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O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

JANUARY 15, 2018 - JANUARY 21, 2018

Weekly Schedule

[Monday, January 15th](#) - No School, MLK Day

[Tuesday, January 16th](#) - Final Exams (M1 & M2)

*Frosh Basketball vs. Blanchet, 4pm @ O'Dea

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

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

[Wednesday, January 17th](#) - Final Exams (M3 & M4)

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

*Frosh Basketball vs. Cleveland, 7pm @ Cleveland

[Thursday, January 18th](#) - Final Exams (G1 & G2)

*Varsity Wrestling Match vs. Ingraham & Nathan Hale, 6:30pm @ Ingraham

[Friday, January 19th](#) - Final Exams (G3)

*JV Basketball vs. Franklin, 5:30pm @ Franklin

*Varsity Basketball vs. Franklin, 8:30pm @ O'Dea

[Saturday, January 20th](#)

*Cap & Gown Order Day, 10am-1pm @ O'Dea Library

*O'Dea/HNA Winter Ball, 8-11pm @ Museum of Pop Culture (EMP)

Please click [HERE](#) to view the entire O'Dea Calendar.

Message from the Principal

Thank you Santa Helpers!

Just a quick note to express my appreciation to all the Santa Helpers who so generously donated to provide a Christmas gift to O'Dea's faculty and staff. I can assure you that your kindness was well received, and your thoughtfulness made a difference in a genuine and meaningful way. Thank you also for all you do, every day, to support our programs, students, faculty, staff, and to advance our most worthy of missions.

Go Irish!

Jim Walker

Principal

Main Office

First Semester Final Exams Schedule

Final exams for the first semester will begin on Tuesday, January 16th. The exam schedule will extend over four days and includes one 90-minute exam, project, or presentation per course. Students will be required to be in attendance during all seven exam periods. We will communicate more detailed information (extended time, etc.) in January.

Tuesday, January 16th Maroon 1 8:10 am - 9:40 am Mentor Group 9:45 am - 9:55 am Maroon 2 10:00 am - 11:30 am		Wednesday, January 17th Gold 1 8:10 am - 9:40 am Mentor Group 9:45 am - 9:55 am Gold 2 10:00 am - 11:30 am	
Thursday, January 18th Maroon 3 8:10 am - 9:40 am Mentor Group 9:45 am - 9:55 am Maroon 4 10:00 am - 11:30 am		Friday, January 19th Gold 3 8:10 am - 9:40 am	

FACTS Tuition System Coming to O'Dea

We are excited to share with you we will be moving to the FACTS tuition system for the 2018–2019 school year. This system provides you with enhanced tuition services including tuition payments reminders, the ability to change payment methods yourself throughout the year including the use of a credit card to pay tuition, and more visibility into your tuition balances and payments. We will continue to share additional information with you about this service via the Family Bulletin and your enrollment mailing. All remaining tuition payments for the current school year and the 2018-2019 returning student enrollment fee of \$400 due this March will be paid with our current system. Please contact [Joan Moore](#) with any questions.

Freshmen Scholarship Opportunity

The Josh King Scholarship is awarded annually to one freshman student who demonstrates leadership and the desire for social justice. This \$3,000 per year award is given to the winning student for his sophomore, junior, and senior years as long as he is enrolled at O'Dea. Please encourage your son to apply; you may access the application by clicking [HERE](#). The application is due to Mrs. Thornton by Friday, February 2nd. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact [Mrs. Thornton](#).

Senior Parents - Important Date Change

The order date for Senior graduation caps and gowns has changed to Saturday, January 20th from 10AM – 1PM. **This is a different date than previously published.** Students should come to the library with their completed order forms which will be given to the seniors in Mr. Greenan's class next Wednesday and Thursday, January 10th and 11th. Please note that the library will only be accessible via the elevator; all school doors will be locked. If you have any questions, please contact [Mrs. Thornton](#).

Academics & Counseling

PowerSchool Blackout

Student and parent access to PowerSchool will be shut down during our first semester grading period beginning at Noon on January 12th. Once all student grades are finalized and stored parent and student access to PowerSchool will resume. If you have any questions during this time, please contact [Mr. David Olinger](#). Thank you for your patience!

