



ORANGEBURG PREPARATORY SCHOOLS, INC.

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Winter 2017



Thirty-three new members were inducted in the National Honor Society on November 9, 2017. Congratulations to these students on receiving this accomplishment. Mrs. Lynn Garrick is the sponsor.

NEW INDUCTEES: Grant Wesley Axson, Rebecca Axson, Kennerly Ann Bair, Peyton Jane Bair, Guy Watkins Best, Jr., Mason Walter Boney, William Mellard Connor VI, Madison Nicole Garrick, Joshua C. Hutto, Keri Elizabeth Kibodeaux, Laura Olivia King, Parker Alexander Kuck, Caroline Banks McConnell, Taylor Alexis Merritt, Jady Victoria Murphy, John Ellis Pascoe, Nicholas Carrigg Pascoe, Shivani R. Patel, Shriyam Patel, John Martin Perry Reed, Laura Megan Respass, Courtney Nicole Rich, Marlee Rae Robinson, Ian Scott, Thomas Hunter Shafer, Madison Victoria Sharpe, Victoria Elizabeth Smith, Dallas Hayes Stoller, Mary Stack Summers, Jillee Anna Walter, James Brandon Weeks, Amber Victoria White, and Claire Daly Williamson.

Members: Gabrielle Axson, Lexi Crider, William Garner, David Geddings, Katie Holley, Emily Irick, Bill Metts, William Mills, Sam O'Cain, Hardi Parmar, Shrey Patel, and Jackson Smith.

Membership in the National Honor Society is by invitation only and is open to juniors and seniors with a 4.0 or higher GPA who also meet the requirements of character, leadership, and service. The chapter is very active in school and community activities such as adopting families referred from our local hospice for Thanksgiving and Christmas, offering free face painting at all home football games, and entertaining our three-year-old day care children with an Easter Egg hunt complete with the Easter Bunny. All funds raised are given back to the school or to various local charities.

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Inductees

Congratulations to the following students who were inducted into the National Junior Honor Society on November, 9, 2017: Noland Ray Boney, Paige Ashlyn Bordenkecher, Connor Alexander Brandon, Alyssa Danielle Bukszar, Bailey R.E.A.D. Craven, Gavin J. Drake, Cate Ruby Fogle, Emma Grace Fogle, Elaine Crossland Grubbs, Patricia Ryn Grubbs, Kelcey Abigail Lake, Harry McCullough Mims IV, Yogi H. Parmar, Nidhi B. Patel, Anna Brake Plummer, Lara Elizabeth Pugh, Preston Manning Ray, Delaney Kaye Ridley, Lydia Grace Riley, Seth O'Ryan Gage Robinson, Harper Elizabeth Sanders, Sarah Morgan Tant, Blakely Valentine, Thomas Martin Waystack, Ayden Davis Westbury, Cade Anderson Wiles, Elizabeth Williams, and Taylor Ashlyn Williamson.

Current Members

Sidney Margaret Adicks, Logan Elizabeth Anderson, Stephan Brison Ardis, Samuel C. Brenn, Brady Ashton Crider, Zachary Ryan Felkel, David Elliott Fogle, Kenneth Leroy Fogle III, Daniel Tanner Garrick, Edward Hammond Gladd, James Marion Hiers IV, Joanna Catherine Hinds, Peyton Carl Inabinet, Benjamin Rucker Journey, Amelia Kentlee Kneece, Emily Nicole Kruger, Gabrielle Marigold McCoskey, Matthew Clinton Murdaugh, Evelyn Lou Myers, James Thomas Robertson III, Nicholas Aaron Shafer, Garret T. Shelton, Ashlyn Grace Smith, Graham Thomas Smith, Olivia Belle Strickland, Abigail Lee Thackston, Noah Christopher Thoma, William Alexander Tolbert, Jr., Landon Alexander Toole, Madison Lee Weeks, and Catherine E. Williams.

**National
Junior
Honor
Society**



Membership in the National Junior Honor Society is by invitation only and is open to eighth and ninth graders who have earned a 93 cumulative average or a 4.0 GPA beginning with their sixth grade year. These students must also meet the requirements of character, leadership, service, and citizenship. Our chapter is active in service. We will have one group service project during the school year. Our members are required to earn a certain number of service hours each year (5 minimum) and can do so in the community or within our school. The National Junior Honor Society advisor is Mrs. Barbara Askins.

