

# NOVEMBER/DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2025

Dear Oxford Families,

As we come to the close of another busy and meaningful part of the school year, we want to take a moment to reflect on the months of November and December and the many ways our school community continues to show up for one another.

November offered a chance to pause, recharge, and focus on gratitude — a reminder that not every month needs to be filled with large events to be impactful. Behind the scenes, our schools remained full of learning, growth, and preparation for the exciting and festive moments ahead.

December brought that energy back to life. From joyful classroom celebrations to moments that highlighted just how far our students have already come this year, the spirit of togetherness was felt across our schools. Celebrating the 67th Day of School was a special reminder that every day of learning matters and that milestones — big or small — are worth celebrating.

This season also gave us the opportunity to express appreciation to the incredible teachers and staff who pour so much into our children every single day. Whether through a smile, a kind word, or a sweet treat, we were proud to spread a little extra joy and gratitude throughout our school buildings.

As we look ahead to the new year, we're excited to continue creating meaningful experiences that bring our families together and support our students in ways that go beyond the classroom. Thank you for being such an important part of the PTO community. Your support, generosity, and involvement make all of this possible.

We wish you and your families a joyful holiday season and a wonderful start to the new year.

With appreciation,  
Oxford PTO



## Event Highlights: November & December

### 🌟 Celebrating the 67th Day of School

The 67th day of school was celebrated in style with 67 fidgets and 67 gift cards (all \$6 or \$7 😊). Students had multiple chances to win throughout the day, and the excitement was nonstop. We loved transforming “6-7” into a surprise celebration that brought smiles, laughter, and lots of school spirit! 🎉







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### ☀ School of Distinction Celebration

December also brought a meaningful School of Distinction Celebration, supported by the PTO to honor the students and staff of GOES

Students enjoyed Italian ice freshly scooped by Italian Ices of Connecticut and received Student of Distinction bracelets to proudly wear. GOES staff were treated to a food truck lunch from JJ Stacks Mobile Catering, along with heartfelt notes from former students.







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### 🎄 🍬 Holiday Candy Buffet — A Sweet Success!

December also brought festive cheer as the PTO hosted a Holiday Candy Buffet for our amazing teachers and staff.

Teachers at Quaker Farms School (QFS), Great Oak Elementary School (GOES), and Oxford Middle School (OMS) were welcomed with an assortment of holiday treats as a small way to say thank you for everything they do for our students each day.

The smiles, laughter, and holiday spirit made this event especially sweet, and we're grateful to have such dedicated staff across all our schools.








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### Winter Coat Drive

December also marked the launch of our Winter Coat Drive , which is still ongoing to help support families in our community during the colder months.

In partnership with the Oxford Neighbor to Neighbor Pantry and the Seymour Oxford Food Bank, the PTO is collecting new and gently used coats, hats, mittens, and gloves for children. Donations can be dropped off at Quaker Farms School, Great Oak School, and Oxford Middle School and will be accepted through January 30th.



### Wreath Donation

December also gave us the opportunity to support the Festival of Trees at Oxford High School, a beloved holiday tradition that brings together students, families, and the community in the spirit of giving.

The Oxford PTO proudly donated a decorated wreath to be raffled alongside trees, other wreaths and baskets contributed by clubs, businesses, and organizations. Now in its 17th year, the Festival of Trees raises funds for local charities and continues to be a meaningful way to spread holiday cheer while giving back.







**JUL 17** **What's Coming Next**

★ **My Star & Me Dance**

The Oxford PTO is excited to invite QFS and GOES students to the My Star & Me Dance – a special event celebrating students and their favorite “star” guest!

📍 Location: Oxford High School

**JUL 17** Date: Saturday, January 10

🕒 Event Times

- Quaker Farms School (QFS): 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Great Oak Elementary School (GOES): 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Each student may bring one star guest to enjoy an evening of dancing and memories together.

🎫 Admission

- Couples: \$20
- \$10 per additional student

⚠️ This event is open to QFS and GOES students only, along with their star adult guest.

Additional details can be found on the [Oxford PTO Facebook page](#). We can't wait to roll out the red carpet and see our stars shine! ★

**Scan QR code below to purchase your tickets**



QFS dance



GOES Dance








## **Oxford PTO Family Hockey Day - January 11th**

Join the Oxford PTO for an exciting afternoon of professional hockey and family fun!

