The cast and crew from the production of *The Curious Savage*. 
Photo Credit: John Holloran

**NEWS FROM JORDAN ELLIOTT, HEAD OF UPPER SCHOOL**

Recent weeks have been consumed with preparation for athletic and performing arts. This Saturday, our Girls’ and Boys’ Soccer Teams will be competing in the State Finals. Go Aardvarks!

Despite missing opening night due to inclement weather, this fall’s production of *The Curious Savage* carries on. I encourage as many people as possible to attend Friday and Saturday’s performance to support our great cast and crew.

Follow me on Twitter: [@OESheadUS](https://twitter.com/OESheadUS).

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 13-15  *The Curious Savage*, 7:00pm, Great Hall
November 14-17  Book Fair, Annie Bloom Books
November 15  Girls State Soccer Championship, 3:30pm, Liberty HS
            Boys State Soccer Championship, 8:30pm, Hillsboro Stadium
November 17  11th Grade PAL, 8:00am, DVR
            College Financial Aid Night, 7:00pm, Great Hall
November 18  12th Grade PAL, 8:00am, DVR
November 19  International Winterim Trip Mtg (Thailand/France), 6:30pm, Rm 60
November 23  "Beyond the Marshmallows," 3:00pm, Lincoln High School
November 24-28  NO UPPER SCHOOL (9th grade Conferences / Thanksgiving Break)
November 25  Grandparents & Special Friends Day, 8:00am (details below)
December 2  Books & Breakfast, 8:00am, Platt
December 5  Holiday Movie Night, 7:00pm, Great Hall

SCHOOL NOTES

(NEW) Honeywell Instant Alert
Fall is here and Winter is coming! It is important to be ready for what nature throws our way. OES contracts with an emergency announcement calling service that will notify families of school delays and closures and other emergency’s. In order to receive these announcements, you must register with Honeywell Instant Alert. Learn more.

(NEW) Host a Dorm Student this holiday season
Are you looking for a great way to connect with OES? Why not open your home to an International Student from the Boarding Program?! It's a win/win situation - hosting a dorm student is a great way to learn about another side of our OES community and as a host you have the opportunity to introduce our International Students to your Portland! We are currently looking for potential buddy families for the Thanksgiving holiday. For more information, please contact Brad Hoffman.

(NEW) Dr. John Medina & Brain Rules
OES is bringing New York Times bestselling author, Dr. John Medina to our campus on Monday, January 12th. Plan to join us from 7:00-9:00 p.m. for a humorous, energetic and informative presentation on Dr. Medina's book, Brain Rules. The evening promises to give insight into how our brains work and what we need to know in order to strive at home, work, school and in raising our children. Questions? Contact Kristin Bradley.

Grandparents & Special Friends Day
Tuesday, November 25, 2014
8:00 am – 10:45
Guests will enjoy breakfast, musical performances, and a tour of the Upper School with Jordan Elliott. Upper School Students are invited to join their Grandparents or Special Friend for breakfast. If you would like to attend, Please RSVP by Nov 17. (more details below)

Volunteer Needs
- We are seeking two parents from each Upper School grade to coordinate a class
OES Nut Policy Reminder
As everyone is aware, OES has chosen not to serve nuts or nut products in our dining halls as one measure to help keep our community members with life threatening allergies safe. In regards to OES bus transportation, we also request that your student(s) refrain from bringing or consuming nuts or nut products on our OES buses in order to minimize risk for our students. Questions? Contact Elaine Elliott.

Attendance
Please remember to call or email in advance if your child is going to miss school or be late for any reason. Doing so will help us keep your child safe. Email Usattend or call US Attendance Coordinator, Alison Nugent, at (503) 768-3169.

(NEW) VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS
"There are a million things a man won't do for five dollars, but there aren't five things a man won't do for a million." - Mrs. Savage

The OES Performing Arts Department is proud to announce the fall production of The Curious Savage, written by John Patrick and directed by Liz Harlan-Ferlo.