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Plug in with Powell

It is very obvious our main objective is to provide the safest and most productive education for everyone!



OPS Family:

I would like to express how **THANKFUL** I am to the entire Orangeburg Preparatory Schools' family and community for your tremendous welcome you have given to me and my family as we settle into both Orangeburg and Orangeburg Preparatory Schools. Our experience has been unparalleled, and we cannot thank everyone enough during this transition.

I am extremely blessed to have the honor to lead such an incredible institution as Orangeburg Preparatory Schools; most importantly, I am even more thankful that my own children have the opportunity to experience this outstanding learning culture. With a community filled with tradition, committed to both academic and athletic excellence, and an unwavering dedication to students' success, Orangeburg Preparatory Schools is second to none!

Over the course of the past few months, the Orangeburg Prep Administrative Team has been charged with reviewing all facets of Orangeburg Preparatory Schools. We are in the process of continuing all rich traditions established, but we are also working towards continuing the development of a community of life-long learners. This commitment to excellence is displayed daily and can be found both inside and outside of the classroom.

Furthermore, for the Fall 2017 Semester, Orangeburg Preparatory students have participated in a myriad of extracurricular activities both academically and athletically. Our students have participated across South Carolina with other SCISA member schools in nine academic activities. This participation was highlighted by our student government officers when they attended and participated in the Fall 2017 SCISSA Student Government meeting held annually at the South Carolina State House in Columbia in September.

The fall athletic schedule has concluded with 12 sports teams fielded. Both the varsity volleyball and cross-country teams advanced to the SCISA AAA State Playoffs. Also, I would like to extend my congratulations to the Little Indian 10U football team for winning the District Championship against Williston-Elko! Additionally, I would like to thank both the faculty and coaches for their tireless efforts and tremendous dedication.

The Orangeburg Preparatory Schools' Class of 2018 is setting precedence for the student body by finalizing college applications; many are already receiving college acceptances and scholarship offers. It is most impressive that this 45 member Class of 2018 has already submitted well over 150 college applications. We are extremely excited for each of our seniors and could not be prouder of their efforts. Please note that our first Orangeburg Prep Academic Signing will be held in April, 2018. The date will be released at the beginning of the second semester in January.

The atmosphere, enthusiasm, and collegiality on both campuses are tremendous! The Orangeburg Preparatory Schools' faculty and staff have set and continue to maintain a culture of outstanding learning. It is very obvious that our main objective is to provide the safest and most productive education for everyone!

I hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday, and thank you again to everyone for allowing my family to become members of the Orangeburg Preparatory Schools' family!

GO INDIANS!



M. Evan Powell
Head of Schools

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Let's Take A Christmas Trip Through South Carolina!

Some families have more than one student, and exceptions also have to be made to this schedule. Our goal is for all families to be comfortable during this performance. Due to limited seating, we encourage the following schedule:

Parents of CDC, K3, K4, K5,
and 1st grade students

Thursday
December 14th
8:30 A.M.

Parents of 2nd grade, 3rd Grade,
4th Grade, and 5th Grade stu-
dents

Friday
December 15th
8:30 A.M.

December 14th

8:30 A.M.

Lower Campus Gym

Christmas parties for the CDC classes will be December 21st.
Santa will be coming to visit!



Orangeburg Prep's HOLIDAY REVUE

UPPER CAMPUS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: This year's Christmas Program will be held on Wednesday, December 6th, in the Upper Campus Gym. The revue will include the 6th and 7th grade students, the OPS Band, a percussion ensemble, and a choral ensemble comprised of high school students and teachers. The program should begin about 8:15 AM. The program will be over by 8:50 at the very latest. Attire for the program: Students do not have a particular dress code, but festive colors would be nice for a holiday program. If a student already has an outfit, or clothes that include red, green, blue, or gold that would be perfect. If not, please do not go out and buy anything, unless that was already on your list. As long as the students stay within the "field trip/school assembly" code of "no jeans, no flip flops or tennis shoes," we will be good to go. Young men should have their shirts tucked in, and young ladies should be mindful of the length of their skirts or dresses, if that is what they have chosen to wear that day. Thank you for all of your support! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Sherri Sullivan at ssullivan@orangeburgprep.com.



