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O'DEA FAMILY BULLETIN

JANUARY 8, 2018 - JANUARY 14, 2018

Weekly Schedule

Special Note: The basketball games versus Ballard on Saturday, January 6th are at O'Dea High School and not Ballard High School, as previously published.

Monday, January 8th - Gold

IB: MLK Assembly

*Frosh Basketball vs. Seattle Prep, 7:30pm @ Seattle Prep

Tuesday, January 9th - Maroon

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

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

Wednesday, January 10th - Gold MM

IB: Winter Spirit Assembly

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

*Frosh Basketball vs. Cleveland, 7pm @ Cleveland

Thursday, January 11th - Maroon

*Varsity Wrestling Match vs. Chief Sealth & West Seattle, 6:30pm @ Eastside Catholic

Friday, January 12th - Gold Min (12pm Dismissal - Sam Catherall Food Challenge!)

IB: General Interest & Service

*Swim/Dive Meet vs. Bainbridge, 3:30pm @ Bainbridge

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

*Varsity Basketball vs. Cleveland, 8:30pm @ Cleveland

Saturday, January 13th

*Varsity Wrestling, Marysville-Pilchuk Premier Tourney, 9am @ Marysville-Pilchuk

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

Main Office

Important Schedule Announcements

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

No School - Monday, January 22nd: There will be no school on Monday, January 22nd following the first semester final exams as we celebrate the hard work and amazing finish of our 2017 Football State Championship team.

Special 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

Microsoft Showcase School

We are excited to announce that O'Dea was selected by Microsoft as a 2017-2018 Microsoft Showcase School as a recognition of excellence in transforming our students' learning environment to deliver more personalized education. As a Showcase School we join an exclusive community of more than 850 premier schools from around the world, recognized to celebrate our pioneering efforts and innovation in rethinking teaching, learning and assessment in order to drive deep 21st century competencies. This recognition speaks volumes about our educator's dedication to their practice and their resilience during this year of radical transformation at O'Dea. Congratulations O'Dea!

We are a Microsoft Showcase School



Student Life

Winter Ball

Once again, our Winter Ball ("Dancing in the Rain") will be in the super-fun Museum of Pop Culture (MoPOP, formerly EMP Museum) in downtown Seattle from 8-11pm on Saturday, January 20th. We will have DJ music, dancing, and access to lively museum exhibits. Attire is semi-formal (see [Dance Guidelines](#) for specific attire instructions). Ticket sales will begin online on January 2nd and can be purchased [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!

March For Life

This year the March for Life rally in Olympia falls is on Monday, January 22nd. There are no classes that day so we will not be able to take a group of students down to the rally. However, participating in the rally counts as service and students are encouraged to go with friends and family if they are able.

Encounter 94 - Thank you!

The December Encounter With Christ retreat was a success! Thank you to all who contributed and attended! We had some moving talks, learned more about our friends, and grew closer to each other and to Christ! Here are some of the comments written by students who attended:

- o "It was a great experience, I will never forget it."
- o "I think everyone on this retreat realized that everyone in our brotherhood is where we can find Christ."
- o "I will never forget the memorable experiences I have had on this retreat."
- o "This retreat was a much needed reflection and bonding point. Thank you!"
- o "Excellent experience, not one bad thing to say about the activities or my time here."
- o "Encounter truly shows why O'Dea is like no other school."
- o "Thank you so much for putting this Encounter retreat together. It has helped me to see that God is the most important part of my life. I have also gone to confession for the first time in my life while here. This experience has changed me spiritually."

The Arts

Music Ensemble Schedules

Instrumental Ensembles

January 8 - Band - 7:05am

January 9 - Band - 7:05am / Basketball game - meet @ 6:30pm

January 10 - Drum Line - 7:05am

January 11 - Band - 7:05am

January 12 - Band - 7:05am

Vocal Ensembles

January 9 - M3 Choir

January 11 - M3 Choir

Advancement Office

Celebrate O'Dea - March 17, 2018

Our website is NOW OPEN for this year's auction - Celebrate O'Dea! To purchase tickets and/or to donate an item, please click [HERE](#). Thank you to all families who have already donated so many great items. If you haven't already done so, please be sure to turn in your procurement forms to the Advancement Office. It is going to be a great night as together we Celebrate O'Dea!

For questions regarding reservations please contact [Melissa Williams](#) at 206.923.7523. 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!

Italian Dinner



O'DEA HIGH SCHOOL 53RD ANNUAL ITALIAN DINNER

Join us as we honor the Terrance Johnson and Alumni Volunteer of the Year Award Winners

Saturday, January 27, 2018 @ Knights of Columbus Hall, 722 E Union, Seattle, WA

- 6pm social, dinner, awards and raffle
- Lenny Luzzi to entertain you with his accordion and endless Italian classics

Cost is \$30 reserve your spot now online: odea.org/support-odea/italian-dinner

Proceeds support O'Dea student retreat programs

Questions or to volunteer: advancement@odea.org

Make your reservation!

Looking Ahead

Important Dates to Remember

[January 16th-19th](#) - First Semester Final Exams

[January 20th](#) - O'Dea/HNA Winter Ball

[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

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