



Week of February 7, 2020

"All our dreams can come true – if we have the courage to pursue them."  
- Walt Disney

DID YOU KNOW?

A group of crows is called a murder.



Principal's Corner

Greetings OGA Families,

February is a celebration and acknowledgement of Black History. There are some great activities being planned by our teachers and we will have a special event for our students on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

As you know, we have had some exciting weather over the last week. However, who would have thought that it would line up perfectly with what our 5<sup>th</sup> graders are studying right now.

Please make sure you go to the OGA Foundation website ([www.ogafoundation.com](http://www.ogafoundation.com)) to find out specific details regarding the "Soar in to the 20's" fundraiser sponsored by the OGA Foundation. This fundraiser will be held on 2/22/2020 and will raise funds to support teacher grants and additional school needs.

Progress Reports will go home with students on February 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, please schedule an appointment with your child's teacher. Positive communication between parents and teachers helps improve academic performance.

This year our teachers have had the opportunity to participate in great professional development. While it may seem like your child's teacher is out of the classroom for the day, just know that if they are attending a professional development, they will bring the knowledge gained back to the classroom. The information that they receive has a positive impact and direct correlation to what your child is learning.

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> Grader Tristan Hoon on completing ALL 15 Sunshine State books!

Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> Grader Alic Tam for winning the OCPS Beanstack Winter Reading Challenge!



2/11: Class Pictures & SAC Meeting  
2/12: Progress Reports go home  
2/17: President's Day – No School  
3/12: Field Day



# The Dolphin



The Dolphin is a mammal just like us, but they live in water. They have blow holes so they can breathe. The most common dolphin is called the "common dolphin". Dolphins live in warm waters, adapting to several marine and estuarine habitats, including, occasionally, rivers. There are multiple species of dolphins including bottlenose dolphins, the short-beaked common dolphin, and the South Asian river dolphin, but these dolphins are only a tiny percent of all the dolphin species in the world.

## Valentine's Riddle

What did the  
calculator say to the  
pencil cat on  
Valentine's Day?

*You can always count on me.*

### Valentine's Day Candy Grams By OGA PTA

2 OPTIONS AVAILABLE

- **Pink or Purple Message Box- \$1.00**  
includes hand-written Valentine Gram Box (pink or purple boxes below) and candy
- **Red Message Box- \$5.00**  
includes hand-written, personalized message (see red box below), an OGA bracelet, candy, and a small puzzle.

Please fill out boxes below to participate & include payment in envelope.  
There are no limits to how many you can send. Orders will be delivered to classrooms on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.  
ADDITIONAL ORDER FORMS will be available in the front office and at [www.OGAPTA.com](http://www.OGAPTA.com)

#### VALENTINE GRAM

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## Recipe of the week: Cheese Quesadilla

Amount: 2  
Time: 20 min.

### Ingredients:

- 2 Tortillas
- 1/2 Cup sharp cheddar cheese
- 1/2 Cup mozzarella cheese
- A drizzle of olive oil



### Steps:

1. Put tortillas on griddle drizzled with olive oil
2. Add cheeses and top with second tortilla
3. Cook until bottom tortilla begins to brown and cheese softens (about 2 min)
4. Flip and cook until tortilla in brown and cheese is melted
5. Remove from heat and cut
6. ENJOY!!!!

By: Katie-Claire & Deeharr



# OREGON STREET DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

ANTICIPATED START: JANUARY 22, 2020

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: DECEMBER 2020

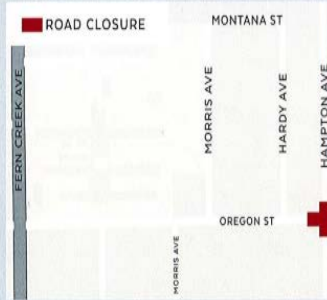
## PROJECT OVERVIEW

The city's Public Works Department contracted J. Malever Construction Inc. to make stormwater drainage improvements on Oregon Street from Hampton Avenue to Fern Creek Avenue. During the project, the contractor will install a new 66-inch stormwater pipe and connect it to an existing 108-inch stormwater pipe that outfalls to Lake Rowena.

Additional improvements will be made to previously identified sidewalk panels, curbing, and sanitary sewer laterals. Completion of the project will reduce flooding in the immediate and surrounding neighborhoods. We expect to complete the project in ten months.

## NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACT

The project will begin at the intersection of Hampton Avenue and Oregon Street, traveling west towards Fern Creek Avenue. There will be traffic pattern changes to Orlando Gifted Academy's student pick-up and drop-off later in the project. There will be times when a driveway or intersection is temporarily unavailable. However, homeowners will have access to their driveway and entrance throughout the project's duration. Solid waste, recycling, mail, and other services will continue as scheduled. Should an emergency occur, first responders and emergency vehicles will have priority access. Project hours are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Unforeseen circumstances and adverse weather can create delays that increase the project's duration. Unforeseen circumstances can create opportunities for weekend and overnight work.



For more information please visit, [orlando.gov/oregonstreetdrainage](http://orlando.gov/oregonstreetdrainage).



## The Big IDEA Parent Workshops

OCPS ESE Parent Support Team presents

### Two free workshops for parents!

**Family Future Planning** - We will discuss college accommodations, independent living skills, guardianship and guardianship advocacy, and financial planning for families of students with disabilities.

**Executive Functioning Skills at Home** - We will demonstrate practical methods every parent can incorporate into daily routines to improve critical thinking, self-control, and time management at nominal cost to families.

Please feel free to bring your children and your own snacks/food. There is no childcare at this event, but children are welcome.

**Saturday, February 15th 10:00am-1:00pm**

Union Park Middle School, 1844 Westfall Drive, Orlando, FL 32817

Register to attend!

Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/big-idea-parent-workshops-tickets-92196978645>







OR via a link from the OCPS ESE website at <https://www.e.se.ocps.net>



## MATH PROBLEMS TO PONDER

Easy	Medium	Hard
$5 + 9 + 8 - 10 = ?$  By: Will C.	$5 + 9 + 10 - 5 = ?$	Will has \$120 he wants to buy 2 bags of chips each bag costs \$2.50. If he pays with his \$100 bill how much will he get back?

## What we CELEBRATE nationally this week!

2/7 National Bubblegum Day 	2/8 National Kite Flying Day 	2/9 National Pizza Day 	2/10 National Umbrella Day 	2/11 National Make a Friend 	2/12 Abraham Lincoln's Birthday 	2/13 World Radio Day 
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By: Sophia & London

# OUR WEEK IN PICTURES





Beautification Project in the Works....



Our 6<sup>th</sup> graders playing soccer at PE.