First Semester Exams

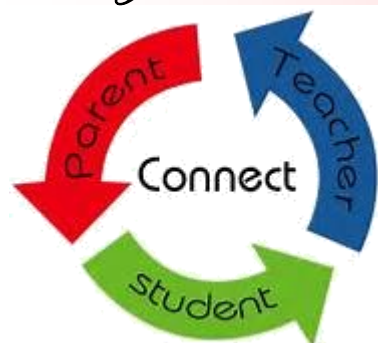
FIRST SEMESTER EXAM DATES

Friday, December 8	REVIEW DAY
Monday, December 11	REVIEW DAY
Tuesday, December 12	First Period exams (8-9:30 AM) Second Period exams (10-11:30 AM)
Wednesday, December 13	Third Period exams (8-9:30 AM) Fourth period exams (10-11:30 AM)
Thursday, December 14	Fifth period exams (8-9:30 AM) Sixth period exams (10-11:30 AM)
Friday, December 15	Seventh period exams (8-9:30 AM) Make-up exams (10-11:30 AM)

11:30 dismissal for both campuses December 12th-December 15th

Information for Parents and Students:

- Students do not report to homeroom. They should report directly to their exam period.
- Students may exempt the first semester under the following conditions:
 - A. Seniors—(1) with at least a 90 average in year-long classes and in compliance with the OPS policies, (2) with an 85 average in an Honors course and in compliance with the OPS policies, or (3) with an 80 average in an AP course and in compliance with the OPS policies or (4) attend the minimally required sessions of the senior seminar.
 - B. Students (6th-11th) may not exempt the first semester exam unless the course is a semester course.
 - C. Students taking a semester course may exempt the first semester exam with an average of a 90 (seniors with an 87) and in compliance with OPS policies.
- Students in grades 6th-11th must stay for the entire exam period. *Only seniors may leave after exam completion.*
- Students need only to be here based on time period of testing. Sixth graders (3rd period) and seventh graders (4th period) do not have to report for their rotation classes. Eighth graders do not have to report for their physical education class. If these students report to school, they must report to the library during their rotation or physical education class periods.
- Students having two exams on the same day may *not* leave the campus between exams.
- Students having to arrive at school for one test only (8-9:30 A.M.) but having to stay afterwards will go to the library for supervision (Mrs. Garrick.)
- Students having personal vehicles can arrive and depart based on the time period of testing. Once students leave the campus, they may not return unless they have to pick up other students for a ride home.
- Students who have an exam at 8:00 A.M. but do not have an exam at 10:00 A.M. may leave school at the end of the exam so that they may go home and study. If they have to wait for a ride, they must go to the library. No one should be in the halls or outside the buildings.
- Students who do not have an exam at 8:00 A.M. but have an exam at 10:00 A.M. do not have to arrive at school until 9:50 A.M. for their 10:00 A.M. exam. If a student arrives for a second exam before 9:30 A.M., he/she must report to the library.
- Students who have no exams on a given day do not have to report to school.
- All rules, **including the dress code**, will be in effect during exam days. *A Level-1 detention will be issued for non-compliance!*



Your ATP

IMPORTANT DATES FROM YOUR ATP!

Friday, March 2, 2018	BBQ Fundraiser
Friday, March 23, 2018	Father / Daughter Dance
TBA (Late Spring)	Consignment Sale



2017-2018 season basketball tickets are available to purchase at the Upper Campus Business Office and at

all home games. Tickets are \$30 for adults. OPS students are admitted free with OPS Student IDs.

The Child Development Center will be closed for the Christmas holidays on December 22, 25, 26, and New Year's closing is January 1st.



Deputy Jamie Kennerly

OPS welcomes our permanent, full-time Resource Officer, Jamie Kennerly. We are thrilled to have him on board!



Check out our Senior Bulletins page at orangeburgprep.com!

December 5

Second deposit for Senior Class Trip: **\$100**

January TBA

1:00 P.M. Senior graduation accessory order (*all graduates must have a cap and gown*)

February TBA

Final senior class trip payment (*Amount TBD*)

March 5-10

Senior Class Trip



The Freshman Class enjoyed a day of team building on their class field trip to Camp Bob Cooper in Summerton on November 17th. The class members were divided into groups and carried out various challenges that tested their abilities to lead and cooperate.

Above: students had to trust a fellow classmate to lead them through the woods while their eyes were closed.

Students pictured left are encouraging one another as they walk across low ropes.

