



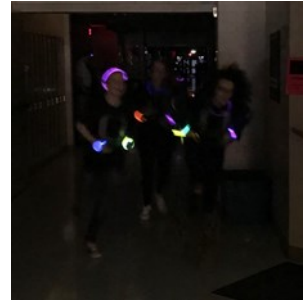
# The Bulldog

**OMS Newsletter**

**March 2018**

OMS Students, Families, and Staff,

A huge thank you to our STEP group for organizing a fun night for our Glow Run/Walk fundraiser. The halls and building were pitch black, and the students got to RUN in the building!! The best part was the students and staff were glowing! The students did 19 laps around the building, then had a snack break. I was amazed that the students ran the majority of the time! The evening concluded with glow activities in the gym (bowling, hopscotch, ring toss and socializing). We are hoping to do another Glow Run/Walk in October. There could be some spooky fun ahead!



Students will be receiving a letter this week for the upcoming MAP schedule. Our special education students will start testing the week of April 2nd. The rest of the building will start testing the week of April 16th.



Thank you for all you do to support our school,

*Mrs. Malizzi, OMS Principal*

*#teamOMS*



## **Athletics and Activities Alert:**

The OMS Track & Field team has taken shape with a large contingent of hard working 7th and 8th grade students. Practices are daily from 3:00 - 4:30. With ten meets on the schedule, the team will travel to Grain Valley on March 29th for their first open competition.

Thank you to Mr. Buford and all students who participated in Intramurals. Many students took advantage of the extra time to sharpen their basketball and volleyball skills last month. It was a success and fun to watch!

### Important Dates:

March 8 - OMS Track & Field Team Parent Meeting - 4:45

March 29 - First Track Meet -- Grain Valley Open - 4:00

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

*Mr. Doering, OMS Assistant Principal & Athletic Director*



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## Bulldog of the Month

February's theme was: **#togetherwecan**

Teachers choose students who help, serve, and work together

### Students:

Trenton McCord, Amanda Rickey, Anikah Kaler,  
Brandon Lorenz, Jaisyra Starchman, Trevor Graham,  
Not pictured: Charlie Brown



## Staff Member Spotlight

Mrs. Julie Carver teaches Family and Consumer Science. She lives in rural Odessa with her husband Steve. They will celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary this summer! Their oldest daughter, Jessica, is married and has a son Cooper. He will be three in April. Jessica teaches 2nd grade, and her husband works for Homeland Security. Mrs. Carver's other daughter Jennifer lives in Kansas, and is a General Manager for Marriott hotels. Her youngest daughter Jaclyn is an Assistant Marketing Director for MMGY Global Marketing on the Plaza.

Mrs. Carver likes to spend her free time with family, especially her grandson! Her other interests are sewing, gardening, cooking, and going on family vacations.



Thank you staff for helping at the Glow Walk/Run



### Dates of Interest:

**March 10th: Advisory Parties**

**March 15th: Early Release— Conferences 12-7pm**

**March 16th: No school— Spring Break**

**March 19th: STEP Meeting 3:15pm**

**March 30th: No School—Easter Break**

**April 2nd and 3rd: School will be in session**

### March is Autoimmune Awareness month.

It has been documented that approximately 4 in 1 million children each year could develop this rare disease. This disease affects the blood vessels, muscles and skin. In an autoimmune disease the immune system reacts in a different way and becomes overactive in normal/healthy tissue. This type of immune system reaction leads to inflammation, which causes tissues to swell and can lead to tissue damage. Juvenile Dermatomyositis also causes a skin rash and will cause muscle weakness and joint pain.

## Test your OMS Staff Knowledge!

Match the fact with the staff member. How many siblings does the staff member have?

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|---------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. One brother and 2 sisters    | A. Mr. Doherty |
| 2. Two brothers                 | B. Mrs. Quick  |
| 3. Zero Siblings                | C. Mr. Hughes  |
| 4. One sister                   | D. Mrs. Lefman |
| 5. Three bothers and one sister | E. Mrs. Pierce |

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