

Otwell Middle School



6th grade Newsletter

*For the weeks of:
October 25 and November 1*

What's going on at Otwell...

Monday 10-25	Intramural Soccer! All grade levels 4:30-6:00	Title I Parent Math Class 6:30-8:00 room 331		
Tuesday 10-26	ELA Benchmark!	6 th Grade Band Concert! 6:00-7:30		
Wednesday 10-27	Math Benchmark!	Flag Football Intramurals— Practice Field 7:45-8:30	Intramural Soccer- All grade levels 4:30-600	
Thursday 10-28	Book Fair @ Barnes and Noble at The Avenues w/ 8th grade poetry slam!			
Friday 10-29	Hat Day!	Picture Retakes!!!		
Monday 11-1	STAFF AND STUDENT HOLIDAY!!			
Tuesday 11-2	TEACHER WORKDAY- STUDENT HOLIDAY!!	7 th grade BB- vs. Piney Grove@ Piney Grove 5:00-8:00		
Wednesday 11-3	Flag Football Intramurals Practice Field 7:45-8:30			

Thursday 11-4	8 th grade BB vs Piney Grove @ Piney Grove 5:00-8:00			
Friday 11-5	Fellowship of Christian Athletes in gym @ 8:00			

On Tuesday, October 26, Otwell Middle School students will be given the Language Arts/ Reading Benchmark followed by the Math Benchmark given on Wednesday, October 27. Testing will begin each day promptly at 9:00 a.m. Thank you for ensuring your child is on time and in attendance for these assessments. For more information on the Forsyth County Benchmark Project, please [click here](#) or [here for Spanish](#).

Please check your child's conduct card and agenda daily!

Make your child's **YEARBOOK WISHES** come true! To place an order go to www.YearbookOrderCenter.com or call **1-866-287-3096**. Find a hotlink to the order site on the Otwell home page.

Order your books BEFORE DEC. 1 to avoid the price increase.

Oct. 10 – Nov. 30

Yearbook **\$45**

Yearbook with namestamp **\$50**

Dec. 1 – Jan. 14

Yearbook **\$50**

Yearbook with namestamp **\$55**

From the Media Center:

- Our **Barnes & Noble book fair** will be held Thurs., Oct. 28th. During the evening, we will hold our 3rd annual 8th grade Poetry slam beginning at 6pm. In addition, local author Janice Hardy will be there doing a book signing. She was at our school this past week talking to students about her newest book in her *Healing Wars trilogy* called "Blue Fire". [Click here](#) for a pre-order form for anyone wanting to purchase either the first book in the series or the newly released second book in the series. Students can have her to sign their book at the Barnes & Noble book fair or send it with Ms. Perkins to have signed for them. **Please return order forms with payment to the media center by Wednesday the 27th. Checks should be made payable to Barnes & Noble.**
- Pre-order forms for cheesecakes and cookies to be purchased at the fair can be found [here](#). Please return pre-order forms to the media center by Wednesday also.
- **Please note** that if you cannot attend the fair, you can still make purchases online (www.bn.com/bookfairs) through November 1st and they will count towards our

fair! Use the number on the voucher (10318913) when checking out online.
Proceeds benefit the OMS media center.

- **Fri., Oct. 29th** – HAT Day (Kids can wear their Halloween Hats!)

HELP WANTED! I am in need of volunteers to help run our upcoming book fair. **Due to conflicts, the book fair date has changed.** The book fair preview will be held on Dec. 2nd and 3rd and the fair will run from Dec. 6th-10th. If you are interested in helping or able to volunteer a little time, please contact me at 770-887-5248 ext. 790155 or lperkins@forsyth.k12.ga.us.

Language Arts: Ms. Hayden, Mrs. Truelove-

Mrs. Richardson- Please see Angel for daily assignment and class updates.

Math: Mr. Collins, Ms. Jones-

We will continue our work with fractions,

Help is available! Have your child see his/her teacher to set up an appointment. Ms. Jones has a help session every Tuesday afternoon from 4:15-5:15. Please pick your child up outside the 6th grade hall (first door as you are going toward the teacher parking lot). Other times can be arranged as needed.

If you have not seen the textbook, you really need to have a look <http://my.hrw.com> . The entire book is available online, and there are extra resources available, including video tutorials that you can use if your child is struggling with a particular topic

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Science: Mr. Sagona- In science class during the weeks of 10/25 and 11/1, We will continue our study of meteorology. A test on weather and climate will be administered on Thursday, 11/18, so please have your child review their notes beginning with Aim #10 for this test. A study guide will be distributed on Friday, 11/12.

Please make sure that your child reviews their notes for a few minutes on a daily basis. Research has shown that students who revise / review their notes for 5 minutes per night have about an 80% recall when they begin to study, while those who do not have only a 20% recall!

Help is available every morning except for Tuesdays. Please have your child see me for a pass.

The **online textbook** is available. The website is www.phschool.com. The username and password are both oms6sci. If this user name and password does not work, try oms6sci2, oms6sci3, oms6sci4, or oms6sci5.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Box Tops provide easy ways to earn cash for the Science Department here at OMS.

The **Box Tops for Education Clip Program** allows you to earn cash for our school every time you buy groceries. The program has three easy steps....

1. Clip Box Tops coupons from participating products.
2. Send your Box Tops coupons to me
3. Our school gets a check.

My classes have collected 990 so far this year. Thanks for your support.

CELL PHONE AND INK JET CARTRIDGE RECYCLING

The Science Department will be collecting your old cell phones and used ink jet cartridges this year. Please send either of these items to me, so that they may be recycled, and earn additional funds for our school. In addition to the cell phones and ink jets, we can collect any old laptops, mp3 players, digital cameras, digital video cameras, handheld game systems, GPS devices, radar detectors, and E- book readers you may want to recycle.

Mr. Headrick-

Social Studies: Ms. Boling, Mr. Miller- Next week we will begin our project over Economy. We will create a book over the basic economic systems. We will also begin looking at the history of Europe, starting with Exploration in Europe.

Reading: Ms. Boling, Ms. Jones, Mrs. Rupured-

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