The trip was a great opportunity for students to get outside their comfort zones and forge new friendships. Mrs. Martin is the grade level sponsor.



FCS and FCA were surprised by a Christian Band on Thursday, October 19th. Dr. Shane Stutzman, pastor at Northside Baptist Church, escorted Broken Vessels to the lunch meetings. Broken Vessels has been together for 18 years, and its members include all six children. After playing in Orangeburg, Broken Vessels headed to Atlanta, then Missouri. Broken Vessels blessed FCS and FCA with their amazing music and testimony.



Young Men Grades 9th-12th Participated in



The National Honor Society participated in a community service project to provide grocery gift cards to three needy Hospice patients. To raise the funds, young men in grades 9th-12th participated in "No Shave November." These students paid \$20 to participate by not shaving for the month of November. An ID was provided for each participant and was to be kept with them at all times during the school day. Failure to provide the ID resulted in having to shave. The young man with the most facial hair coverage and neatest beard on December 1st was the winner. This student was allowed to keep his beard until January 2, 2018, and also was refunded his \$20. All of the young men had grown neat beards, but it came down to the one with the most facial hair coverage. This year's winner is Thomas Brandon. Peyton McDougal came in as a very close second. A special thank you to Mrs. Sherry Rutland and Mrs. Paula Edwards for judging this contest. It wasn't easy!

Pictured above with our Head of School, Mr. Powell, left to right are Andrew Brickle, Peyton McDougal, Thomas Brandon, and Hunter Shafer.

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The AP Biology students conducted a student-designed cellular respiration lab. They measured oxygen consumption rates in germinating peas using respirometers they built in a pre-lab session. Pictured above left to right: Lexi Crider, Shrey Patel, Gabrielle Axson, Emily Irick, Bill Metts, Hardi Parmar, Shriyam Patel, and Taylor Merritt. Instructor is Mrs. Libby Ray.



Orangeburg Prep Chess Team

OPS participated in the 2017 High School Tournament sponsored by SCISA. Four participants traveled to the Sumter Civic Center on November 14th. Pictured left is Nhi Ngo, Thomas Williams, Carter Chandler, and Shrey Patel. OPS finished 10th out of 20 teams. Carter ranked 14th and Shrey ranked 19th out of 144 players. Coach Al Hay is the sponsor.

Congratulations OPS Chess Team!

Middle School Team:



Battle of the Books



Orangeburg Prep Middle School students participated in the SCISA Battle of the Books, a reading incentive program in which Lower and Middle school students read books and answer related questions in a game show type format, on November 7, 2017. They worked hard preparing for this event by attending weekly meetings during their lunch time and reading and studying twenty books from a preselected list. We are very proud of our Indians for taking on this challenge. Mrs. Jill Hinds is the sponsor.

Pictured left to right are Becky Zheng, Ramsey Albergotti, Lara Pugh, Paige Bordenkecher, Lane Inabinet, and Nidhi Patel.

Lower School Team:



The Lower School Battle of the Books team is in the left picture (left to right).

Front: Yusef Sheta
Brooke Fogle
Diana Svicarovich
Maddie Till
Morgan Newsome
Sherri Lyn Shannon
Madison Damron
Seth Bragg
Back: John Inabinet
Charlie McCutchen
Elizabeth Allen Brailsford
Jenna Blume
Payton Bordenkecher
Grayson Valentine
Grey Sanders

Battle of the Books students read twenty chapter books, learned the title and author of each, and practiced many weeks. We came in third at the meet. Mrs. Donna Helms is the sponsor.

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SCISA High School Quiz Bowl



On October 10th, OPS hosted Holly Hill Academy, Calhoun Academy, and Augusta Christian for the SCISA Regional High School Academic Quiz Bowl. We were delighted to see everyone at the competition, especially Calhoun, because it was their first Quiz Bowl competition. Questions were asked, answers (both correct and incorrect) were given, and by the time the final round began, OPS and Augusta Christian were both undefeated. The winner of that round would become the overall victor. While the two teams valiantly contested that last match, it was Augusta Christian that eventually emerged as the winner and go on to the state championships. All present agreed that it was one of the most enjoyable and intense competitions they had the pleasure of participating in. Pictured above are left to right: (front row) Jadyn Murphy, Kaitlyn Robinson. (Back row) Dr. Van Gunten, Shrey Patel, Hunter Shafer, Bill Metts, and Carter Chandler.



