

# O'MALEY

## Innovation Middle School



### O'Maley Happenings – Thursday, April 27, 2017

#### **What's happening at O'Maley this week???**

**School Dance** – Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm

#### **We have recently stepped up**

**enforcement on two issues.** First, we have a number of students who fail to show for assigned detentions, most of which were issued for being tardy to school. After due notice to students, we are adding additional detentions as a consequence for not serving. Those who have not served all their detentions will not be allowed to attend end of year activities.

Secondly, cell phone use by students during the school day is not allowed. Many students are violating this rule. As a result, any student who is using his/her phone will have the phone confiscated and turned in to the main office. An Assistant Principal will contact the parent or guardian to pick the phone up from school. This is a troublesome issue and O'Maley would like to host a forum on this topic in early May. We invite two parents of current 5th, 6th and 7th graders to participate along with admin, faculty, staff and students. If you would like to join this group please email Mr. Strong ([jstrong@gloucesterschools.com](mailto:jstrong@gloucesterschools.com)) for consideration. Thank you for your continued support.

**Lost and Found** – Time to empty the 'Lost and Found' again! Clothes will be out for pick-up the week of May 1<sup>st</sup>. Any leftover clothes will be donated on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**O'Maley Academy** – Attention Mountain Bikers – please join us for Mountain Biking Club every Monday 2-4:30. Please bring your bike to school and meet Ms. Wakeman in the café afterschool.

#### **O'Maley Academy Fundraiser: "Be Our**

**Guest"** O'Maley Academy is hosting a fundraiser to generate income needed to continue the support of the grant for all of our free after school programs for 2017-18. On Thursday, May 4 at 6:00 P.M., dinner will be served in the O'Maley Commons, followed by an O'Maley Academy Spring Drama Club presentation in which 35 sixth, seventh and eighth grade students will perform 10 songs & dances from different Broadway musicals. Cost: \$5 students/seniors & \$10 adults with a \$20 per family maximum charge.

#### **Message from the Nurse's Office:**

The nurse's office will start the Mandated Department of Public Health Postural Screenings next week. We will be screening only those students whose parents check off school screening on the health form that went home at the beginning of the school year.

7<sup>th</sup> grade students will be screened on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students screened Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will be screened Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that girls wear a fitted tank top or sports bra. Thank you from your School Nurses!

**Teen Night!** Join the Fun! Cape Ann YMCA – Saturday Night, **April 29<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm.**

#### **Mulan Jr. DVDs now on sale!**

Professionally filmed/edited DVDs of O'Maley Academy Drama Club's production of Mulan Jr. are now available to purchase at (the school's main office. Cost: \$10 (1 cast), \$15 (2 casts), \$20 (3 casts) - CASH ONLY (exact change is very helpful). Please note these DVDs are for personal, at-home viewing only. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Drama Club. Special thanks to Martin DelVecchio & David Lufkin

**Attn: Parents** - it has come to our attention that a number of our students are watching a show called, **13 Reasons Why** on Netflix. As you may have seen on the news, this show covers some intense topics. Perhaps you could use this as a means to have some important conversations with your teen. The O'Maley guidance department is always available to assist if you have any questions or need some advice.

**Cape Ann Sustainability Fair** – Join us for the 2017 Cape Ann sustainability Fair on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at O'Maley Innovation Middle School. This day of teaching, learning and collaborating will include topics such as energy conservation, green solutions, sustainable food systems, recycling and waste reduction! – This event is FREE Come for the music, food and fun!

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### **Pride Stride Walk!**

*A group from O'Maley will participate in the Pride Stride walk this Sunday, April 30th at Stage Fort Park. The walk starts at noon and we will proudly be part of this great cause. All are welcome, just look for the O'Maley banner!*

### **Community Service**

*Please fill out an online community service form if you have been participating in an area of service this year. We need your hours to reach our goal. The link is:*

*<http://omaley.gloucesterschools.com/home/community-service>*

### **A Great Day of Support**

*Students participated in a Day of Silence at lunch today to support anti-bullying and anti-harrassment, especially for LGBTQ youth and oppressed groups. All those who volunteered spent their lunch/recess in silence. The event was a great success! We had over 25% of student body participated.*