



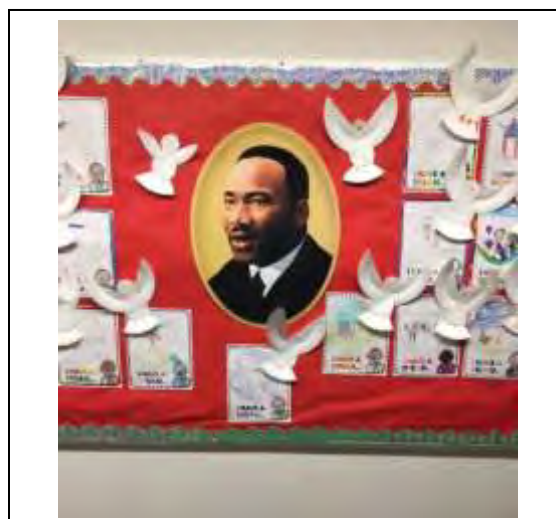
Odyssey Charter School

Nurturing a Lifelong Love of Learning

WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WEEK OF 3/2/2020 – 3/8/2020

Event	Location School/Building	Time Start	Time End	Notes
Monday, 3/2/20				
First day of spring sports				https://www.odysseychartersports.com/
End of MP 2 Gr. K-2				
BPA High School	23 - 109	3:00pm	4:15pm	Please pick up your child outside Building 23
Greek Dance Club	21 - 136	3:00pm	4:15pm	
Greek Choir	20	3:30pm	4:30pm	Please pick up your child at lower school by the playground.
Tuesday, 3/3/20				
Middle School Book Club	22-200	3:00pm	4:00pm	Pick up at 4:00 in front of the middle school (building 21)
Greek Art Club	22 - 213	3:00pm	4:30pm	
7th grade MS Track and Field Tryouts	OCS	3:30pm	5:00pm	Please complete the survey on the link below. This will give us up to date information about your runner and contact information for emergencies. YOUR RUNNER WILL NOT BE ALLOWED AT TRYOUTS IF THIS SURVEY HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K9DZ3QM
Wednesday, 3/4/20				
High School PSAT & SAT testing				Seniors should not report to school. https://tinyurl.com/uacsfjs
TSA Middle School	23 - 111	3:00pm	4:15pm	
Gardening & Cooking Club	23 - 135	3:00pm	4:30pm	Pick up in front of the High School
Speech & Debate Team	23 - 132	3:00pm	4:30pm	Pick up in front of the High School
7th ARCHERY CLUB	22 cafeteria	3:30pm	5:00pm	Pick up in front of Bldg 22 at 5 pm. Students picked up late will be sent to aftercare which may result in additional fees
8th grade MS Track and Field Tryouts	OCS	3:30pm	5:00pm	Please complete the survey on the link below. This will give us up to date information about your runner and contact information for emergencies. YOUR RUNNER WILL NOT BE ALLOWED AT TRYOUTS IF THIS SURVEY HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K9DZ3QM
PTO Meeting	20 - 222	4:00pm		
Sunday, 3/8/20				
Daylight Saving Time Begins				
State of Delaware Cheerleading Competition	Smyrna High School	TBD		MS & HS Compete

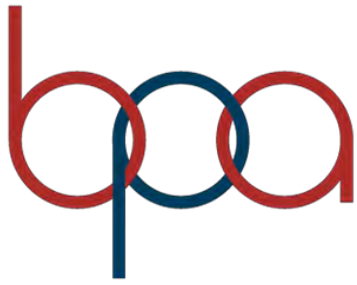
During the month of February, the Kindergarten Team and their students collaborated to produce a project highlighting a famous black American for Black History month. Each class selected a famous black American to research. Students listened to biographies, read aloud, wrote important facts, watched video clips, made crafts, and created a poster displaying a famous black American. As a culminating activity, each classroom teacher then included technology to videotape the students presenting their information to their classmates. All of the videos were then shared among the kindergarten classes. Everyone learned a great deal from one another about a few famous black Americans like Lonnie Johnson, Barrack Obama, Jackie Robinson, Catherine Johnson, Oprah Winfrey, Ruby Bridges, Rosa Parks, and Harriet Tubman. Be sure to take a peek at the famous black American posters hanging outside of each of the kindergarten classrooms!