On Thursday October 26, 2017, the Middle School Math Team traveled to the Sumter Civic Center in Sumter, SC to compete in the 2017 SCISA Middle School Math Meet. Our teams competed with Independent Schools from across the State. The Orangeburg Prep Middle School team consisted of five eighth graders: Conner Brandon, Kelcey Lake, Yogi Parmar, Nidhi Patel, and Elizabeth Williams. The members of our seventh grade team were John Wren Best, Hallie Fanning, Paige Hewitt, Lane Inabinet, and James Williams. The High Point scorer for each team was recognized in a ceremony after the competition. The Eighth Grade High Point winner was Conner Brandon, and the Seventh Grade High Point winner was Lane Inabinet. After the teams were formed in August, they met several times to practice. The students did a great job of representing Orangeburg Prep at the meet. We are so proud of these students. The seventh grade team is looking forward to next year's event. Mrs. Kelley Wannamaker is our Middle School math team sponsor. Congratulations on a job well done!



Carter Chandler



Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership

The State Leadership Seminar is designed to empower high school sophomores to recognize their leadership talents and apply them to become effective, ethical leaders in their home, school, and community. Orangeburg Prep selected Carter Chandler and Emilee Claire Fanning (alternate) to attend a three day seminar in June 2018 to participate in hands-on leadership activities, meet leaders in the state, and explore leadership skills while learning how to lead others and make a positive impact in the community.



Alternate
Emilee Claire Fanning



Characters of the Canterbury Tales

Satire in Chaucer's "Prologue" to
The Canterbury Tales

Mrs. Boland's Honors English III class is studying *The Canterbury Tales*. Each student in the class selected a pilgrim from the tales to present to the class. The students dressed in costume as a representation of their pilgrim and taught the class about their character from the Middle Ages. Pictured are Amber White, Jillee Walter, and Jadyn Murphy.

Catch-A-Kid

Amir Tyler (September,) Anna Beth Lambrecht (October), and Nic Rivas (November) have been nominated by their teachers for the eighth grade Catch-a-Kid program by the Orangeburg County Chamber of Commerce. The program seeks out eighth grade students who are "caught" displaying honorable character traits such as being encouraging to others and upholding a strong work ethic. We are very proud of them.



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Patriots Pen winners are Paige Bordenkecher, Laine Grubbs, Alyssa Bukszar, Nic Rivas, and Gavin Drake.



Voice of Democracy winners are Josh Palmer, Maurice Wright, and Dylan Snelgrove.

Each year 8th grade students participate in the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest, and United States History Students participate in Voice of Democracy Speech Contest sponsored by the VFW. This year we had five school winners for Patriot's Pen who all tied for FIRST place in the school competition, and we had three winners in the Voice of Democracy Speech Contest.



On November 2nd, twelve Student Council and NHS members, along with Sponsor Lynn Garrick, visited First Baptist School of Charleston. This visit was part of the SCISA Student Exchange Program. These students spent the day visiting with their student leaders and observing classes. At lunch, we had a discussion time and exchange of ideas. First Baptist will visit us during the second semester. We would like to thank Coach Hay for driving us. Pictured above left to right (front row): Logan Teague, Banks McConnell, Tori Smith, Shrey Patel, John Pascoe, and Peyton Inabinet. Second row: Noland Boney, Bill Metts, Nicole Workman, Davin Johnson, Mason Boney, and Carter Chandler.

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Halloween.



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HALLOWEEN

2017





The Lower Campus celebrated Veteran's Day with a special program on Friday, November 10. Maddox Griffith, Eli Waystack from Cub Scout Pack 90, and Sean Green from Boy Scout Troop 45 presented the colors. Local veterans as well as veteran relatives and friends of our Lower Campus students were introduced and escorted to special seating according to their branch of the military. The veterans were also asked to stand and be recognized for their particular branch of service as "The Armed Forces Medley" was played. The following Drama Club students led the program: Payton Bordenkecher, Carson Barry, Elizabeth Allen Brailsford, and Mallory Williamson. These students were under the direction of Mrs. Jean Reid. Senior Chief Gunners Mate Ronnie W. Blevins, father of Averie Grace Blevins, a second grader at OP Lower Campus, was the guest speaker. He taught the students how to stand at attention and salute. However, the most important part of his message was about service and thanking veterans for their service to our country so that we may live in a free world today. The 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades ended the program by singing a student version of "God Bless the USA" and waving small American flags during the last verse of the song. An informal reception for Veterans and their families was held following the program. We all want to say "Thank you, Veterans, for your service to our country!"





