

The Bulldog

OMS Newsletter

November 2018

OMS Students, Families, and Staff,

OMS was a busy place during October. We had our second annual Glow/Walk run in the building. The staff helped black-out the halls for a night of running and glowing. In addition, the 7th and 8th grade students had their school dance. Mrs. Pierce was our DJ, and the students had a fun time. She is wanting to plan another dance or two!

Mrs. Cicle's students have been busy making products to sell again this year. Mrs. Hart has lead the team on making drawstring bags and bath bombs this year! Their next sale will be December 18-20, just in time for Christmas. Everything is under \$5, and the students would love to sale you an item or two during your lunch block!

This year we had 70 eighth grade students qualify for Honor Society! What an outstanding accomplishment for our students. The students have to have superior academics, attendance, citizenship, and discipline. We are very proud of her new Honor Society members.

OMS now has a Twitter page! Please follow our page: @oms_bulldog.

Thank you for all you do to support our school,

Mrs. Malizzi, OMS Principal

Athletics and Activities Alert:

Winter Activities are underway at OMS! Wrestling is already in week number two, and basketball tryouts have wrapped up. Tack on Winter Guard Club along with Honor Choir and Band rehearsals and we get a full schedule with many busy kids!

Here at OMS we preach sportsmanship, accountability and character to our student athletes. We like to brag about where we're from, and we ask for support at our upcoming games & events. Please represent the students, school and town with <u>school spirit</u>, <u>class</u> and <u>sportsmanship</u> at the upcoming events.

Important Dates:

November 15 -- OMS Wrestling - Home Meet @ OMS - 4:30 PM November 17 & 19 -- OMS Basketball - A Tournament @ Sherwood-Cass November 20 -- OMS Basketball - First regular season games vs. Marshall Bueker Middle - 5 PM November 27 -- OMS Wrestling - Home meet - Middle school through Varsity @ OHS - 5 PM

* 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

This month's theme was: **#beyourself**

Teachers choose students who were unique, brave, and authentic.

Students:

#YOURLEGACY 8

Myranda Lefman, Emma Jones, Jasper Lunceford, Anthony Degraffenried, Soloman Goertz, and Lilly Sutherland (Larry Brown-Not pictured)



Dates of Interest:

November 9th: 6th Grade Field Trip November 12th-16th: American Education Week November 13th: 7th Grade Field Trip November 21st-23rd: Thanksgiving Break



Staff Member Spotlight

Mr. Fisher

I am still very excited to be in my first year here in Odessa as the Assistant Band Director. I get the opportunity to work with the high school and middle school band students every day alongside Mr. Twombly. I grew up in Lee's Summit and started in music from an early age, beginning piano lessons when I was 4 years old. My main instruments are the horn, piano, and

singing bass in choirs. I also frequent all of the other brass

instruments (trumpet, trombone, baritone, and tuba). Outside of music I enjoy camping, hiking, and backpacking all over the country. One of my favorite things about teaching band is the opportunity that I have to see my students develop as citizens and musicians over the course of 7 straight years until they graduate.



Fun Fact: Mr. Fisher spent his honeymoon in Paris!

Mental Health Awareness

Talking to your child

Adolescence is a time when kids often do not open up as much with their parents. Here are some tips to get the conversation flowing:

Ask open-ended questions, Don't rush to solve their problems, be available and make sure your child knows it, and Try talking in the car.

For more information please contact Mrs. Cowman, OMS social worker. at 633-1500.

Test your OMS Staff Knowledge!

Match the fact with the staff member.

- **Coaches High School Football** 1.
- 2. Coaches Middle School Girls Basketball
- 3. Coaches High School Wrestling
- 4. Coaches Middle School Boys Basketball
- 5. Honor Choir Director

- A. Mrs. Bross
- **B. Mr. Hughes**
- C. Mr. Herring
- D. Mr. Aulbert
- E. Mr. Kratz

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