



Cedar Lake Elementary

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Student Success—A Shared Responsibility

Northwest Evaluation Association

During the weeks of May 11th and May 18th, all Oscoda Area School's students in grades K-11 will participate in this testing/evaluation program.

Our Kindergarten and 1st graders will take the MAP for Primary students and be assessed in Reading and Math. 2nd grade students will complete tests in Math, Reading, Language Usage and Science. All tests are taken on a computer. Each test takes approximately 50 minutes. One test will be given per day for 4 days.

The computer displays one test question at a time on the screen. The difficulty of the test will adjust based on how students perform on the questions answered.

These curriculum based tests will show teachers, parents and students how well students are performing by identifying students' strength and weaknesses. The information/data collected from the tests will allow teachers to plan lessons and activities to best meet the needs of our students.

We plan to complete this testing three times next year: fall, winter and spring. Our goal for this program is to analyze and apply the data from the tests to plan and provide curriculum lessons and activities that will help all of our students be more successful. We have training set up at the end of

this school year for the teachers to review all of our data. This will be a great opportunity for us to prepare the best program for each of our children.



We will keep parents informed of the details of this program as we work through the process.

Preparing for the test: We have had the students in the computer lab with Miss Samotis this week preparing for this experience. The computer program is set up similar to several games the children already use on the computer. You can help us by:

- Making sure your child gets a good night's sleep
- Remind your child to pay attention and try their best

Our schedule for testing:

Week of May 11-15 these classes will be testing:

- ALL Kindergartens
- Ms. MacMurray, Mrs. Livingston, and Mrs. MacGregor

Week of May 18-22

- Mrs. Farver, Mrs. Fredenburg, Mrs. Revord, Miss Staebler and Mrs. Allen

Planning for next year: Spring Break is over and we are into that last final push to the end of the year. It will go so quickly! The students seem to make a big leap at this time of year, and learning explodes for most of our children. We have spent the year making sure your child gets the extra help he/she needs, and we have tried a variety of interventions with those students who are struggling. In the coming weeks, we will be planning for next year and thinking carefully about the best placement for your child for next year. Remember that every child has his/her own "pace"; for some, meeting the goals for their current grade may take a little longer or require a bit of additional support. While we have expectations for each grade and subject, we recognize that all learning is individual. Continue to be in close communication with your child's teacher as this year draws to a close. We want every child to feel confidently ready as they move on to the next grade.

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We are busy working on transitions. The Preschoolers are visiting with Kindergarten children and teachers, Kindergarten students are meeting first grade teachers and students, 1st grade students and teachers are meeting with the 2nd grade classrooms. The 2nd graders have all visited REMS and their parents had a family night to check out the building. There is lots of excitement around here!

Congratulations to our Starfish:

These children have all been recognized for Being Responsible, Being Respectful and Being Safe. We are proud!



Looking Ahead.....

- May 11-15.....NWEA Testing
- May 11.....7 pm Board Meeting @Glennie
- May 13.....CL School Improvement Team 2:30
- May 18-22.....NWEA Testing
- May 22.....Mrs. MacGregor/Mrs. Allen Sprinkler Lake Trip
- May 25.....NO SCHOOL-Memorial Day
- May 26.....Mr. Manick & Mrs. Corwin Sprinkler Lake Trip
- May 27.....Ms. Erickson & Mrs. Smith Sprinkler Lake Trip
- May 28.....Mrs. Revord/Mrs. Fredenburg Sprinkler LkTrip
-B-4 Graduation @ 6:30 in gym
- May 29...Mrs. Farver, Miss Staebler, Ms. MacMurray,
-Mrs. Livingston field trip Tawas State Park
- June 4.....Activity Day
- June 5.....LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

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| Mrs. Corwin | Michael Scott |
| Miss Staebler | Jacob Condor |
| Mrs. Allen | James Knepp, Adam Fielders, Emily Walker, Spencer Perry, Hayley Peralta |
| Mrs. Fredenburg | Logan Lammi |
| Mrs. MacGregor | Nick Hart |
| Ms. MacMurray | Harley Leeseberg |
| Miss Erickson | Shayla Merritt |

Kindergarten Preschool Registration:

We have had our official Kindergarten and Preschool registration. If you or someone you know missed registration, please call Cedar Lake at 739-5491 and we can take care of everything. All Preschool and Kindergarten registration is here at Cedar Lake.

Genre of the Month: Our Genre for May is Biographies and Autobiographies—stories of real life people either written by another person or an Autobiography—written by that person.

Word of the Week:

- May 11—best—what is the greatest answer
- May 18—sequence—the order of the story

Grocery Give-Away: Tuesday May 26, 2:30- until food is gone. Oscoda Assembly of God. For any Iosco or Alcona resident who needs food.



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