When Ethel Savage inherits her late husband's fortune, her plans to start a "happiness fund" for strangers distresses her three grown-up children. It is only after they have committed to The Cloisters sanatorium that they discover she has hidden the money, and become willing to look anywhere to find it. Ethel finds herself part of the Cloister family of patients, a gentle and eccentric group, and with their help tests her children’s greedy nature. Will the money ever be found?

Performances are November 13th-15th. Tickets can be accessed through the Performing Arts Department Blog. Come check out the posts introducing you to the cast and crew, as well as giving you a glimpse of the work put into mounting this classic show!

(NEW) ADMISSIONS

Prospective Parent Information Receptions – open to the public
Monday, Nov 17, 6pm – Multnomah Athletic Club
Tuesday, Dec 9, 6pm – Oswego Lake Country Club

SIBLING APPLICATIONS
Parents: if you have a child ready to join the OES community in the 2015-16 school
year - the application deadline is January 20. We are offering a reduced application fee of $50, if you apply online by December 15. You will use your parent portal password to log into the online application. An application checklist and other forms are available here.

(NEW) OES SERVICE LEARNING

Many agencies have special events during November-December: preparing natural areas for winter, helping warm and feed those in need during the holidays, providing extra cheer to elders and children, etc. It's a special "use your power for good" time of year! For holiday Service-Learning ideas, go to the Service-Learning Opportunities Page and see what you can find - activities for Upper School students, and for the whole family.

Students in 10th grade should be looking for ways to fulfill those 20 OFF-campus hours before the end of January ... Now's the time!

You will also find full details on the Service-Learning Requirement page.

Giving Tree is Coming!

Join us in this important and joyful OES tradition of service in our local community. Students on the Service-Learning Action Committee and the ASSK Student Advisory Council coordinate the collection of **NEW** clothing and gifts for about 20 families from our AASK partner, Whitford Middle School. Counselors at Whitford carefully identify families that especially need support at this time of year. Each family member will receive socks, a shirt or sweater, pants or jeans, and a gift item. OES is honored to join area churches and other organizations as part of this collaborative effort.

Upper School students and parents can pick up gift tags from the Giving Tree in the main lobby (or during Parent Conferences Nov. 24-25 in DC). Gifts must be placed under the Giving Tree, NOT wrapped, and with gift tags securely attached, by Wednesday December 10. Pick the items that you would most like to give!

Questions? Contact Myra Clark (503) 768-3193, Gisela Walitzki (503) 416-9394, or Robin Schauffler (503) 416-9308.

Volunteers are needed to help wrap gifts and supervise students wrapping gifts. If you are interested please sign up on VolunteerSpot: Giving Tree Gift Wrap.

Questions? Contact Gisela Walitzki.

SENIORS need to be making progress on their Service-Learning Requirement—May is much sooner than they think! If you have a senior in your house, please ask him or her what plans have been made for SERVICE LEARNING PROJECTS!!

Go to Hands-On-Portland and find date-specific volunteer events at a variety of places all over town, or CLICK HERE for the OES Service Learning website's list of projects and agencies that always welcome volunteers, anytime.

Remember, if your child is looking for a way to earn Service-Learning hours, design a Service-Learning Project, or use his or her Power for Good, the Service-Learning Opportunities Page is constantly updated with new options for ON and
OFF campus hours and projects. Don’t let these opportunities go to waste! You will also find on the website all the details of the Service-Learning Requirement. Questions or suggestions? Contact Robin Schauffler, 503-416-9308.

(NEW) ADVENT SERVICE & AFTERGLOW

Everyone is invited to the annual OES Advent Service of Lessons and Carols in the chapel on Thursday, December 4th 6:30 – 7:30pm. Enjoy beautiful music and readings presented by 3rd – 5th grade choirs, middle school choirs, US choir, and the 5th grade handbell choir directed by Jeri Haskins, Amy Rheingans and Adam Steele. All are invited afterwards to Afterglow at 7:30pm in the Great Hall to hear more music and have some cookies.
For more information contact Nancy Teskey.

