OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

Newsletter: October 3, 2018

Dear Parents and Guardians.

We had a wonderful 85th Anniversary celebration for our school last week! During Mass, students placed flowers around a Mary statue to honor our school's Patroness. Afterwards, we celebrated with cake in the Providence Room. This is a special year for our school, and we look forward to what the next 85+ years will bring for us!









NEWS:

New Baby: Congratulations to the Carr family on the birth of their daughter, Regina! Ricky in Pre-K is now a big brother of two!

Winter Uniforms: Mon, Oct. 15 will be the start of Winter Uniforms (extended from Oct. 1). Uniform shorts may not be worn after this date, but gym shorts may be worn on PE day through the end of October.

PE Uniform Items: We are currently out of stock in some sizes of PE sweatshirts and sweatpants, but the next order from CustomInk will arrive early next week.

Anniversary T's: We will be placing another order for School Anniversary T-shirts. If you would like to order one, please fill out the online form with the link with today's news.

PRAD: We need volunteers for the OLSS Sand Art Table at PRAD this weekend, Oct. 6-7, in two-hour shifts from 10am-5pm. Virtus training is not required. Please sign up online if you can help.

PRAD Parade: On Sun, Oct. 7, at 2pm, there will be a parade at the PRAD Festival. We would like to have as many of our students as possible participate in the Parade to represent our school. Please see the flyer with today's news to sign up.

Fatima Statue: On Tue, Oct. 16, the Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be available for viewing and veneration during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9am-9pm in the Historic Church.

Grandparents' Day: Grandparents Day will be held on Thu, Oct. 25. Info and invitations will be sent out with next week's news. It is a 12:30pm dismissal day. Students may be signed out with their grandparents.

Trunk or Treat: On Sun, Oct. 28, 2-4pm, we will host our first "Trunk or Treat" in our parking lot. This is a free family event for children to trick-or-treat. Please see the form with today's news on how to participate in this fun event!

REMINDERS:

<u>Fire Dept. Visit</u>: The Solomons Fire & Rescue Squad will visit our PK-2nd graders on **Oct. 11**.

<u>Virtus Training</u>: OLSS will hold a Virtus Live Training on **Thu**, **Oct. 11 at 6pm**. There is also a Live Training on **Mon**, **Oct. 22**, **at 6pm** at St. John's in Hollywood. Pre-registration is required.

Blessing of the Animals: On Sun, Oct. 14 at 1pm, Fr. Mike will hold a "Blessing of the Animals" on the Historic Church lawn.

<u>Polos</u>: We will be placing an order for OLSS polo shirts in adult sizes; the order deadline is **Oct. 14**.

<u>Basketball Orders</u>: All Seahawks Basketball tshirt & hoodie forms are due to the School Office by **Oct 15**.

<u>Flu Clinic</u>: Calvert County Health Dept. is offering free flu vaccination shots (no mists) for PK-5th grade students on site on **Thu, Oct. 18**, at 8:30am. Booster shots will be offered **Mon, Dec. 10 at 1pm**. Info and forms are in today's yellow folders.

<u>Auditions</u>: OLSS will be hosting auditions for "Southern Maryland's Got Talent" fundraising event for SMCR on **Sat, Oct. 20, 1-3 pm**. Please see the flyer with the Sept. 12 news for more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER:

Oct. 6-7: OLSS Sand Art Table at PRAD

Oct. 7, 2pm: PRAD Parade Oct. 10: 12:30pm Dismissal

Oct. 11: Solomons Fire & Rescue Visit PK-2nd

Oct. 11, 6pm: Virtus Training at OLSS

Oct. 14, 1pm: Blessing of the Animals

Oct. 16: Lifetouch Portraits Retakes

Oct. 16: PK, K, 1^{st} , & 2^{nd} Field Trip

Oct. 17, 5-8pm: Spirit Night at Moe's

Oct. 25: Grandparents Day

Oct. 25: 12:30pm Dismissal

Oct. 26: No School – Professional Development

Oct. 28, 2-4pm: Trunk or Treat

Oct. 29: 3rd, 4th, 5th Field Trip to Annapolis

Oct. 30: End of 1st Quarter

Oct. 31: \$1 Halloween Tag Day



Our Claire's Gourmet fundraiser has kicked off! Claire's Gourmet sells frozen pizzas, snacks, desserts, cookie dough, and more. Info packs are in today's yellow folders.



The Claire's Gourmet Challenge for OLSS is to sell 500 items as a school. This will beat last years record of 439 items. If every student sells 5 items we can reach our goal quickly! We can do this!

FUNDRAISER DATES:

- Oct. 2: Sales start
- Oct. 26: Deadline for orders (originally Oct. 17)
- Nov. 7: Orders delivered to OLSS (orders may also be shipped directly to another address)

INCENTIVES:

- Top Seller gets \$100 Tuition Credit (must sell 30 items)
- Drawing for \$200 Tuition Credit; earn 1 chance for every 10 items sold
- Students who sell 15+ items receive a free dress down day for self & siblings

2019-20 ARCHDIOCESE OF WASHINGTON TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Archdiocesan of Washington Tuition
Assistance Program is available for students
applying to or enrolled in Catholic Schools within
the Archdiocese of Washington. The application
period for the 2019-20 Tuition Assistance Program
is Oct. 1 – Dec. 1, 2018.

Tuition assistance is based on financial need. Families must apply each year to receive assistance. We encourage all families to apply.

Please use the link on the school website to apply. The deadline for applications is Dec. 1, 2018.



FROG IT CHALLENGE

Read about Mary and share a fun fact about Our Lady.

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch
Mrs. Mary Bartsch

Principal