Kiwanis

**NOVEMBER & DECEMBER
STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**



Davis Turner



William Rich



Natalia Judge



Bradin Williams



**Holiday Spirit
Jump Start**

John Henry Reynolds, Bowen Turner, Guy Watkins Best, and Braxton Wanamaker waited tables at the Christmas Memories Benefit for the Orangeburg-Calhoun Free Medical Clinic on Tuesday, November 14. Jeanne Gue of the Free Clinic Board said these boys “did a wonderful job waiting tables for the evening and had a good attitude about their service.” The Free Clinic Board is very appreciative of these boys’ help with their successful benefit this year.

**OPS Ninth Grader Snags National Rising Star Award from
American Rose Society**

Fourteen-year old Jace Hiers won the Rising Star Award from the American Rose Society during the National Fall Convention held earlier this year in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Jace is a ninth grade student at Orangeburg Preparatory Schools. OPS is proud of you, Jace! Read more about Jace’s accomplishments on the following link:
http://thetandd.com/news/op-student-snags-national-rising-star-award-from-american-rose/article_0a8499de-d046-50f0-9ef0-1268d5b84954.html





BILL METTS



MATHESON WANNAMAKER



PARKER KUCK

Metts, Wannamaker, and Kuck to Play SCISA North/South All Star Football Game

Senior Running Back Bill Metts, Offensive Lineman Matheson Wannamaker, and Defensive Back Parker Kuck have been selected to play in the 2017 SCISA North/South All Star Football Game. The game will be played on Saturday, December 2nd, at Northwood Academy in Summerville. Participants for the North/South All Star game are selected from the most outstanding senior football players in all three SCISA classifications; AAA, AA, and A. Head Football Coach Andy Palmer states, "This is a tremendous honor for all three of these young men. It is a culmination of many hours of hard work and effort. We are extremely proud that Bill, Matheson, and Parker will be representing Orangeburg Prep and Team 2017." Make plans to travel to Northwood Academy on December 2nd to support these outstanding student athletes. Kickoff time for the game is set for 11:00 A.M.



VOLLEYBALL TEAM



The OP Indians Volleyball team had three North-South All Star representatives at Wilson Hall in Sumter, South Carolina. Dallas Stoller was on the South team, while Amber White and Mary Catherine Williams represented the North team. The North team was victorious in a five-game match, and all three young ladies represented their school well. Congratulations, girls, on an excellent season and a job well done in the All Star game. Pictured left to right are Dallas Stoller, Mary Catherine Williams, and Amber White. Coach Michael Nelson is the varsity volleyball coach.



Athletic Director Jan Stoudenmire would like to thank all who participated and supported the Alumni Basketball game. Seasoned players performed on a newly renovated wood floor in the McAlister Gymnasium. This was quite an entertaining evening! Approximately fifteen alumni women and twenty alumni men participated in this event. Plans are already in the making for another alumni basketball game.

*Tradition Never Graduates
It Only Gets Separated*

**ALUMNI
BASKETBALL
GAME** November
21st

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Lil Indian Football



On Saturday, November 4th, the Little Indians 10U team captured the district championship trophy for the 2017 season. The Indians played a great game against Williston-Elko and brought home the trophy. The Little Indians went into Saturday's game with only one loss. These boys have shown that attitude and effort will take you a long way. A special thanks to:

Head Coach Drew Laird and Assistants Tommy Williams, Brad Weeks, Harry Mims, Jay Gramling, and Kyle Crabb.

Dream job: OP Grad Lands Spot with NBA on TNT With Help of Single Tweet



Paul Trimmier, the son of Orangeburg couple Mark and Sylvia Trimmier, landed a dream job in Atlanta at Turner Sports, where he works as the social media editor. Trimmier said creatively being able to tell a story is one of the keys to success in working across various social media platforms.

The 22-year-old sports enthusiast, a 2013 graduate of Orangeburg Preparatory School, is also a 2017 graduate of Clemson University.

