



News Notes

October 9, 2026



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Dates to Remember

Oct. 16 Color Day
 Oct. 19 Parent/Teacher Conferences – NO SCHOOL
 Oct. 20 Pep Rally – Youth Center 2:00 PM
 Oct. 20 Basketball AWAY games Girls 6 PM Boys 7 PM
 Oct. 22-25 Red Ribbon Week
 Oct. 22 Farmland Adventures School-wide Field Trip
 Oct. 29 Fall Festival 4:30-7:30 PM

MORI'S MINUTE



Hello OAS families!

Today is officially the last day of Quarter 1. Congrats on making it this far! This also means we are now 32 weeks away from summer!



If you haven't already, you must sign up for parent/teacher conferences **BEFORE** Monday, October 19, using this link:

https://www.ptcfast.com/schools/Ozark_Adventist_School

You may call the front office if you are having difficulty signing up before the deadline.



A reminder on dress code: now that everyone should have received their blue hoodies, we ask that hoodies/sweaters either be OAS-related or solid-colored. Tie-dye, brand logos, or other images are not permitted per the school handbook.

Lastly, our first discipleship class meets today after school from 12:30 - 1:30 pm. We have about seven students signed up already. We're looking forward to studying the Word together!

Our first Education Sabbath is coming up on November 14 at the Gentry SDA Church. Our uniform for students will be all black (tops and bottoms). More details to come as we get closer to November. 🏠



Preschool

Mrs. Joanna Davis

Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had a wonderful fall break! It was so good to have everyone back. I had some **very good helpers this week**, and I am so proud of everyone!



Bible Story

This week we are learning about **Abraham** and how God asked him to leave his home and go to a new land. Abraham trusted God and followed wherever God led him.



What We're Learning

Letters: B & M

Numbers: 9 & 10



Shape: Star



Color: Pink — **P-I-N-K**



Parent-Teacher Conferences

If you have not already signed up for a **Parent-Teacher Conference**, please do so. I look forward to visiting with each family about your child and the progress they are making!



Staying Healthy

We have several children with runny noses and coughs right now. Please remember that a few simple healthy habits can help:

- Wash hands often
- Get plenty of sleep
- Drink plenty of water
- Eat healthy foods



These are great ways to help us stay healthy and can help our bodies feel better sooner when we do get sick.

Thank you for helping us keep our preschool classroom happy and healthy! — Ms. Jo



Kindergarten

Mrs. Yossy

Castillo

This week we had a wonderful time learning together. Here is what we covered:



Bible - The Shunammite Woman and Elisha

We learned the story from 2 Kings 4 about the kind Shunammite woman who built a small room for the prophet Elisha. We talked about what it means to show hospitality and generosity. The children learned that God sees and blesses a kind and helpful heart.

Language Arts - Letters O and D

We focused on recognizing, sounding, and writing uppercase and lowercase O and D. We practiced

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the sounds /o/ as in octopus and /d/ as in dog, traced the letters, and sorted pictures of words that start with O and D.

Math - Numbers 9 and 10

We worked on recognizing, counting, and writing numbers 9 and 10. We used ten frames, counting objects, and hands-on activities to show one-to-one correspondence.

Science - The Solar System

We introduced the solar system. We learned that the Sun is a star at the center and that eight planets orbit around it. We learned that Earth is the planet where we live and that it is special because it has water and life.

Social Studies - Me on the Map

We are learning where we live, from small to big. We started with our house, then our neighborhood, town, state, country, and finally the world.

Reminders:

- Please send reading logs every Monday.
- Please have your child read for 15 minutes each day. I am sending two different books home each week for practice.
- Thank you for all your support. Have a wonderful weekend!

1st Grade

Mrs. Bonny Baldridge



Treasure Verse: "I have loved you with a love that lasts forever."

--- Jeremiah 31:3 NIRV

Please practice the treasure verse with your child at home.

Bible: We are learning that, when God's children made the wrong choice, He kept His promise to save us.

Phonics focus for the week: -nk (tank, pink, honk, spunk) and digraph review #2

Math: Strategies $_ + 4 = 6$ and $8 - ? = 3$

Science: The human body.

Social Studies: Thanksgiving then and now.

2nd Grade

Mrs. Jamie Short



In Phonics, we reviewed glued sounds such as /ild/, /ost/, or /old/. We reviewed the times when y says /e/ or /i/ at the end of a word and the final stable syllable of consonant- le.

In math, we finished our instruction on strategies for fluent addition and subtraction within 20. Next week we will test over this chapter and then begin a study of place value.