High School Students Celebrate Black History Month

High School students participated in a presentation by [Atnre Alleyne](#) focused on highlighting Black Excellence and learning more about what Ancient Greeks learned from Ancient Africans. Students asked insightful questions and were inspired by the talk. Thank you for joining us to celebrate Black History Month!





**BUSINESS
PROFESSIONALS
of AMERICA**

**Giving Purpose
to Potential**

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE JANUARY 2020



Congratulations Middle School Business Professionals of America Members who placed at the State Leadership Conference!

- Aastha Desai, Sai Kamila, Isheta Kulshreshtha, and Ishita Sai brought home First Place in Presentation Management Team.
- Hannah O'Reilly took Fifth Place in Business Communication Skills Concepts.
- Ashwika Pandey earned Third Place in Digital Citizenship.
- Eesha Sagiraju brought home Second Place in Business Math Concepts.

These students qualify to compete at BPA's National Leadership Conference outside of Washington, D.C. in May.

Congratulations to ALL of the members who participated at the conference. Way to go!!!

Odyssey Charter has many confirmed cases of Influenza – often known as the flu. Flu symptoms often progress quickly with high fever. Unfortunately, flu is often transmitted before symptoms are present. Odyssey is making every effort to increase awareness, wipe surfaces and encourage hand washing with students. If you have additional questions please reach out to your building level RN.

Additionally, OCS is aware of pop-up cases of Mumps being seen throughout New Castle County, especially in schools. We are continuing to monitor this situation and all health concerns that are affecting students across the state. Per the Delaware Board of Health, all families should ensure that students' vaccines are up to date and continue to be proactive about handwashing and cleaning surfaces to prevent illness.

Is My Child Well Enough to Come to School?



School attendance is very important for learning and academic growth. However, if your child is ill, it is very difficult for him/her to be efficient during the school day. In the best interest and protection of *all* our students, we ask that you use good judgment in keeping your child at home when they are not feeling well.

Please do not send your child to school when he/she:

- has a fever of 100 degrees or more
- has a persistent cough
- has been vomiting or has diarrhea
- has any rash
- has open or draining skin sores
- has inflamed or draining eyes or ears

When your child returns to school, please send him/her with a signed note within 3 days indicating the reason for absence. Absences of 3 or more days require a note from a medical professional to be excused.

The New Kids



ENTER THE RAFFLE now through Fri., March 6.
2 winners get to **NAME A GOAT** (both are male),
participate in a **MEET & GREET** with the goats,
& a professional **PHOTO SHOOT** with the goats.

Cash, check, and online payment (Velocity)
accepted.

*If you pay with Velocity, please select "Green
Team Donation" as purpose of payment and enter
"Name the Goats Raffle" under "Other Details."*

Thank you for supporting the new kids!

Questions? bruce.fox@odyssey.k12.de.us



Student Name: _____

Grade: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

\$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets

of Tickets: _____

Total \$: _____

Select ☒ One:

☐ Enclosed ☐ Online

CALLING ALL NEWSPAPERS!

Teachers administering DeSSA / Smarter Balanced assessments are required to remove or cover their walls during testing.

To help, we are collecting newspapers for teachers to cover their walls. Collection will run from **Monday March 2, 2020 - Friday May 1, 2020.**

Boxes for newspaper donations will be in each building lobby.

Thank you for your support!

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Round the Rotunda...? What Rotunda?
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ard Rotunda that used to be a major land-
in the old provincial capitol, Pasig's motel
Barrio Kapitolyo has been sneakily removed
in order to avoid a firestorm from posse
tionists. They did it so well and so slowly
motorists and pedestrians are now asking
longer is this hide and seek going to take
ters, locals and motorists are wondering
national or local authorities have decided on
of traffic management. Will there be a traffic
intersection between Shaw Boulevard, Capitol
is and Barrio Kapitolyo? Or will it be one of
ganic intersections maintained by humans or
personnel of the Pasig TPO?

le are also asking about the huge diggings and
shed concrete posts at various points "around"
intersection. Vendors in the area claim they are
n elevated platform for pedestrians. But how
they've stopped working on the project for the
three months, blocked walkways and shrunk the
y into the village? With people, motorcycles and
s fighting for space, this "construction site is now
"accident waiting to happen."
It would help if the people or government offices
both local and national came out to explain or clarify
exactly what they intend to do and why on earth is the
project taking so long and why were the contractors al-
lowed to dig, dump, and wall the pedestrian walkway?

