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From the Head of School

If you are like me, it can be easy to focus on the uncertainty and even unrest that we see all around us. Something in our sin nature tends to cause us to focus on the immediate. However, time has a way

of smoothing out the peaks and valleys. Warren Buffet recently noted that, “You know, people talk about this being an uncertain time. You know, all time is uncertain. I mean, it was uncertain back in 2007, we just didn't know it was uncertain. It was uncertain on September 10th, 2001. It was uncertain on October 18th, 1987, you just didn't know it.”

Oftentimes, our desire to plan is really a desire to control. However, God in His grace and mercy, grants us perspective. In James 3, we are reminded “¹³Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” ¹⁴Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. ¹⁵Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” ¹⁶ As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil.”

As we head into the last quarter of 2020, my prayer is that we would all be reminded of our eternal calling.

Soli Deo Gloria

Mark Bates

OCS Waiver Update

Our waiver application is still listed as “Received” by the county. Therefore, we will not return to in-person instruction next Thursday (Sep 10) as we had hoped. Instead, we will



continue with the distance learning schedule and small cohorts that we are currently using. In simpler terms...no change next week – keep doing what you have been doing. As an encouragement, schools in other counties have had their waivers approved and returned to in-person instruction, so I am confident our efforts are not futile.

Chapel Schedule



One of the core tenets of Oroville Christian School is our unwavering commitment to worship God. Central to this is our chapel services. With the current school format, we are unable to meet corporately as we have in the past. Thinking creatively, we have come up with ways we can still engage as a school community and honor our Lord. Our first chapel service will be next Friday, September 11 at 9 am.

The theme of the chapel will be Our Role as Citizens. You are welcome and encouraged to “join” us, either virtually through our Facebook page or on campus in your cars.

The dates of our future chapels are:

October 9 Prayer & Praise

November 13 Thanksgiving & Veterans

December 11 Christmas

PTPF Events

The Parent Teacher Prayer Fellowship (PTPF) is a group of parents who support the school through prayer and service. There is no application to join...in fact, if you are a current parent of an OCS student, you are already a member! The group meets monthly and would love to have more involvement from parents. Currently, PTPF is involved with coordinating thank yous to our first responders, recognizing staff and student birthdays, and running a school trivia contest.



Once a month, PTPF will create a fun challenge for all students to participate in. Incentives could be prizes, gift cards, or treats. Students will submit their creation or answer (online) to PTPF to be judged. More information will be forthcoming on the school's Facebook page and winners will be selected at the end of the month. September's contest is a Lego Challenge. Without using any instructions or following a kit, a student must use their creativeness to make an animal or character reflective of one of their Bible lessons. Due date is September 30 and the winner(s) will be revealed on Friday, October 2.

For more information on joining or getting involved in PTPF, contact one of the officers. The officers for the 2020-2021 school year are:

Julie Ching President

Becky Wagenaar Vice-President

Kristen McKillop Secretary

Nicole Johansson Treasurer

Vicky Caporale Officer At-Large

Audrea Ellis Officer At-Large

And from far away the Lord appeared to his people and said, “I love you people with a love that will last forever. That is why I have continued showing you kindness. Jeremiah 31:3

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