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Weekly news for current families of O'Dea High School

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O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

JULY 17 , 2017 - JULY 23, 2017

Weekly Schedule

Below is the summer weight room schedule. Please direct any questions to Director of Strength & Conditioning, [Coach Paxton Paynter](#).

Monday, July 17th - Main Office Closed

*Varsity Football, 7am-8:45am OR 9am-10:45am

*JV Football, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Baseball, Wrestling, 11am to 12:45pm OR 1pm-2:45pm

*Incoming freshmen, 3pm-4pm

Tuesday, July 18th - Tech Tuesdays

*Varsity Football, 8am-9:30am

*JV Football, 10am-11:30am

Wednesday, July 19th

*Varsity Football, 7am-8:45am OR 9am-10:45am

*JV Football, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Baseball, Wrestling, 11am to 12:45pm OR 1pm-2:45pm

*Incoming freshmen, 3pm-4pm

Thursday, July 20th

*Varsity Football, 7am-8:45am OR 9am-10:45am

*JV Football, Varsity Basketball, Varsity Baseball, Wrestling, 11am to 12:45pm OR 1pm-2:45pm

*Incoming freshmen - Off

Friday, July 21st

*Weight Room Closed

Click [here](#) to view the entire O'Dea Calendar for most up to date event details!

Main Office

Retirement Wishes for Dianne Irwin

Respectful of Dianne's wishes, we will not be throwing her a retirement party. Instead we will be surprising her with a book of cards, pictures and messages from members of the O'Dea community. If you would like to make a contribution please mail it to O'Dea High School or email [Taylor Thornton](#) by **Friday, July 14th**. Thank you for helping us recognize Dianne for all her years of service to O'Dea.

Summer Mailing

By now you should have received the summer mailing. In this packet you will find required paperwork for the start of school, your son's class list, tuition information from the business office and more. **The required paperwork is due in the Main Office by August 1, 2017.** Please direct any questions to [Taylor Thornton](#), Administrative Assistant. Thank you!

Book Fee Reminder

The 2017-2018 Book Fee of \$200 will be deducted from your bank account of record on **August 1, 2017** if we have not received payment from you before that day.

Please direct any questions to [Christine Naranjo-Clarke](#). Thank you!

Academics & Counseling

Surface Tablet Program

Please see below for a few helpful tips regarding the launch of our new Surface Tablet Program for the 2017-2018 school year:

- If you plan to purchase a Surface Tablet through our preferred vendor, SHI, please order prior to August 1st to ensure delivery before the first day of school. For instructions on how to purchase from SHI, please reference the [Surface FAQs](#) on our website.
- Please click [here](#) for instructions regarding required downloads for your Surface.
- To familiarize yourself with the Surface and help improve your skills with OneNote and Office 2016, you may visit [this](#) YouTube channel.
- The first day students are required to bring their Surface Tablet to school is Friday, August 25th.
- All digital textbooks will be provided during the week of August 28th
- If you would like personalized help as you begin exploring the Surface Tablet please attend one of our "Tech Tuesdays". These sessions are held on July 18th, July 25th, August 1st or August 8th between 10:00 and 1:00 in room 211.

Please feel free to reach out to [David Olinger](#), Director of Educational Technology, with any questions. Thank you!

Student Life

Class of 2021 - New Family Picnic

Incoming freshmen families, please save the date of **Sunday, September 10, 2017** for the New Family Picnic at Woodland Park. This gathering is for O'Dea and Holy Names students, parents, and families of the Class of 2021. For additional details and to RSVP for the BBQ, please click [here](#).

Athletics

Little Irish Program

The inaugural season for the Little Irish Program was a huge success with over 60 Little Irish! If you know a young boy or girl that is entering grades K-6 for the upcoming school year, please consider enrolling them in the Little Irish Program. This program is designed to match a young student with an O'Dea football player. It encourages our young men to become positive leaders and role models in the greater O'Dea community and presents an opportunity for the young people of our community to have a mentor in their lives.

If you are interested, please submit the [registration form](#) to the Main Office. Contact Director of Community Relations, [John O'Neill](#), with any questions. Thank you! Go Irish!

Advancement Office

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Would you like Amazon to donate .5% of your eligible purchase price to O'Dea when you shop on their website? Next time you visit their site, log on at smile.amazon.com (same user name and password as your regular account!) and select O'Dea as your charity of choice. The same products and pricing are available to you AND Amazon will make a donation to O'Dea. After you select us the first time, as long as you log into smile.amazon.com we will automatically receive a donation. It's a great and easy way to support O'Dea!

Volunteer Opportunities

In the coming months the Advancement Office will be forming two different committees: The Annual Giving Committee and The Development Committee. The Annual Giving Committee gives advice on the annual campaign and helps make phone calls to past donors. The Development Committee will help provide overall strategic direction in all areas of advancement. If you are interested in serving on either committee, please email [Laura Weinand](#). Thank you!

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[August 15th](#) - House Student Leadership Planning Day

[August 16th](#) - Football Practice Begins

[August 21st](#) - Cross Country Practice Begins

[August 21st](#) - Band Rehearsals Begin

[August 21st](#) - Freshmen Football Parent Meeting, O'Dea Gym @ 1:30pm

[August 22nd](#) - Golf Tryouts Begin

[August 24th](#) - First Day of School!

[Click here to view the full O'Dea calendar!](#)

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