



The Bulldog

OMS Newsletter

December 2017

OMS Students, Families, and Staff,

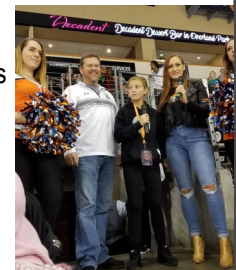
Our 6th and 7th grade students enjoyed their field trips during the past month. The 6th grade students went to the Negro League Baseball Museum and the Jazz Museum. Grace Gibson said her favorite part was going to the Jazz Museum to learn about the different instruments the musicians play. Felton Stevens enjoyed going to the Negro League Baseball Museum. He stated he liked how segregation helped bring the two baseball leagues together. Caleb Hubbard had fun at the Jazz Museum, and liked the activity of when the students were split up by eye color to reflect on how people felt during segregation.



The seventh grade students went to the Mavericks Hockey Game, as the team hosted a school day for students. Guy Hannel was sitting close to the front row when a puck came over! He said, "I had no clue it was coming. I jumped over a chair and grabbed it!" Mr. Behrman was picked as a teacher to play the Puck Scramble on the big screen. He won the game and 10 lotto tickets! He was the lucky winner of \$10.



Both field trips were full of learning opportunities and lasting memories! We are glad the students were able to have these great experiences.



Thank you for all you do to support our school,

Mrs. Malizzi, OMS Principal

Athletics and Activities Alert:

December is a jam-packed month for activities at OMS! Aside from many basketball games and wrestling matches there are two concerts taking place.

The OMS Band concert will take place on Tuesday, December 5, and the OMS Honor Choir Concert can be seen on Monday, December 18. Both concerts take place at 7:00 PM in the OMS gym.

A strong start to the basketball season has occurred for the OMS boys and girls teams. Congrats to the boys A team for winning the Sherwood Tournament. The girls also performed well, taking second place. We invite you out to come watch and support our athletes and coaches in upcoming games.

Important Dates:

December 5 - OMS Band Concert - 7:00 PM

December 12 - Last OMS Basketball game before holiday break. 5:00 PM

December 14 - Final OMS Wrestling meet of the season. 4:30 @ OMS

December 18 - OMS Honor Choir Concert - 7:00 PM

* Please check the Odessa R-VII website for full OMS sports schedules.

Mr. Downing, OMS Assistant Principal & Athletic Director



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Bulldog of the Month

November's theme was: **#leadbyexample**

Teachers choose students who were innovators, teammates, and creators.

Students:

Brittany Affolter, Robyn Arnott, Cameron Ayres, Casey Giffard, Trinity Alvested, Emma Casebeer, and Clay Fox



Staff Member Spotlight

Mr. Doering has worked in the Odessa School District for over 10 years. He is in his third year as OMS Assistant Principal. Mr. Doering grew up in Nebraska, and is a huge Husker fan. He has been married for 13 years and has two sons. In his free time, he enjoys fishing, playing volleyball, working in the yard, and playing baseball with his kids. Mr. Doering also loves to travel. He has visited many tropical locations and has also taken 25 fishing trips to Canada. He has only missed the trip twice dating back to when he was a student in 7th grade.



Fun Times at OMS...



Mental Health Awareness

For many, December marks the start of the holiday season. But the holidays don't represent a season of joy for everyone. According to a [report from the American Psychological Association](#), 38 percent of people report that their stress increases around the holidays. And the high volume of parties around the holidays can make this a particularly difficult time of year for people.

We are here to help support families .

For help with resources please contact Mrs. Cowman, OMS social worker at 633-1500.

Dates of Interest:

December 15th- Dodgeball Tournament

December 18th- Wear your ugly sweater/shirt

December 20th- Winter Assembly and Advisory Parties

Test your OMS Staff Knowledge!

Match the fact with the staff member.

- 1. Lives in the house she grew up in**
- 2. Allergic to the cold**
- 3. Terrified of birds**
- 4. Has a minor in American Sign Language**
- 5. Use to be a Beekeeper**

- A. Mr. Rouillard**
- B. Mrs. West**
- C. Mrs. Shroyer**
- D. Mrs. Gregson**
- E. Mrs. Ford**

Students who turn in the correct answers to Mrs. Malizzi WINS a prize!