Scott Hardister: Sports season update: the Middle School has never had so many teams. Girls cross country did great, both boys' soccer teams won their divisions, Girls' blue lost in the championship game, but it was the most exciting game - went to overtime, penalty kicks and sudden death. Conferences are rolling along: 6th and 7th have taken place; 8th grade conferences are this week. We've integrated the ERBs into the new conference schedule. It's been difficult for teachers who cross over grades, but exciting to have almost all the teachers in attendance. We will be asking for feedback once all conferences and ERBs are over. Mo Copeland: Fall has been wonderful. We have two new wonderful staff joining OES.

Chris Schuck: Associate Head of School. He comes from La Jolla Country Day School in San Diego where he's held a variety of positions.

Liz McDonnell: Director of Development - from Andover. She has had experience with development/fundraising. Comes to OES with a Masters in Education, experience in publication, healthcare fundraising, and education. Liz updates parents: we are at 63% of our capital campaign. Liz is impressed with the amount of parent involvement/care provided to PreK-12 students.

The new chairs are being used for PAL meetings. Thanks to those involved.

Hillary O'Holleran: Book Fair this year will be held at Annie Bloom's Books in Multnomah Village Friday, Nov. 14 through Monday, Nov. 17th. The fair is open all hours the store is open. Please attend, take your kids; invite friends. 20% of all sales go to support FOESL (Friends of the OES Library). There are still some volunteer needs for parents for two-hour shifts. Please go to Volunteer Spot to sign up.

Michelle Fitzhenry: The OES Auction will be March 14th. It's a James Bond theme! RSVP early, as it's sure to sell out. There will be more information to come.

Alexandra Ulmer and Sarayu Caulfield: US Science Research Project. They are asking for parents to volunteer to participate and complete a 30-minute survey to add to their US Research Project. The data will enhance the project they've been working on for the past three years. Dates for parents to participate in the survey: November 14th at 8 am
or December 5th at 8 am or 2:15 pm. Please sign up now or respond to the email they will send so they can know how many parents to expect. Location for the survey will be on campus, but yet to be determined. You will need an iPad or iPhone (access to email) to participate. They summarized the support they've received for Science Research through the years. Science research begins for students in 6th grade. Students really benefit from the 1:1 laptop program (through Freshman year). It's common in the US for students to work independently on science projects. Collaboration can be hard, but with Google Docs, Alexandra and Sarayu edit their work live. OES helps with interlibrary loans and access to more information for research. They have learned how to use Excel and PowerPoint programing since the MS, and now have access to SPSS through OES (a more advanced program which has helped them organize 200,000 data points). They use Twitter/Facebook - social media for news, sharing national/international media.

Here is a link to Jenny Futrell's PAL presentation on social media and technology. Please contact her if you have any questions.
Social Media Presentation
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