Science this week was all about our brain and nervous system. We had a blast exploring all the amazing things our brain was designed to do.

In Bible, we heard the story of the plagues in Egypt. Our favorite part was when we connected a different Egyptian god to each plague and realized that our God proved his power and might by defeating them to save His people.

3rd Grade

Mrs. Judy Cambigue



We're Walking to Little Rock... and Some of Us Are Running!

One of my long-standing favorite activities with students is setting a big walking goal and working together to reach it! In the past, I've had classes walk all the way to Washington, D.C. That's a little far from Arkansas, so this year **we're walking to Little Rock!**

Our goal is to collectively walk **220 miles—the approximate distance from our school to the Arkansas State Capitol building!**

We've started keeping track of our laps around the playground. Based on a previous measurement, approximately **six laps equal one mile**. Every lap counts, whether students choose to walk, jog, or run! I expect we'll reach our goal sometime during the second semester, and when we do, **we'll celebrate with a big party day!** It's a fun way to encourage physical activity, perseverance, and teamwork as we work toward a common goal.



Math — Making Connections!

As we studied a multiplication chart, we realized that because we already know the multiplies or how to skip-count by 1s, 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s, **they already have strategies in**



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their heads for solving many multiplication problems!

We're building on what students already know as we work toward multiplication and division fact fluency. Next Tuesday, all students will have their MathFactLab account updated and switched over multiplication and division facts. It's encouraging to help them see that these new skills aren't quite as unfamiliar as they first appear!



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Please note that I'll be keeping student work samples from the past two weeks to share with you at our upcoming parent-teacher conferences on Monday, October 19th. I look forward to meeting with each family to celebrate your child's progress, discuss areas for continued growth, and talk about how we can work together to support their learning.

ornament that is Arkansas-themed for a friendly classroom/school competition. This week we welcomed a new member to our class, Nico, our male teddy bear hamster. We are all already in love and enjoy seeing his cute little face. We have also been hard at work practicing for our first Education Sabbath next month. I hope everyone can join us at the Gentry church to enjoy the students' hard work. 4

Dates to remember:

10/19 - Parent-Teacher conferences - please sign up through the link that was sent out as soon as you can. Sign-ups will close on Sunday, 10/18.

10/22 - Farmland Adventures field trip!

10/29 - Fall Festival - more info to come!



event. Students are asked to wear **all black** ("concert black") for the service. More information will be provided as we get closer to the event.

Farmland Adventures:

Permission slips for our upcoming trip to Farmland Adventures are in your child's Friday folder. Please complete the permission slip and return it to school on Monday.

Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Parent-teacher conferences are right around the corner on **October 19th**. This year, you will receive an online sign-up link through email. Please be sure to sign up for a conference time. I can't wait to meet with each and every one of you!

Reading:

It is a new quarter, so please encourage your child to read for **20-30 minutes every night**. Each quarter, students are required to earn **10 AR points** through library reading. The end of the second quarter is **December 18**.



Also, please remember that our **second book report is due Friday, October 31st**.

Spelling:

Spelling will be a review this week.

Unit 6 – Grade 5:

lizard, glitter, income, index, discuss, assist, history, camera, album, limit, England, cliffs, Mississippi, infant, glisten, online

4th Grade Mrs. Brooke Hiebert



We have reached the end of the first quarter. Woohoo! I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know every student in our classroom this first quarter.

This week we started an informational writing project which I plan to get published into a book for us! We are all very excited to pick an animal to write about and draw. The students also started a Christmas

5th & 6th Grades Mrs. Tania Miller



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Today is the last day of the quarter—time is flying by! I can't believe how quickly the year is going.

Please take note of this important date: **November 14th is Education Sabbath at Gentry Church**.

Our entire school will be participating in the church service, and we are excited to have our students be a part of this special

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Unit 6 – Grade 6:

critical, expense, challenge, problem, terrible, rescind, uncommon, agreeable, analysis, reasonable, predict, depth, product, captain, comfortable, calculate

Bible Memory Verse:

“... the Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.” Exodus 34:6 NIV

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement at home. I appreciate everything you do to help your child have a successful school year!

Science: We're nearing the end of our unit on bacteria, protists, and fungi. The students have learned so much!

Social Studies: We wrapped up a nice current events project on the Prime Minister of Canada and the President of the United States. The students did a great job!

Reminders:

- Farmland Adventure Field Trip: October 22
- Fall Festival: October 29
- Canned food drive: all of October. Thank you for your generosity!