Weddings

Mr. & Mrs. Martin Drew Jernigan



Drew Jernigan, (Class of 2005) was married on November 20, 2017, to Chloe DeSchepper at the Wedding Pavillion in Disney World. The couple is employed by Disney World and resides in Windermere, Florida.

Mr. & Mrs. Troy Griffith



Troy Griffith (Class of 2012) was married to Amber Rose Reynolds on October 21, 2017. Troy is employed by Orangeburg Coca Cola Bottling Company. The couple resides in Orangeburg, S.C.



THEODORE MICHAEL POTTS

Son of
Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Michael Potts
Katherine Ford Potts
Class of 2009
Born November 25, 2017
7 lbs. 3 oz.
20 inches long



DANIEL FISHER GARRICK

Son of
Dan & Amanda Williamson Garrick
Class of 1994
Born November 17, 2017
8 lbs. 2 oz.
21 inches
Born @ TRMC
Amanda is employed as a registered nurse for Davita. The Garricks reside near Cope, S.C.

Fisher was welcomed home by his brothers and sisters: Madison 17, Tanner 15, Ashby 13, Graysen 11, Walker 9, Blakely 7, Bayler 5, (who all attend OPS) and Tucker 3.



CAROLINE AMELIA SANDERS

Daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Sanders
Aubrey Anna Beemer Sanders
(Class of 1999)
Born September 14, 2017
9 lbs. 3 oz.
Born @ TRMC
Welcomed home by Payton (7 years old and 2nd grader @ OPS) and Madison (5 years old). Payton is pictured holding Caroline.



GRAYSON HAYES NETTLES

Son of Patrick and Kandace Collins Nettles
(Class of 2010)
Born November 4, 2017
Born @ TRMC
8 lbs. / 20 inches
Kandace is employed a registered nurse for TRMC Home Health. The Nettles live in Bamberg, South Carolina.

**REESE
COVINGTON
CULLER**

Daughter of
Bax & Lydia Culler
(Class of 2003)
Born October 24, 2017
6 lb. 10 oz.
19 ¼ inches long
Born @ TRMC
The Cullers reside in Walterboro, S.C.





OPS Day of Prayer

Orangeburg Prep held the first "OP Day of Prayer" on Wednesday, November 1st, at 7:25 AM. Parents, grandparents, teachers and students were invited to attend. Dr. Shane Stutzman from Northside Baptist Church gave the message, and William Garner, President of FCA, led the group in prayer. Jacey Wagers from St. George entertained with music and song. Northside Church and FCS officers donated doughnuts and juice for all to enjoy. It was a beautiful morning to share in God's glory and praise. This event was sponsored by Fellowship of Christian Students. (Mrs. Terry Sue Moore and Mrs. Stefanie O'Cain are club sponsors.)

Congratulations to Mrs. Askins, Mrs. Braxton/Mrs. Worrell, Ms. Creech, Mrs. Funderburk, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Whittle, and Mrs. Phillips for each receiving a \$500 grant from a local donor. The \$500 will be used to purchase grade level appropriate books and classroom resources that correspond with state standards. This grant will support OPS in efforts to prepare 21st Century Learners.