Still in the area of Pasig, as I drove down from Meralco
Avenue to St. Paul Road, to St. Martin, I was surpris
by a number of vehicles that would suddenly coun
flow at high speed nearly coming into my lane head-
soon discovered that they were all avoiding driving
a speed hump by driving around it because the h
was only on half the road and not totally across.
These half-humps may seem practical cost c
ideas but in truth they are an engineered invit
accidents. A year or two ago three kids reported
in a car accident inside Alabang Village. Acco
one of the residents, the kids were doing exac
the half-hump avoiders were doing. My gu
kids drove one side of tires by the canal and
side over the humps. Whatever the means o
St. Paul road half humps are too much of a
and a risk and should be completed across
road! The same should be done for hu
traffic areas in Metro Manila.

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Odyssey's Plastic Film Recycling Challenge!

Clean & Dry

What we are collecting:

- Grocery bags
- Bread bags
- Case overwrap
- Dry cleaning bags
- Newspaper sleeves
- Ice bags
- Wood pellet bags
- Ziplock and other reclosable bags
- Produce bags
- Bubble wrap
- Salt bags
- Cereal Bags

When we are collecting:
Please bring in your plastic film during the month of March.

Where we are collecting:
Look for the TREX recycling bins in:

- Building 20 Lobby
- Building 21 Lobby
- Building 22 Lobby
- Building 23 Lobby



RECYCLE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS
TO HELP PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT



What happens to the plastic and bags you recycle?

- Much of the plastic bag and film material is combined with scrap sawdust and molded into plastic "lumber" used for decks, piers, and parking lot stops. It is also used to manufacture new trash bags, corrugated pipe, pallets, buckets and containers.



Questions?

Please contact: Melissa Tracy
(Melissa.Tracy@Odyssey.k12.de.us) or

Prizes:

-First-place building winner will receive an Eco-Plastic bench.

5TH Grade Band Calendar

Please note the schedule changes for some instruments.

Monday (3/2) – Percussion

Tuesday (3/3) – Clarinets

Wednesday (3/4) – Flutes and Saxophones

Thursday (3/5) – Trumpets and Trombones

Friday (3/6) – *No band lessons*

Monday (3/9) – Percussion

Tuesday (3/10) – Flutes, Clarinets, and Saxophones

Wednesday (3/11) – Trumpets and Trombones

Thursday (3/12) – *No school*

Friday (3/13) – *No school*

Sunday	Monday (3/2) – Percussion	Tuesday (3/3) – Flutes	Wednesday (3/4) – Clarinets and Saxophones	Thursday (3/5) – Trumpets and Trombones	Friday (3/6) – <i>No band lessons</i>	Saturday
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OUR CURRENT BOOK:

GHOST BY JASON REYNOLDS

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, March 3rd 3:00-4:00pm

To participate:

- Obtain a copy of the book
- Read the book (the whole thing!)
- Come to the meeting on February 18th ready to discuss what you read

Next Meeting Dates:

Tuesday, March 3
Tuesday, March 17
Tuesday, April 21

Middle School Book Club

No need to sign up...just read the selected book and be ready to discuss it at our meetings!

Students vote on the book selections

Book Club will usually occur 2 Tuesdays a month

Discussions and Activities

Ms. Dawson's Room

Building 22 – Room 200

Pick up at 4:00pm at the middle school

OCS Band presents...

OCS VARIETY SHOW

Come show your talent! Anyone in grades 7-12 interested in showing off their skills in music, dance, comedy, or something else may audition!

**AUDITIONS - THURSDAY, MARCH 5
BUILDING 23 BAND ROOM
BEGINNING AT 3:00 P.M.**

**SHOW NIGHT - FRIDAY, MARCH 20
BUILDING 23 CAFETERIA
BEGINNING AT 6:00 P.M.**

Questions? Please email Mr. McCutcheon at:
andrew.mccutcheon@odyssey.k12.de.us

Audition Day

- Anyone in grades 7-12 can audition.
- Any act you choose to audition with should be your final product. Your act can be music, dance, comedy, drama, or something else school appropriate.
- When you are finished with your audition, you can do one of three things...
 1. Your parent/guardian can pick you up to go home.
 2. You can go home with a friend's parent/guardian but you will need a WRITTEN NOTE from your parent/guardian.
 3. You can wait for the other auditions to be over and can take the activity bus home.
- Mr. McCutchon and Mr. Parks will be the only judges for auditions.
- Please use the sign up sheet outside of the middle school cafeteria to express your interest.
- A rough schedule of audition day will be posted before March 5.

