PUSH!
- Okie Acres provided a plentiful crop for all
- Offered Robotics, Electronics, Gardeners, Band, Strings, Chorus, Cheer and Dance Clubs
- GT Art, SOBA for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders, GT Academics, GT Stars and Juniors
- Student Council spearheaded efforts for Thanksgiving, Leukemia, and Holiday Cheer
- GT Students collected for local shelters
- Over 1500 Okie Brags awarded to students
- Increased Health Focus - no ice cream at lunch or fast food lunches brought into school
- Mr. Lawton develops a mentor "**DREAM**" Team
- Jump Rope for Heart earned **\$3991.50**
- Student artwork displayed at **Promising Picassos** and School Art Fair
- **OES Fifth Grade GT class placed first and GT Fourth Grade class placed second in Stock Market Game**
- 4 teachers receive **Bright Ideas** grants – Mrs. Goodwin, Ms. Deckert, Mrs. Whitfield, and Mrs. Wilson
- 5 teachers accepted into **Math/Science Masters program** – Mrs. Tracy, Ms. Block, Mrs. Wilbraham, Ms. Sweet and Mrs. Hunt; Ms. Mulligan working on masters in Literacy; Mrs. Crumpler, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Hogshead completed Masters in Technology
- Mrs. Phillips completes requirements for National Board Certification
- Mrs. Goodman receives Low Country Resource & Developmental Council's Youth Environmental Education Grant for **Sunset Science Family Night Programs**
- Julie Fletcher received mini-grant from **Education Foundation**
- Mrs. Goodwin received two grants for the Artist in Residence Program from SCAC (**SC Arts Commission – 750.00 and Coastal Arts Center -2050.00**)
- Mrs. Goodman was chosen to film "**Farm to School Video**" to be aired on ETV!
- Mr. Lauffer, Mr. Lawton & OES receive '**All School Health Award**' and film commercial for Healthy School's Alliance
- Students displayed talents ~ HH Arts Center-Broadway Alive, Salute to USA, Talent Show and Winter Extravaganza
- Okie Foot Flight and Scarecrow Scoot
- Science Fair, 4 Math Bowls, **World Maths Day and Career Health Fair**
- OES featured in Taste of Home Cookbook to be published in Sept. thanks Mrs. Nelson, Data Specialist
- **650 OWLS LEARNING DAILY!**