GRATITUDE — November Character Trait



**Josh Palmer
Mr. Hutto**



**Luke Davis
Mrs. Dempsey**



GENEROSITY — December Character Trait



**Mrs. Powell
Sarah Beth Fogle**



**Coach Nelson
Caden Bramblett**



COMING SOON

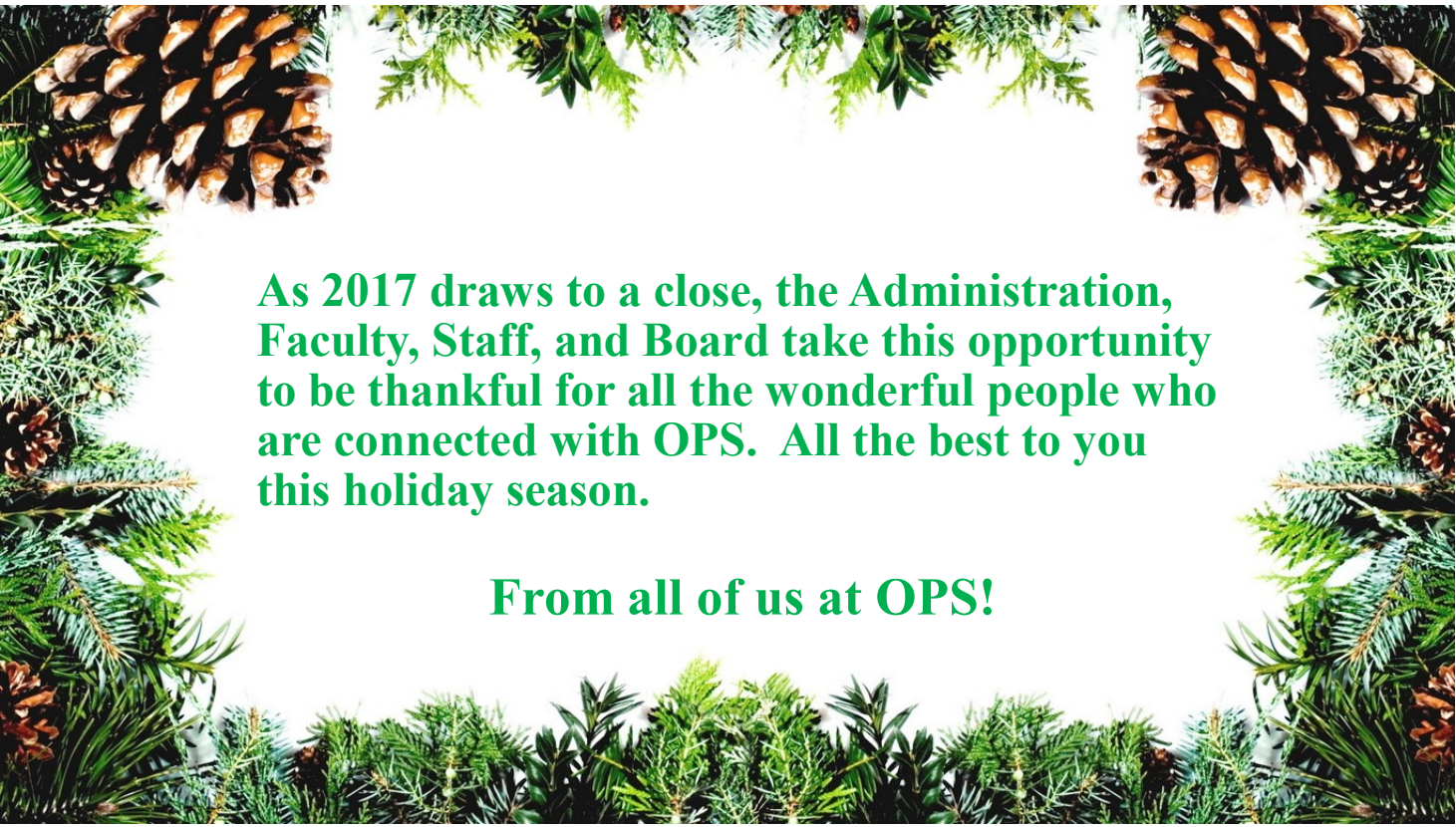


Completion of all Athletic Renovations (Softball and Track)

- January 15th Martin Luther King Holiday
- February 16th Professional Development (Teacher Workday/Student Holiday)
- February 19th Winter Holiday for Faculty and Students
- March 5th-10th Senior Class Trip

Tuition & Fees

TUITION MUST BE CURRENT (including December) in order to view or receive report cards on January 8th. Tuition is due on the 1st of each month and past due after the 20th. OPS accepts credit card payments. Credit card payments may be made in the Upper Campus Business Office or over the phone. Please contact the Business Office if you have any questions at 803.534.7970, or email tbird@orangeburgprep.com or pedwards@orangeburgprep.com.



As 2017 draws to a close, the Administration, Faculty, Staff, and Board take this opportunity to be thankful for all the wonderful people who are connected with OPS. All the best to you this holiday season.

From all of us at OPS!

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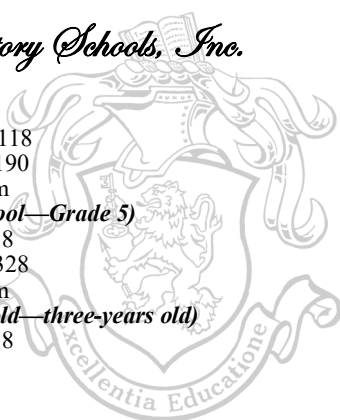
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