



October 4, 2023

Dear OLSS Families,

We are looking forward to celebrating Grandparents/Special Friends Day on Friday and are expecting approximately 180 guests. Due to this number, we regret that we cannot accommodate parents at this event, although parents are welcome to come to the Mass. Please share this info with those who will be visiting:

## GRANDPARENTS DAY FRIDAY, OCT. 6, 9:00-11:30am

- Grandparents should arrive between 8:30-8:50am, parking in the school parking lot or waterfront spaces, and go directly to the Parish Church for Mass.
- The school building will be closed while students/staff are at Mass and will not be open until 9:45am.
- Grandparents may sit with their grandchildren and their classes during Mass.
- After Mass, grandparents will go to the Providence Room for brunch from 10:00-10:45/11am.
- At 10:45/11am, grandparents will go to their grandchildren's classrooms to visit. If they have more than one grandchild, they can visit for 10-15 minutes in each classroom.
- Grandparents Day will end promptly at 11:30am so that the parking lot is emptied for the afternoon car line.



Grace and Peace,  
*Mrs. Jennifer Thompson*  
Principal

## NEW & REMINDERS:

**FLU VACCINES:** The optional flu clinic for students is tomorrow; **Thu, Oct. 5**. Required forms must be completed and sent to the School Office for children to participate.

**FRIDAY: This Friday, Oct. 6 is a 12:30pm dismissal.**

**OCT. 9:** There is no school on **Mon, Oct. 9** for Columbus & Indigenous Peoples Day.

**BASKETBALL:** Basketball practices start the week of Oct.17. If you did not receive the email with info from our Athletic Director, Mrs. Nehf, please email her at [4nehf@comcast.net](mailto:4nehf@comcast.net). **All required forms must be completed and turned in to the School Office or to Mrs. Nehf before players can participate.**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL:** St. John's School in Hollywood is hosting a Fall Fun Middle School Social on **Fri, Oct. 13** for local Catholic school middle school students. Please see the [flyer](#) and required permission form with today's news and note, this is NOT a Halloween costume party.

**UNIFORMS:** Winter uniforms start on **Mon, Oct. 16**. Please read the [Parent/Student Handbook](#) for proper uniform code. Belts must be worn with uniform pants. Students may wear a navy crewneck, navy cardigan, or OLSS PE sweatshirt over their uniform.

**SPIRIT NIGHT:** Roy Rogers is hosting a Spirit Night for us on **Mon, Oct. 16 from 5-8pm**. Present the [flyer](#) or mention OLSS when checking out and Roy Rogers will donate 25% of the cost of your purchase to our school.

**FIRE DEPT VISIT:** On **Fri, Oct. 20**, Solomons Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad will visit OLSS to discuss fire safety and their roles in the community with our students. We will host a "Breakfast for Badges" for them to thank them for their service.

**OCT. 26/27: Thu, Oct. 26** is a 12:30pm dismissal, and there is no school on **Fri, Oct. 27** for ADW's Teacher Collaboration Day.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** Our HSA is hosting a [Trunk or Treat](#) at OLSS on **Fri, Oct. 27 from 5:30-7:00pm**, and are in need of volunteers to host trunks and donate candy. Please sign up [here](#). OLSS 8th graders will also be showing a movie with popcorn in the Providence Room.

## NEWS & REMINDERS, CONTINUED:

**TAG DAY: Tue, Oct. 31** is a \$1 Halloween Tag Day. Students may wear Halloween or orange/black clothing that is appropriate for school, following Tag Day guidelines from the Parent/Student Handbook.

**ALL SAINTS DAY:** We will celebrate All Saints Day on **Wed, Nov. 1**. Students may wear Saint costumes to school over their school uniforms for a Parade of Saints.

**PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES:** Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on **Wed, Nov. 8 from 3-8pm**, and on **Thu, Nov. 9 from 8am-3pm**. Scheduling info will be sent out soon.

**90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SHIRTS:** OLSS 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary shirts will arrive later this month and will be sent home with students who have already placed orders for them. Purchases may be made through our [online store](#).

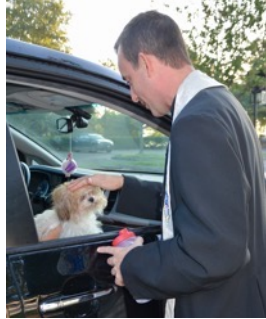
**ADW TUITION ASSISTANCE:** The ADW is accepting applications for their Tuition Assistance Program for the 2024-25 school year through Feb. 16, 2024. Please see our [Tuition Info webpage](#) for more info.

**FUNDRAISER:** HSA's [Charleston Wrap](#) fundraiser runs through Oct. 23.

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Many of our school families' pets received blessings from Father Bob in the car line this morning, to honor the

Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, Patron Saint of Animals!



### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Please visit the [Volunteer Opportunities Webpage](#) for more info & to sign up.

#### OCTOBER

- Daily Lunch Help
- Grandparents Day - Friday, Oct. 6
- Trunk or Treat - Friday, Oct. 27

#### NOVEMBER

- Daily Lunch Help
- Christmas Bazaar – Nov. 18

#### DECEMBER

- Daily Lunch Help
- Santa Shop - Dec. 3-6
- Chili Cook-Off & Celebration - Dec. 9

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

#### OCTOBER

- ★ Oct. 5: Flu Clinic (optional)
- ★ Oct. 6: Grandparents Day / 12:30pm Dismissal
- ★ Oct. 9: No School - Columbus Day
- ★ Oct. 12: PK-K-1-2 Field TripZ
- ★ Oct. 14: Deadline for [Basketball Orders](#)
- ★ Oct. 16: Fall/Winter Uniforms Begin
- ★ Oct. 16, 5-8pm: Roy Rogers Spirit Night
- ★ Oct. 20: Solomons Fire Dept. Visit
- ★ Oct. 23: Legacy Studios Portrait Retakes
- ★ Oct. 25: Deadline to Order [Polos](#) & [Hoodies](#)
- ★ Oct. 26: 12:30pm Dismissal
- ★ Oct. 27: No School - Collaboration Day
- ★ Oct. 27, 5:30-7pm: [Trunk or Treat](#)
- ★ Oct. 31: Halloween Tag Day

#### NOVEMBER

- 🍂 Nov. 1: All Saints Day
- 🍂 Nov. 6: Wear Kindness Shirt
- 🍂 Nov. 8, 3-8pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 🍂 Nov. 9: No School | Parent Teacher Conferences
- 🍂 Nov. 10: No School - Veterans Day
- 🍂 Nov. 18, 9am-2pm: [Christmas Bazaar](#)
- 🍂 Nov. 21: Turkey Trot | 12:30pm Dismissal
- 🍂 Nov. 22-24: Thanksgiving Break