

September 22, 2021

Dear Parents,

We would like to thank the many parent and grandparent volunteers who have helped us in various ways since the school year began. Mr. Hankins was instrumental in setting up the IT Touch It Screens with our facilities staff. Carla Adams, Maile Bowen, Bridget Chandlee, Kim Greenwell, Heather Hankins, Veronica Hinojosa, Meghan Johnson, Terri Ihnacik, Jamie Stark, & Jacellen Wolfe helped run the Scholastic Book Fair. Carla Adams, Archie & Maile Bowen, Blaize Bailey, Joyce Cusato, Michele Ehrmantraut, Rebecca Mathe, Veronica Hinojosa, Terri Ihnacik, & Tsion Mekonnen have helped with the hot lunch program and cleaning of the cafeteria. We greatly appreciate their hard work and dedication to our school!

All parents are welcome to volunteer in the school once they have completed all the required steps of the <u>Virtus Child Protection Program</u>.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson

Principal

# NEWS:

**SHUTTERFLY FUNDRAISER:** HSA has organized a fundraiser with Shutterfly, which sells a variety of products such as photo prints, photo books, and cards. They will donate 8% of each purchase to our school when made through our <u>school storefront</u>.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** On **Sat, Oct. 2 at 9:30am**, Fr. Ken will hold a Blessing of the Animals in honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi. All pets are welcome to receive a blessing!

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** We will have a Trunk or Treat for students on **Thu, Oct. 28** during the school day. Volunteers are needed to host trunks and donate candy. More info on signing up will be out soon.

**FALL BAZAAR:** We will be holding an outdoor Fall Bazaar on **Sat, Nov. 6 from 9am-2pm.** More info on vendor and volunteering opportunities will be out soon.

## **REMINDERS:**

**TAG DAY: Sep. 30** is a Tag Day for the Feast of the Guardian Angels. Students may wear white or light clothes for a donation of \$1 or more.

**RYKEN CHORUS:** St. Mary's Ryken High School Youth Honors Chorus is open to students in grades 5-8. Rehearsals begin on **Sep. 30** for the Dec. 3 "Countdown to Christmas" performance. Visit <u>www.smrhs.org/YHC</u> to register or for more info.

**FLU SHOTS:** Calvert County Health Dept. is offering free flu vaccinations for PK-8<sup>th</sup> graders at OLSS on **Mon, Oct. 18.** If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine, please fill out a <u>consent form online</u>, read the <u>Vaccine Information Statement</u>, and sign up at: https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/9336907129



#### BASKETBALL PROGRAM Registration is now open for OLSS School's Seahawks Basketball teams!

- Boys in grades 4-8 and girls in grades 5-8 are welcome to join.
- OLSS is a member of the Southern Maryland Youth Basketball League (SMDYBL) and plays other Catholic/ Christian school teams in Southern Maryland.
- Practices are held at gyms in Lusby & Prince Frederick and will start in mid-October.
- Please complete the registration form with today's new and submit by September 29

#### BASKETBALL T-SHIRTS & HOODIES

- Please see the flyers with today's news to order OLSS Seahawks Basketball hoodies (for team members & coaches) and t-shirts (for anyone).
- Orders can be placed through the online school store or by turning in completed forms with payment.
- Deadline for orders is Oct. 15.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### SEPTEMBER

**Sep. 30:** \$1 Tag Day **Sep. 30:** 12:30pm Dismissal

## OCTOBER

Oct. 1: No School - Fair Day Oct. 11: No School - Columbus Day Oct. 18: Flu Shots for PK-5th Oct. 21: Lifetouch Portraits Retakes Oct. 28: End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Oct. 28: Halloween Tag Day Oct. 28: Trunk or Treat Oct. 29: No School