(NEW) AASK

AASK prepares for the winter session!

AASK’s tutoring session will begin right after Thanksgiving on Tuesday, December 2 and run through Thursday, February 26 (as per the trimester change). Training, which is required, will be on Friday, November 21st from 3:30 – 7:30, with dinner provided.

This is a super opportunity to make a difference. We work with English Language Learners who go to school in a completely different culture than their home culture, who have to be ready for high school in a completely different language than their own and who can only do that with concrete support for their academic skills. AASK students are bright motivated learners and many high school tutors find that they learn as much from their tutoring relationships as their tutees learn from them academically. Join our team, and give our AASK tutees the tools they need for the educational success that every child should have.

Questions? Contact Myra Clark

(NEW) FALL BOOK FAIR

2014 FOESL Book Fair is This Weekend!

The Book Fair starts this Friday at 9:00 am at Annie Bloom’s Books located at 7834 SW Capitol Hwy!

Please be sure to notice the ECHOES Book Drive Books for the Neighborhood House Head Start Program, more information will be available at Annie Bloom’s.

Travel to the fair with other adults aboard the OES Book Fair Bus! We have space for you either on Friday, November 14th at 8:30 am (coffee included!) or on Monday, November 17th at 12:30 pm. Sign up here for hassle free transportation to the fair.

Parking? Will be available at the Multnomah Arts Center during the day as well as the KeyBank parking lot in the evenings.

Did you pre-order your books? You can pick them up anytime this weekend at Anni
Bloom's. They will be waiting for you behind the counter.

**Interested in volunteering for the Fair?** Sign up for one of the last few volunteer spots! [Sign up here!](#)

**Questions?** Check out the [Book Fair Webpage](#) or contact [Hilary O'Hollaren](#).

Thank you for all your support for the OES Libraries and see you next week at the Fair!

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**NEW SCHOOL STORE**

Winter Sport Spirit Wear is being ordered this week. If you are interested in buying tee shirts and sweatshirts for either Basketball or Ski Team, stop by or email your Winter Sport orders as soon as possible! You can also order early for Lacrosse, Tennis, Golf, and Track and Field. Email [menashem@oes.edu](mailto:menashem@oes.edu) to submit your orders.

Also, **New for November**: OES mugs and Tumblers with straws. Start thinking about Holiday Gifts now- it’s a great time to stock up on Aardvark items!

**Store Hours**: Open 2pm-4pm every weekday, as well as by appointment in the morning. You can always visit us online at [www.oes.edu/store](http://www.oes.edu/store).

Questions? Contact [Madeleine](mailto:Madeleine).

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**NEW COMMUNITY DIVERSITY LINK (CDL)**

**Books and Breakfast 2014-15**

Have you ever wondered how personality informs the learning process in different (classroom) environments? Susan Cain's book *Quiet: the Power of Introverts in a World that Can't Stop Talking* brings these questions to the forefront for the Introverts among us, but here at OES faculty strive to create classroom environments suited to *all* personalities on the Introvert--Ambivert--Extrovert continuum.

Director of Studies (Pre-K-12) John Holloran will join CDL for our December 2 Books and Breakfast meeting to discuss Cain's *Quiet*, and also to illuminate how faculty at OES structure their teaching environments so as best to support flow, optimal learning in our students. Extroverts, Ambiverts and Introverts all welcome.

We look forward to seeing you!

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**NEW OES AUCTION 2015**

Secret Agents Needed!!

The OES Auction Planning Committee will meet on **November 20, 2014 at 8:45 AM** in
the DVR and again on December 18th. If you are interested in in helping to plan the 2015 Auction please join us at a meeting or contact auction@oes.edu.

