

# OWLET NEWSLETTER

1ST SIX WEEKS

## THIS SIX WEEKS IN OJH

Odem Junior High just finished the first six weeks of the 2023-24 school year. It has been fast and furious. Students and staff are working hard.

I am proud to say our Owlets have finished the first six weeks with 95% attendance. We have had several days where a grade level has had 100% attendance. Students must be in school to learn. Remember to turn in excuses as soon as they return.

Finally our OJH staff has been showcasing our students each week with "Student Shout Outs". Staff members chose students based on character, academics, and growth. We have lots to shout about at OJH.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Odem Junior High will be hosting two big events this year. The first is our annual Career Day. It will be November 17. If you are interested in sharing your career, please contact the front office.

We will also be hosting for the second year the UIL Academic Meet this January. We will be needing volunteers to help. Please let us know if you can help by reaching out to 361-368-8121 ext 246.



## 2 ATHLETICS

There are many opportunities for our OJH students to participate in extra curricular activities this semester.

Odem Football has been growing and getting better each week. They are able to have both a 7th and 8th grade football team this year. Both teams have had some victories.

Odem Volleyball has started their second half of their season. They have also grown, learned, and been victorious.

OJH Cross Country has grown in numbers. They have been hard at work practicing. They will participate in the district meet this week. Good luck to all our athletes.



## EXTRA CURRICULAR

Odem Junior High has clubs, which our Owlets can learn leadership, teamwork and responsibility. We will highlight one each six weeks.

The first is cheerleading. Each spring, Owlet cheerleaders are selected. They attend camp each summer to learn cheers, chants, dances, and stunts. They perform at all home pep rallies. Each game day, the cheerleaders promote school spirit.



Help us bring awareness to cancer by wearing Pink on Mondays

## New Staff at OJH

Odem Junior High has several new faces this year. They also have some familiar faces in new positions. A familiar face in our principal position is Cindy Garcia. Mrs. Garcia is starting her 26th year with OEISD. She has been an assistant principal, counselor, and teacher.

Another familiar face is our new counselor, Mrs. Belinda Ruiz. She begins her 16th year in education.

Coach Haden Borden is our new sixth grade science teacher. He will be coaching junior high football, basketball, and baseball.

Mrs. Kamara Wittner is our new science teacher. She will be teaching 8th grade and one 7th grade class.

Mrs. Christine Price is our new math teacher. She will be teaching 7th grade math.

Nathan Wenschel is our new IT tech. He is also coaching junior high sports.



FCA first meeting was a success.

Show your support to Anti Bullying by wearing Orange or Blue on Wednesdays.

# Dates to Remember

- October 2 VB Vs AP
- October 3- 2nd Six Weeks begins
- October 4 CC District @ Goliad
- October 5- Report Cards distributed
- October 5 FB Vs Falfurrias
- October 6 - Early Release
- October 6- PAP Ice Cream at lunch
- October 7 Odem B Tournament
- October 9- Vision and Hearing Tests
- October 9- Honor Roll Celebration
- October 10 VB @ Goliad
- October 11- Fall Pictures
- October 12 FB @ Hebbronville
- October 16 VB @ George West
- October 19 FB vs Banquete
- October 23- Staff development
- October 24- 5:30 Poster Contest Lion's Club
- October 24- 31- Red Ribbon Week
- November 2- End of the 2nd six weeks

