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## TODAY IS DAY A

### BREAKFAST • LUNCH

Beef chili, vegetable chili,  
chicken tortilla soup

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 28** Coffee with Matt  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=737>)
- Mar 01** Learning Specialist Coffee Talk  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=832>)
- Mar 01** OFTA Meeting  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=754>)
- Mar 02** ParentNet Meeting - 10th & 11th  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=757>)
- Mar 03** OAC Meeting  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=748>)
- Mar 07** US Writers Symposium  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=757>)

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**Community Highlights**  
(<http://community.overlake.tandem.org>)

**Arts**  
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**Athletics**  
(<http://athletics.overlake.tandem.org/>)

**Master Calendar**  
(<http://calendar.overlake.org>)

## WEATHER

## Overlake News

### Reaffirming Overlake's Mission in Changing Times

February 3, 2017

As a result of the recent changes in policy specifically around travel and immigration Head of School, Matt



Horvat, spent time this week reaffirming Overlake's mission of fostering a compassionate community and embracing diversity.

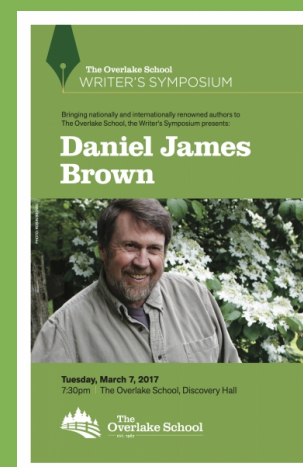
Horvat spoke at both Middle School and Upper School announcements reminding students about empathy. That's a topic not far from student's minds as the guest speaker during this year's Martin Luther King Junior assemblies, [Dr. Ruha Benjamin](http://www.ruhabenjamin.com/) (<http://www.ruhabenjamin.com/>), spoke about living empathically.

"It's really difficult, challenging work to put yourself into someone else's shoes and imagine what their experience is like," explains Horvat. "As you're going through your week, if you run across someone in our community who might be challenged by the changes in policy that's an opportunity to feel some empathy for that person. Try to walk in their shoes and show some compassion for that person."

Also this week, faculty and staff met to discuss ways the adults in our community can support our students during this time. Small group discussions were held in which faculty and staff talked about being inclusive, allowing for discussions and listening opportunities, so that everyone has a safe place to express their feelings, no matter where they fall on the spectrum of opinions.

## Writer's Symposium

Join Daniel James Brown!  
(<http://overlake.tandemcal.com/?type=view&action=event&id=>



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## Summer Program

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The week wrapped up with a speaker dedicated to developing healthy student relationships in schools. Justine Finn studies Human Development and Psychology at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

Finn led students through conversation about gender equality with presentations in our community time, club periods, lunchtime discussions, and faculty meetings. Her message is about developing the capacity of young people to engage in healthy relationships, particularly in school. A part of her focus was meeting with seniors and talking with them about developing successful relationships in college.

Finn believes that we all win when we achieve it. "We've got to get guys involved in this conversation. There is no space and place where people are not going to be engaging in intimate romantic relationships or close relationships," says Finn. She adds that many young men feel the pressure from male peers. "The risk for them is if they're too much like a girl, they're not enough like a man," says Finn. "A lot of it isn't trying to get girls to like them, but rather getting the respect of other guys in their sphere."

For young women, the danger of persuasive negative media messaging in advertising or programming stereotypes perpetuate negative attitudes. "Social media is the land of girls and boys," explains Finn. "How many 'likes' she gets or how many post responses from boys and girls directly affects how she feels in that moment about herself."

To learn more about Finn's work, go to her [website: relationshipproject.com](http://www.relationshipproject.com)  
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