

August 10, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians of Incoming 6th Grade Students,

The school is looking very good as we near the end of our summer maintenance schedule. I am very pleased with the work of the custodial crew and I am sure the teachers and students will be when they arrive in a few weeks.

LAST 6th Grade ONLY Email

This will be the last email I send directly to you. On Monday, August 13 our computer database will roll over to the new school year and I will be able to send emails to all grade 6-8 parents at the same time.

PowerSchool Parent Portal Opening Up August 17, 2018

The PowerSchool portal will open up to parents next Friday (August 17) and you will be able to view your child's schedule. If you find you have a question about your child's schedule you can certainly email or call me. Most often I will refer the issue to Mrs. Lebetkin (the school guidance counselor) so please also feel free to contact her with any schedule questions. Mrs. Lebetkin's email is lebetkina@oxfordpublicschools.org

First Day of School – August 29, 2018

On the first day of school all 6th grade students report directly to the gym upon entering the building in the morning. Staff will be outside and in the halls to direct 6th graders to the gym. I will welcome the new 6th graders to the school and introduce all of the related school staff (Mrs. Morelli – Assistant Principal, Ms. Lebetkin – School Counselor, Mrs. Blake – School Nurse, Mrs. Brickel – School Psychologist, Mrs. Dickens – School Social Worker, and Mr. Guidone – Athletic Director). Each will speak about their role at the school.

I will go over information about school rules and how the school operates. The students' Period A teachers will then take them to their classrooms where they will be given locker assignments, first day paperwork, and other first day materials.

We believe this is an excellent way for students to start their time at GOMS. Students do not have to worry about finding a classroom right at the get go and they are welcomed by staff that will be helping them over the next three years.

WEB 6th Grade Orientation (August 23 - 10:00am - 1:00pm)

As a follow-up to the email I sent from Mrs. Lebetkin on August 2 – an 8th grade mentor will be contacting your child a week before the August 23 orientation day. That mentor will let us know who is coming and who cannot attend. The partnership of the 6th grade student and 8th grade mentor will last throughout the year so even if your child cannot attend on August 23 the connection with his/her mentor will at least be established with that call.

Communications

I will be sending out GOMS eNews emails every Friday during the school year with important information. Please take a moment to review these as they are sent out.

I post all of my emails to parents on the GOMS website

<http://goms.oxfordpublicschools.org/>

Please make sure you scroll down the page to where it says “News and Announcements”.

Enjoy your weekend!

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