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O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

NOVEMBER 27, 2017 - DECEMBER 3, 2017

Weekly Schedule

[Monday, November 27th](#) - Maroon

[Tuesday, November 28th](#) - Gold

IB: Student Leadership

[Wednesday, November 29th](#) - Maroon MM

*Mothers' Club Deck the Halls Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 6pm

[Thursday, November 30th](#) - Gold

*Varsity Wrestling Match vs. Bainbridge, 6:30pm @ Eastside Catholic

[Friday, December 1st](#) - Maroon (Relaxed Dress)

*Football State Championship (TBD)

*Swim Meet vs. Lakeside, 4pm @ Helene Madison Pool

*Freshmen Basketball vs. Ballard, 4pm @ O'Dea

*JV Basketball vs. Ballard, 5:45pm @ O'Dea

*Varsity Basketball vs. Ballard, 7:30pm @ O'Dea

[Saturday, December 2nd](#)

*Class of 2022 Placement Exam, 8am @ O'Dea

*Varsity Wrestling Tourney "Wrestlerama", 9am @ Stanwood High School

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

Congratulations O'Dea Community!

Sam Catherall Canned Food Challenge

Heading into Thanksgiving, we have much to be grateful for. At a special all-school assembly today, Principal Walker announced the exciting results of the Sam Catherall Canned Food Challenge. As a school, O'Dea brought in an astounding amount of canned food for Northwest Harvest: more than 18,000 pounds, enough for 90,000 meals! The inspiration for this challenge, Dublin House senior Sam Catherall, brought in an incredible 13,318 pounds, with the rest of the school bringing in nearly 4,800 pounds. Top mentor groups included Team Remedios, Team McNulty, Team Butorac, and Team McPharlin/Kight. **Dublin House** claimed the top prize as a House.

Thanks to all O'Dea students and families for this amazing outpouring of support for those who need it most this Thanksgiving and beyond. Through our Relaxed Dress Day and public donations to Sam, \$3,863 was also donated to Northwest Harvest. As a result of meeting the Challenge, Principal Walker announced that the school schedule for Friday, January 12th, has been changed to a Relaxed Dress Minimum Day! GO IRISH!



Academics & Counseling

Microsoft Surface Stylus

This Surface Program at O'Dea requires that all students have a stylus compatible with their Microsoft Surface. Without this resource, students are hindering their learning. This tool is imperative for each young man to reach his highest potential in the classroom. If a stylus has been lost, please replace it in a timely fashion. Thank you for your cooperation!

Your Weekly Tech Tip!

All student assignments are listed on the Microsoft Teams calendar in Office 365 under the assignments tab. This tab was created to act like a student planner where teachers can communicate assignments, tests, and project deadlines.

Faith & Service

Christmas Family Project

That special time of year is almost upon on when our young O'Dea gentlemen, with the help of the Mother's Club and in partnership with Providence Regina House, will participate in the Christmas Family Project. This year, O'Dea has again adopted 10 families. Each mentor group will be assigned members of these families to provide gifts from their wish lists. Students and families will wrap and deliver these gifts to the doorsteps of families on Dec. 15. We hope everyone will support this project any way they can – please talk with your son about ways to get involved, and look for more information after Thanksgiving! If you have any questions, please email Waterford House Dean [Brandon Maul](#).

The Arts

Music Ensemble Schedules

Instrumental Ensembles

November 27 - Band - 7:05am

November 28 - Band - 7:05am

November 29 - Drum Line - 7:05am

November 30 - Band - 7:05am

December 01 - Band - 7:05am / Football Game (TBD)

Vocal Ensembles

November 27 - M3 Choir

November 29 - M3 Choir

December 01 - M3 Choir

Advancement Office

#GiveGOLD on #GivingTuesday

Next Tuesday, November 28th, is a national day of giving created to inspire people to support non-profit organizations that are important in their lives. We are excited to announce that longtime O'Dea champion, Roy F. Simperman has generously agreed to match all gifts O'Dea received on this day of giving – up to \$20,000! This is an incredible opportunity for you to double your gift to help enrich the lives of our students. Donations can be made by clicking [HERE](#). Thank you in advance for your contributions.



Mothers' Club

Basketball Concessions - Volunteers Needed

Basketball season is right around the corner and we need volunteers to help us run the concession stand. Sign-ups will be made online through sign-up genius. The link will soon be available [HERE](#) and on the O'Dea homepage under announcements. All concession volunteers will need to have a food handlers permit. If you do not have a permit you can get one [HERE](#). The cost is \$10 and is good for two years. After completed, please turn it into the Main Office or email a copy to [Darcy Leary-Bignayan](#). We look forward to welcoming new faces to the basketball concessions stand. Thank you and GO IRISH!

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[December 6th](#) - Fathers' Club Meeting, Biology Lab @ 6:30pm

[December 6th-9th](#) - Fall Encounter

[December 13th](#) - Christmas Concert

[December 18th - January 1st](#) - No School, Christmas Vacation

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