(NEW) MUSIC NOTES

Congrats to Rory O. ’18 and Olivia L. ’15 who both auditioned and were accepted for the All-NW Honor Choir. In addition, Olivia also auditioned for and was accepted into both the All-State and National Honor Choirs.

WINTERIM 2015

A buzz is beginning to circulate about what the opportunities will be for Winterim 2015. The full array of local and domestic courses will be unveiled at the annual Winterim assembly on Friday, November 21, and the online catalog and registration will be available beginning that day. There’s a broad array of courses in the works, with many no-cost options. Please remember that full participation in Winterim each year is a graduation requirement for all students.

Questions? Contact Christina (Tna) Meyerhoff

"BEYOND THE MARSHMALLOWS" LECTURE

Sponsored by Arbor School and hosted by Lincoln High School, this lecture is Dr. Mischel's gift to the community where two of his grandchildren are growing up.

GRANDPARENT & SPECIAL FRIEND DAY
An invitation was mailed to grandparents and special friends of students inviting them to attend a special event from 8:00 to 10:45 a.m. November 25. A continental breakfast and student musical performances will be followed by visits to classrooms (or in Upper School, a school tour). We may not have your child’s grandparents’ address, or you may want to invite a special friend or neighbor to come and experience your child’s day at OES. You may request that the Development Office add your guest to the mailing list and send an invitation by providing information. Additional invitations are also available in the Division Offices. RSVP date is November 17.

US YEARBOOK - SENIORS!

There are several opportunities for seniors and their parents to contribute to the yearbook. Below is a description of these opportunities and their deadlines. We need to submit our pages to the publisher at certain intervals, so these deadlines are not flexible!

Please let us know if you have any questions. For more info - see the US Yearbook Home site.

1. MUG SHOTS: December 1st, 2014
2. SENIOR PAGES: January 10th, 2015
3. BABY PICTURES: March 1st, 2015
4. PARENT ADS: March 1st, 2015

MUG SHOTS: Sometimes students submit a studio photo to be used in place of their school photo for the yearbook. This is not required.

Sending a digital photo to me is the easiest way to submit an image, or we will scan the photo and return it to the student.

SENIOR PHOTO GUIDELINES
Head and shoulders only
COLLEGE COUNSELING

College Financial Aid Night
Monday, November 17 / 7:00-8:45pm / Great Hall
All parents are invited to this presentation on need- and merit-based financial aid with Leslie Limper, Director of Financial Aid, Reed College and Paula Sutton, Director of College Counseling, OES.

SAT/ACT Tests
Seniors, please note the following test dates and registration deadlines. Enter the school code when you register (380915) and if you are taking the ACT, it is important to include the optional writing test. There is a late registration deadline for each test date that requires an additional fee. See the testing websites for additional information.

SAT/ACT Dates and (Registration Deadline):

- **SAT Testing**
  - December 6 (late 11/24)
  - January 24 (12/29, late 1/13)

- **ACT testing**
  - December 13 (late 11/21)
  - February 7 (1/9, late 1/16)

CLASS NOTES

9th Grade PAL – Next meeting is on **January 5th** at 8am in the Drinkward Volunteer Center. Questions? Contact **Jana Reddoch**.
  - Upcoming meetings: February 2nd, April 6th, and May 4th.

10th Grade PAL – Next meeting is on **January 12th** at 8am in the Drinkward Volunteer Center. Questions? Contact **Jane Langley**.
  - Upcoming meetings: February 9th, April 13th, and May 11th.

11th Grade PAL – Next meeting is on **November 17th** at 8am in the Drinkward Volunteer Center. Contact **Kay Pinkava**.
  - Upcoming meetings: January 20th (Tuesday), February 17th (Tuesday), April 20th, and May 18th.

12th Grade PAL – Next meeting is on **November 18th** (Tuesday) at 8am in the Drinkward Volunteer Center. Questions? Contact **Jan Massaro**.
  - Upcoming meetings: January 26th, February 23rd, April 27th, and May 26th (Tuesday).

PAL meeting Calendar (all grades)