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Hello,

We would like to welcome you and your child to the OMS Online Digital Literacy class. Digital literacy is the ability to find, evaluate, utilize, share, and create content using information technologies and the Internet. This online class is meant to introduce and review important topics to help your child navigate the digital world safely and effectively. The 7th grade students will focus on the areas of Cyber bullying & Safety, Copyright, Privacy and Digital Ethics, Communication Basics, and Search and Research skills. 8th grade students will focus on Social Networking, Biographies of important Internet Pioneers, Jobs in the Digital Age, Gaming, and Tools for the Digital Age.

All students were enrolled into this course during their Group Guidance class over the last two weeks. Mrs. Johnson, our school librarian will be leading the students through the rest of the course. The entire course will be completed online using Google Classroom. This class is not meant to cause stress for your child and therefore each assignment will consist of reading a short article and then answering questions based on that article using Google Forms. Assignments will be posted on Fridays at 3:30pm and will be due the following Friday. Assignments will be due either each week or every other week depending on school activities and school vacations. The grade for this class (Pass/Incomplete) will be included on your child's Quarter 4 report card.

If you would like to receive an invitation to join the Classroom so you can receive updates about your child's progress, please email Mrs. Johnson at jjohnson@oceansideschools.org with your child's name and she will send you an invitation. If you have ANY questions or problems please contact Jeanmarie Johnson at jjohnson@oceansideschools.org or 516-678-8544.

Parents can learn more about the class by attending our Principal's Panel on Oct. 23rd at 7pm. See attached flyer.