Student Life

Winter Ball

This year's Winter Ball ("Dancing in the Rain") will once again be at the Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP, formerly EMP Museum) in downtown Seattle from 8-11pm on Saturday, January 20th. We will have DJ music, dancing, high-quality photos (for purchase from Yuen Lui), and access to interactive, themed museum exhibits, including: horror movies, "We Are 12" Seahawks artifacts, Star Trek, the SoundLab, and Indie video games sponsored by Nintendo. Come join the fun!

Attire is semi-formal (see [Dance Guidelines](#) for specific attire instructions). Tickets can be purchased until January 19th by clicking [HERE](#) (\$55 single/\$110 couple). Any guests (except those from HNA) need to complete an [O'Dea Dance Guest Form](#) and turn it into Dean Magee for review by January 19th. Please contact Waterford Dean [Mr. Brandon Maul](#) with questions.

Faith & Service

Service Hour Reminder

Just a reminder that each student needs to log 25 hours of service into X2vol by May 1, 2018 to meet their service requirement. Students have four months left to complete this! If you are looking for service opportunities be sure to check out the "Opportunities" section of your X2vol account! Agencies can post straight to X2vol if they have a need for volunteers. If you have any trouble with X2vol please reach out to [Ms. Danielle Curl](#), Director of Campus Ministry. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunity

St. George School is looking for student volunteers to help out with dinner service during their [Annual Auction](#) on Saturday, April 28th from 5-10 pm. They need about ten students willing to volunteer. If interested please email auction@saintgeorgeseattle.org or call 206-762-0656.

Spring Encounter

Senior Parents: If you're student is interested in being a leader on the Spring Encounter Retreat, April 18th-21st, please have him pick up an application form in Ms. Curl's Office. Applications must be turned by Friday, January 26th in order to be considered for the position. Students who apply must have been on Encounter already.

Junior Parents: The Spring Encounter is coming up this April 18th-21st. Permission forms are now available [HERE](#) or in Ms. Curl's Office. There are a limited number of spots, so get your form turned in to Ms. Curl as soon as possible.

The Arts

Music Ensemble Schedules

[Instrumental Ensembles](#)

January 16 - No Band

January 17 - Individual testing as scheduled

January 18 - No Drum Line - Individual testing as scheduled

January 19 - No Band - Individual testing as scheduled

January 20 - No Band - Individual testing as scheduled

[Vocal Ensembles](#)

January 18 - M3 Choir

Advancement Office

Italian Dinner

On **Saturday, January 27, 2018** at the 53rd Annual Italian Dinner we will recognize Tim Fant, O'Dea Parent Class of '17 and '18, with the Terrance Johnson Award and Tom Goedde, O'Dea Alum Class of '88, with the Alumni Volunteer of the Year Award. Both these men have given selflessly of their time to help advance the mission of O'Dea and we appreciate all they do.

We are currently looking for student volunteers to help the evening of the Italian Dinner. Please have your son stop by the Advancement office to get signed up if they are interested.

The event is currently sold out. If you would like to attend please email advancement@odea.org to hold your place on the waiting list. We will let you know if spots open up.

Celebrate O'Dea - March 17, 2018

Registration is now open for this year's Auction - Celebrate O'Dea! Make sure to RSVP soon as this event will sell out.

Make your reservation here!

Sign up [HERE](#) to participate in the Dessert Dash. To purchase a table or sponsor the event please contact [Allie DeLong](#) at 206 923 7540.

We look forward to seeing you on March 17th! It is going to be a great night as together we Celebrate O'Dea!

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[January 22nd](#) - No School in honor of 2017 State Championship Football Team

[January 27th](#) - Italian Dinner, 6pm @ Knights of Columbus

[February 7th](#) - Fathers' Club Meeting, Biology Lab @ 6:30pm

[February 12th](#) - Festival of Catholic High School Choirs, 7pm @ Benaroya Hall

[February 13th](#) - Mothers' Club Meeting, O'Dea Library @ 6pm

[February 19th](#) - No School, President's Day

[February 20th](#) - No School, Faculty & Staff Retreat

[February 23rd-25th](#) - O'Dea/HNA Drama Production

[February 26th](#) - Spring Sports Begin

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

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