Blessings! ---Mrs. Enochs

Grade 7

Angel 13.2

Grade 8

Brooke 1.8
Alicia 10.0
Boston 10.8
Lewis 27.2

OAS HOME & SCHOOL



Home & School News!

October is off to a great start, and we have so much to celebrate! From an AMAZING Glow Ride fundraiser to opportunities to give back and enjoy some fall fun, there's a lot happening with Home & School!



Glow Ride — We Did It! WOW! Thanks to

YOU, our Glow Ride raised an incredible \$5,345!



A HUGE thank you to all our students, families, sponsors, and volunteers who helped make this fundraiser such a success! Your generosity and support continue to make a difference for our school. Let's give a BIG round of applause to our **Top 3 Glow**



Ride Fundraisers!



Cooper Borth — \$875



Andrea Parra — \$400



Theo Netzel — \$377

And a special shoutout to our **4th Grade Class!** They raised the most funds AND had the highest participation, earning themselves a well-deserved **ICE CREAM PARTY!**



7th & 8th Grades

Mrs. Hayli Enochs



Bible: We've begun our study of the Cross, and the conversations in class have been so meaningful! Here's our memory verse for next week:

"And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins." ---Matthew 1:21

Math: Our 7th graders are doing a great job multiplying and dividing rational numbers, and our 8th graders are busy working on transformations.

Writing: We're working on the middle part of our personal narratives, and the students are adding such nice details to bring their stories to life!

LIBRARY



Mrs. Crystal Beierle

10/7/26 AR Points

Grade 1

Khaleb 1.5
River 7.0
Sawyer 15.4
Delta 25.3
Hayes 30.4

Grade 2

Katie 1.0
Selah 5.0
Charlotte 10.5
Lyra 11.1
Darius 18.6

Grade 3

Ian 10.0
Oliver 15.1

Grade 4

Theo 11.0
Cooper 19.3
Jack 20.0

Grade 5

Chevy 7.0
Cade 8.1
Jeshua 16.7
Abi 16.8
Miriam 18.3
August 53.8

Grade 6

Trevor 7.9
Isabel 9.8
Emmaline 15.5

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Bring the whole family and come make some wonderful memories with our school community! * See flyer attached.

As always, thank you for showing up, giving generously, and supporting Home & School. **Together, we're doing AMAZING things for our students and school!**

OAS COOKIES



You may want to buy a cookie to be delivered to someone at our school. If so, there is a cookie box order table in the school with a little note to fill out. Cookies are \$.50 each or \$5 for a dozen. This is an academy fundraiser. **The next delivery date is October 15.**

Great job, everyone! We are so proud of our students and thankful for our amazing school family!

Canned Food Drive — Let's Give Back! Our October Canned Food Drive is underway! We're collecting food to help families in need in our community, and we'd love for everyone to participate.

This week's requested donations are:

- Canned Fruit
- Canned Vegetables
- Canned Pumpkin



Our students will have the opportunity to help package the

donated items before they are delivered to **TLC** to bless families in need.



Every can counts! Thank you for helping us teach our children the importance of kindness, generosity, and serving others.



Fall Festival — October 29! Our next BIG Home & School event is right around the corner, and we can't wait!



Thursday, October 29



4:30-7:30 PM



Springtown Pavilion

Get ready for an evening of **games, a hayride, food, fellowship, and LOTS of fall fun!**



OAS SPORTS

Basketball

Boys practice 3:30-5:00 Tuesday & Thursday in the OAA gym.



Girls practice 5:15-6:45 Tuesday & Thursday in the OAA gym.

PEP RALLY! In the youth center on Tuesday, Oct. 20, at 2:00 PM. Come cheer our basketball teams on as they have their first games later on Tuesday in Rogers.

First basketball games are on October 20. These are away games in Rogers. Please see the attached flyer.

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OAS
BASKETBALL

FIRST GAME
OF THE SEASON

LADYHAWKS VS NWA HORNETS 6:00 PM	SKYHAWKS VS NWA HORNETS 7:00 PM
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20th

GAME IS ON THE
MERCY COURT
AT AAO IN ROGERS, AR

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FALL FESTIVAL

Harvest under the Stars

WHEN:
Thursday,
October 29
4:30 - 7:30 PM

WHERE:
Springtown
Pavilion

HAYRIDE **FOOD** **FUN GAMES** **BAKE SALE**

Dress Up for the Fun!
Come dressed as your favorite
fall character!
Examples: pumpkin, leaf, scarecrow,
or any fall-themed character!

Please contact Samrina Cox at **479-220-2184**
with any questions or if you would like to volunteer.

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