### Event Details

- Matchup: Bridgeport Islanders  Hartford Wolf Pack
- Date: Sunday, January 11
- Game Time: 3:00 PM
- Location: Bridgeport Islanders Arena
- Special PTO Price: \$25 per ticket *(That's a \$17 savings for Oxford families!)*

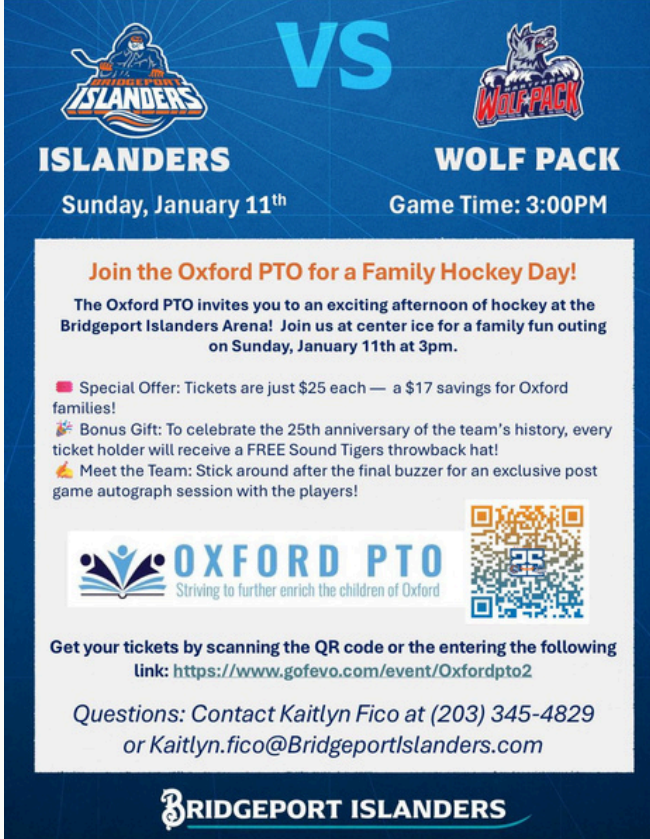
### Bonus Perks (Included with Your Ticket!)

#### FREE Sound Tigers Throwback Hat

- Every ticket holder will receive a complimentary hat in celebration of the team's 25th anniversary.

#### Post-Game Autograph Session

- Stick around after the final buzzer for an exclusive opportunity to meet players and get autographs.





**ISLANDERS** **VS** **WOLF PACK**


Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup> Game Time: 3:00PM


**Join the Oxford PTO for a Family Hockey Day!**

The Oxford PTO invites you to an exciting afternoon of hockey at the Bridgeport Islanders Arena! Join us at center ice for a family fun outing on Sunday, January 11th at 3pm.

 **Special Offer:** Tickets are just \$25 each — a \$17 savings for Oxford families!

 **Bonus Gift:** To celebrate the 25th anniversary of the team's history, every ticket holder will receive a FREE Sound Tigers throwback hat!

 **Meet the Team:** Stick around after the final buzzer for an exclusive post game autograph session with the players!

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Striving to further enrich the children of Oxford

Get your tickets by scanning the QR code or the entering the following link: <https://www.gofevo.com/event/Oxfordpto2>

Questions: Contact Kaitlyn Fico at (203) 345-4829 or [Kaitlyn.fico@BridgeportIslanders.com](mailto:Kaitlyn.fico@BridgeportIslanders.com)

**BRIDGEPORT ISLANDERS**



This page highlights the many projects and events funded by the PTO. Each initiative is requested by our schools and reviewed and approved by the PTO Board, ensuring meaningful support for our students and staff. Thank you for helping us make a positive impact across our school community!



## QUAKER FARMS SCHOOL

- ★ KINDERGARTEN FIELD TRIP - JONES TREE FARM
- ★ ASSEMBLY PRE K - 2ND - ROB SURETTE
- ★ ASSEMBLY PRE K - 2ND - BUBBLEMANIA
- ★ 1ST GRADE - CT SCIENCE CENTER TRAVELING PROGRAM



## GREAT OAK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- ★ 3RD GRADE FIELD TRIP INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN STUDIES
- ★ SCHOOL OF DISTINCTION CELEBRATION



## OXFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

- ★ 6TH - 8TH RED RIBBON WEEK ASSEMBLY
- ★ 67<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION



## ADDITIONAL EVENTS

- ★ KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION
- ★ TEACHER LOUNGE SNACK RESTOCK
- ★ HALLOWEEN COSTUME SALE
- ★ FALL BOOK FAIR
- ★ BOO GRAMS
- ★ BEVERAGE BAR - SPOOKTACULAR SIPS
- ★ CANDY BAR BUFFET



**A TOTAL OF \$10,981 IN SCHOOL FUNDED EVENTS THIS YEAR**