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A Message from the OMS PTSO

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the 344 families who have joined the PTSO for supporting their children's school life. Please make it a habit to read these monthly newsletters as they contain updates on many special events that are scheduled for the middle school. You can also stay up to date with everything from the lunch menu to PTSO sponsored events on the PTSO website at www.baseclasstech.com. Our next PTSO meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 11 from 7:00 – 8:00** in the OMS media center. Lieutenant Robert Devine of the Stoughton Police Department will join us to give a presentation on how to keep your child safe on the computer. Lt. Devine has spoken to many parent groups on this important topic. He has down to earth tips that give parents the ability to protect and support their children, even in the computer age.

Remember, the school store is open every Monday during all lunches. Students are able to buy basic school supplies (notebooks, pencils, erasers, pens...) all for under \$1.00.

We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting and thank you for your continued support.

Stoughton Youth Commission

The Stoughton Youth Commission is a town-funded, community-based mental health agency that provides programs for the youth of Stoughton and their families at little or no cost. The mission of our small licensed staff is to serve Stoughton youth and their families in such a manner that the quality of their lives and their sense of self-worth are improved. To achieve this goal we offer individual and family counseling, therapeutic and psycho-educational groups, parenting programs and some recreational activities. Some of our fall groups for Middle schoolers and their families include:

- Baby Sitter/CPR Training (ages 12 and up)
- Strengthening Families(skills building program for parents and children)
- Teen Talking(a group where middle school teens can come and talk about anything)
- Youth Advisory Counsel(leadership and volunteer group)

The Youth Commission values input from the community and we would love to hear your ideas. To find out more about our programs please contact us at stoughtonyouthcommission.org or call us at (781)341-2252.

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For more information,

Keep an eye on channel 6 for OMS announcements

Visit the
www.stoughtonschools.org
website

OMS-PTSO News

FYI

Lunch Online

The Food Service online payment web site is now "MealPayPlus", and is available at <https://www.mealpayplus.com>

Campbell's Soup Labels



Keep sending in your Campbell's labels. Please remember to send in the entire label. Go to www.labelsforeducation.com/eligibleproductsEN.aspx for a complete list of eligible products.

Teachers ONLINE

Email is a very effective tool for communication.

Every teacher has an address.

For a list of teachers, go to the ODMS website's Staff List Page at:

<http://www.stoughtonschools.org/Stoughton/ODMS/pages/staff.htm>

Each teacher's email format is:

firstInitial_lastName@ StoughtonSchools.org

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Just a few reminders about Box Tops for Education:

- 1) Please SAVE your eligible Box Tops - For a complete list of all Box Tops products, go to the Box Tops website at boxtops4education.com.
- 2) Look for the limited-edition 30¢ Super Box Top on specially marked packages of participating Box Tops brands, in stores now! Plus, see specially marked packages for details on how new school supporters can sign up online to earn an additional 7 Bonus Box Tops through October 31, 2007.
- 3) Please check that the Box Tops you send in are not expired. (Thank you sooo much for this!)
- 4) If you've previously been to the Box Tops website (boxtops4education.com) in support of your child's elementary school and no longer have children in that school, please consider updating your profile as a supporter of OMS, so you can track our progress. Plus, you'll get extra opportunities for coupons that'll save you money!
- 5) If you've never been to the Box Tops website, please check it out! On occasion there are contests where our school can earn additional Box Tops just for having folks sign up to receive emails with savings opportunities, or simply by having folks click on a link or two!
- 6) There will be a Box Tops box in the office soon (really, I promise), so please collect 'em and send 'em in! Remember to ask friends and relatives without children to save their Box Tops for you, too! (And maybe have them take a peek at the website...)

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OMS-PTSO News

EVENTS

OMS Holiday Shopping Fundraiser
November 3rd (Friday)
7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
at the VFW Hall

Ages 21+ admitted



OMS DANCE

The first OMS Dance of the school year will be coming in early November! The date will be announced during school morning announcements and will be posted on the website. There will be separate dance times for the 6th grade (4:30 to 6:30) and 7th/8th grades (7:00 to 9:00).

Cultural Events Committee

Meg Tabacsko from the MWRA (Massachusetts Water Resource Authority) will visit the sixth and seventh grade students October 16th, 18th and Dec. 5th.

She will give a presentation called **Down The Drain**.




Down The Drain is an interactive presentation that answers the questions:

What is wastewater?... Where does it come from?... Where does it go?...

The 30" x 40" presentation boards depict each stage of the waste water treatment process. Props are velcroed to the boards to show what gets stopped along the way. Students see actual samples of wastewater as it progresses through the system. *This program is made possible by our PTSO.*

October

DAY	DATE	EVENT/ACTIVITY
Mon	10/2	Yom Kippur - No School
Thur	10/5	Magazine Fundraiser Kickoff
Mon	10/9	Columbus Day -No School
Wed	10/11	OMS PTSO meeting – 7:00 pm
Fri	10/13	Term I Mid-term Reports Issued
Thur	10/26	Early Release
Tues	10/31	Halloween 

October 2006						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	<u>2</u>	3	4	5	6	7
8	<u>9</u>	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	<u>26</u>	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

November

DAY	DATE	EVENT/ACTIVITY
Fri	11/3	OMS Holiday Shopping Fundraiser
Tues	11/7	No School – Professional Development Day
Wed	11/8	OMS PTSO meeting – 7:00 pm
Wed	11/15	Parent/Teacher conferences (M-Z)
Mon	11/20	Parent/Teacher conferences (A-L)
Mon	11/20	Term I Report Cards issued
Wed	11/22	Early Dismissal
Thurs	11/23	Thanksgiving – No School
Fri	11/24	No School

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29	30	31	1	2	3	4
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