Rehearsals

- There will be two rehearsals and attendance is mandatory at at least one rehearsal. You will not be allowed to perform if you do not attend at least one rehearsal.

Rehearsals will take place on...

1. Wednesday, March 11 at 3:00 p.m. in the Building 23 Cafeteria
2. Tuesday, March 17 at 3:00 p.m. in the Building 23 Cafeteria

Performance

- Performance will take place on Friday, March 20 at 6:00 p.m.
- Tickets for the performance will be \$5.00 and will help raise money for the OCS Band.
- Performers are not required to purchase a ticket for the performance.

You are invited to our
First Ever...

Shamrock Hop

Please join us for a fun-filled event-
food, crafts, cake walk,
and dancing with DJ BIG VILLAGE

When: March 11th

Time: 5:30-7:30

**Where: Odyssey Charter School
Lower School- Building 20**

**Cost: Tickets sold at the door
(\$1 each for food items and cake walk)**

RSVP by February 28th

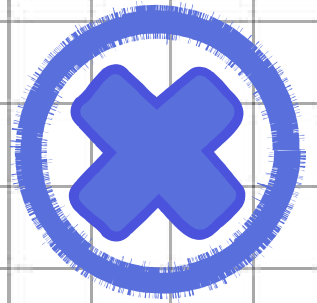
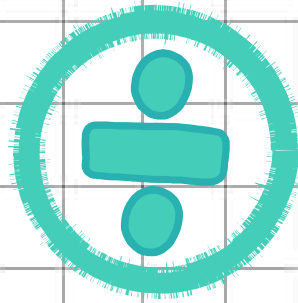
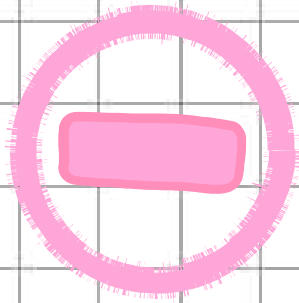
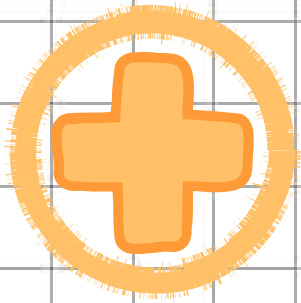
Homeroom _____ Family Name _____

Our family will be there! We will be bringing
_____ number of guest.

**** Families that RSVP will receive 3 free tickets ****

The Shamrock Hop is for lower school students and their families. Siblings of lower school students (younger or older) may attend. It is not open to other OCS students that are not siblings of lower school students due to space and age-appropriateness of the activities planned. Since it is a family event, we are asking that our parents and guardians are actively engaged with their children for the entire evening. If you have not returned the RSVP on the flyer, please do so by Tuesday, March 3, so that we can plan accordingly.

OCS INTERMEDIATE FAMILY MATH NIGHT!



