

OASIS ORACLE

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Scripture of the Month

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jer. 29:11 ESV

Teacher of the Month



Our Teacher of the Month for March was Samantha Wilson.

Congratulations; we appreciate your hard work and effort!

Staff of the Quarter



Our Staff of the Quarter for 3rd quarter was Amity McGee.

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Head of School, Jenny Barton

I cannot believe that March is over and we only have 34 days of school left and we are in Passion week. A year ago we were all in quarantine and not able to attend Easter services in person. What a year it has been! However, it has not been all bad. We have all learned to do things a little bit differently, if not more efficiently in some cases. Even so, I think we all long for what we knew as “normal”. Things may never go back to the way they were but it appears we are beginning to return to a semblance of “normal”. During Passion Week 2021, take some time to reflect on what you have done for Jesus this year as we remember what He has done for us. I think we all long to do more for Jesus. Matthew 25:40 says, “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me”. Let’s look for ways to be Jesus to “the least of these” in our community. Take some items to a homeless shelter, volunteer to help someone in need, or get involved in our PAWS Easter food drive. Do something for Jesus this week and look for ways to be Jesus to the spiritually thirsty in our community.



Early Education, Teresa Wilson

March has been a super busy month in our preschool. Our theme for the month of March has been Spring, and we have enjoyed learning about plants as well as different animal life cycles. The kids have learned about the life cycle of butterflies firsthand by raising caterpillars. They were able to watch the metamorphosis a caterpillar goes through to become a butterfly with twenty-five caterpillars. We will release our twenty-five butterflies this week. Spring is a great time to learn about new life as we look forward to Easter and think about the new life Jesus has offered us through His death, burial, and resurrection.

Athletics, Chad Moore

Our OCA baseball team has had a fantastic start to their season going 5-4-1 in their first 10 games. Brennan McNutt hit the first home run in school history against Discovery! Our first home game will be on March 30th against First Academy of Leesburg at the Lake Myrtle Baseball Park!

Track and Field have been off to a great start! Micheal Rodriguez has broken our 100m dash record! Aidan Madrigal has multiple Shot Put and Discus events season and he is looking to close in on the school record for Shot Put!

Middle School soccer season has begun. The soccer team had a hard-fought battle at home and lost in the final minutes to Ruskin Christian in their first game.

Oasis Reintegration and Building Update:

As you know, we will be reintegrating our high school back into our main campus at King Road next school year. By purchasing the property at King Road in December, we are now able to expand the campus by erecting another building which will allow K-12th to fit effectively and efficiently back on our main campus. The 2021-2022 school year will be a bit of an adjustment as we reintegrate 9th-12th back into our existing building and enter into our building project of a 10 classroom building on our back field. Our school board has selected our builder, Williams Construction of Winter Haven. We are currently deciding between three banks for our construction loan and we have our pre-app meeting with Polk County this Thursday, April 1st. God is doing great things at OCA and we are looking forward to the impact this new building will have on our students, families, faculty and staff. Please continue to join us in prayer as we seek God's will for Oasis Christian Academy. If you have not yet re-enrolled, please do so as soon as possible. We have had to limit the number of classes per grade in order to fit high school back into the King Road campus. Many of our classes are already at capacity for next year and we have begun waiting lists. I began calling families who had not re-enrolled before Spring Break and hope to finish those calls this week. Should you have any questions regarding re-enrollment or the reintegration plan, please do not hesitate to email, call or catch me in car line. I will be happy to discuss any questions you may have. Thank you for being a part of the OCA family! OCA would not exist without our families and we desire to partner with you in the spiritual, academic, physical and emotional development of your precious children. I thank God for OCA and all of you daily and would ask that you pray daily for the leadership, faculty, staff, families and students of Oasis and specifically our building campaign as we seek to build exactly what God would have planned for OCA!

Happy Easter Everyone!

In Christ,
Jenny Barton



Important Dates

- Apr 2-5: NO SCHOOL (Easter Weekend)
- Apr 6-9: HS Spirit Week
- Apr 9- Progress Reports Emailed (K5-12th)
- Apr 10- King Rd Clean-up (9:00am)
- Apr 10- All Hands Helping (9:00am)
- Apr 10- Prom @ FFA Center (7:00pm)
- Apr 13- 11th Grade ACT Testing @ HS Campus
- Apr 13- PAWS Virtual Meetings
 - 7:45am- meet.google.com/eoy-rrbg-ogo
 - 6:30pm- meet.google.com/bgu-pdvo-sek
- Apr 21- Admin Professionals Day
- Apr 22- High School Drama Production @ HS Campus
- Apr 23- 1st Grade Field Trip (Bok Tower)
- Apr 27- Elementary Sports Chapel (8:45am)
- Apr 27-High School Class Meetings @ HS Campus (6:30pm)
- Apr 27- Spring Guidance Meeting @ HS Campus (6:30pm)
- Apr 28- Senior Exams
- Apr 29- Senior Exams
- Apr 29- Middle School Sports Chapel (9:30am)
- Apr 29- High School Sports Chapel (12:45pm)
- Apr 30- Progress Reports Emailed
- Apr 30- 6th, 7th, 8th Grade-Spiritual Retreat
- **Check out all of our athletic games & events for basketball, baseball, and MS soccer at ocalions.org/calendar**

Elem/MS Dean of Students, Tawn Jones

A year ago our lives were turned upside down by a virus that no one really understood. Even still today there are so many unanswered questions about Covid-19 and its long-term effects. Though we have the vaccines available to us now, there are so many unanswered questions about them as well. As we have gone through this difficult year, I have been reminded over and over again that God is with us. He is not surprised by a virus that caught us off guard, nor is He unaware of the heartache and worry we have been experiencing. He stands beside us, fights for us, and loves us with a love like none other.

A new favorite song of mine is called "Another in the Fire" by Hillsong - some of the words are below, this reminds me that I am NEVER alone in anything that I face. God is with me. God is with you.

"There was another in the fire
 Standing next to me
 There was another in the waters
 Holding back the seas
 And should I ever need reminding
 Of how I've been set free
 There is a cross that bears the burden
 Where another died for me"

Please know that we, as faculty and administrators pray for you and your families often. We count it a privilege to work with you in educating your child.

Blessings,
 Tawn Jones

HS Principal, Teresa Paton

Hello from the high school. We are excited to move into the fourth quarter... that means summer is near! We've started getting ready for the big move to King Road and have already sent a few boxes over on the bus. Many of the things we have will be used until the final days of school, but we are paring down as much as we can. Kudos to our drama class and Mrs. Mascioli. They are working hard on the spring performance and it is shaping up quite nicely. We all agree, spring break was great! A little too short... but that is what summer is for.

As Easter approaches, we are reminded of the sacrifice Jesus made for each of us. How incredible it is to be able to share the story with those who don't know and to rejoice with those who do. I've challenged our students to find someone to share the gospel with during this season. Happy Easter from the high school!

-Dr. Paton