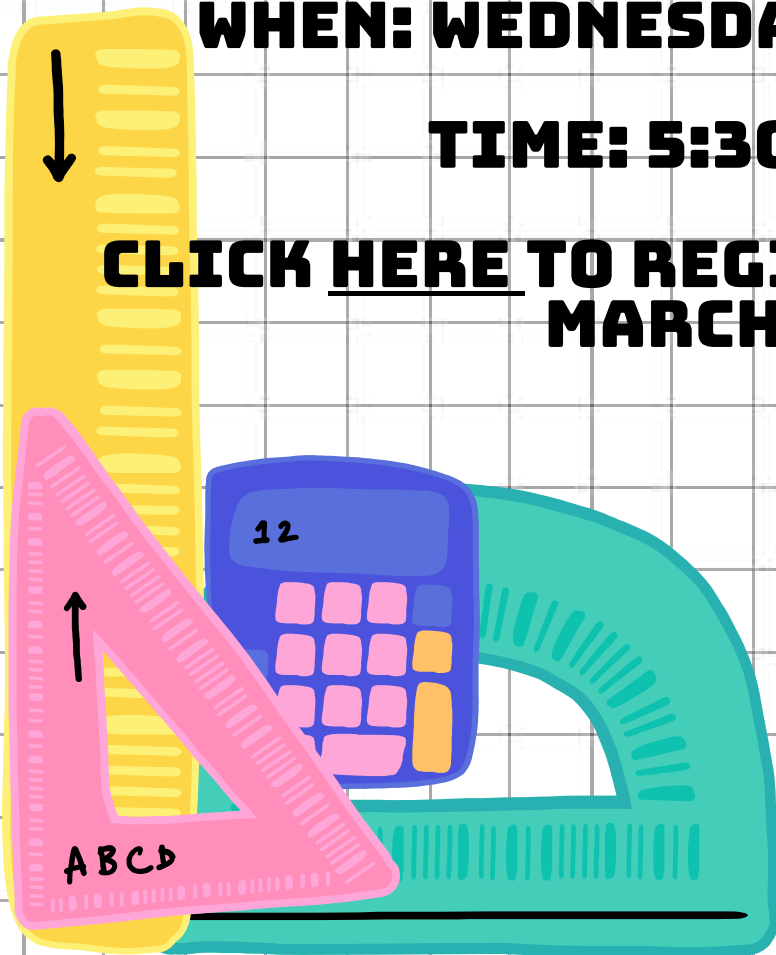
**COME ENJOY THE EVENING WITH
YOUR CHILD AS THEY HAVE FUN
DOING EVERY DAY MATH!**

**WHERE: OCS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
(BUILDING 22)**

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11TH

TIME: 5:30-7:30PM

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER BY FRIDAY,
MARCH 6TH!**



**SNACKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE TO BENEFIT IS STUDENT
COUNCIL**

****THIS IS NOT A DROP OFF EVENT**

Dear OCS families,



On **Sunday, March 29, 2020**, the Greek American community will be celebrating Greek Independence Day in downtown Philadelphia with a parade down the Benjamin Franklin Parkway. Odyssey Charter School holds a special place in this parade as the first school in the procession!

OCS will be providing bus transportation and snacks to and from the event for parents and students interested in attending the parade. Please note: attendees are not simply observers of the parade, but actually participate in the walk and are rewarded for attendance with a dress down day the following **Monday, March 30th**.

Buses will leave promptly at **12 noon** from the OCS **Lower School** on **Sunday, March 29th**. This year, OCS participants will be given the option to remain for the entire parade so that they can see traditional Greek dances, hear traditional Greek music, and eat delicious Greek treats!

Please be advised that all **students attending the parade must be supervised** at all times by an adult both during the parade and on buses.

In order to secure a seat on the bus, please fill out the following survey monkey **by Monday, March 16th**:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/C6KBFPL> (if link is not clickable, copy and paste it into the address bar)

Further information about the parade schedule, duration, and route will be shared when available.

Thank you and Happy Greek Independence Day!

Sincerely,

The Greek Department of OCS

OCS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT



Thursday, March 26, 2020, 6:00 pm -8:00pm,

OCS Intermediate School Cafeteria

Please follow car line procedure for drop-off/pickup.

Concession stand will be open. All items \$1.

Tickets will be on sale during lunch.

OCS Students Only!

ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP 2020

Camp Hours

8AM-4PM
BEFORE CARE: 7-8
AFTER CARE: 4-5:30

BREAKFAST
& LUNCH
PROVIDED!

Dates & Location

WEEKLY FROM
6/22-8/21

ODYSSEY CHARTER SCHOOL
4319 LANCASTER PIKE
BUILDING 22

Pricing

\$30 REGISTRATION FEE
\$200/WEEK
BEFORE CARE: \$30
AFTER CARE: \$40
BOTH: \$60
*WEEK OF 6/29 \$160

SIBLING
DISCOUNT
AVAILABLE!

Activities Include

WEEKLY TRIPS - SWIMMING - SPORTS - ARTS AND CRAFTS
COMPUTERS - PLAYGROUND - HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

Limited Space!

CALL (302) 516-8000 X 696
EMAIL: OCSSUMMERCAMP@ODYSSEY.K12.DE.US