



March 13, 2024

Dear OLSS Families,

This past Sunday was Laetare Sunday, the fourth Sunday of Lent. This observance is marked by a shift in tone from the penitential nature of Lent towards a more joyful and hopeful atmosphere. Laetare Sunday is often seen as a brief respite during the solemn season of Lent, allowing us to anticipate the joy of Easter. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday – the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy.

Grace and Peace,  
*Mrs. Jennifer Thompson*  
Principal

**NEWS & REMINDERS:**

**TAG DAY:** Fri, Mar. 15 is a \$1 St. Patrick's Day Tag Day, following Tag Day Dress Code regulations found in the [Parent/Student Handbook](#).

**SCHOOL STORE:** Student Council's school store is open on Thursday mornings between 7:30-7:50am, selling school supplies such as pencils, pens, and paper. If your child would like to purchase any items, please send cash.

**ROCK YOUR SOCKS:** On Thu, Mar. 21 we will celebrate Rock Your Socks for World Down Syndrome Day by having students wear bright, fun socks with their school uniform.

**LAST SUPPER RE-ENACTMENT:** Middle School will present a re-enactment of the Last Supper on Tue, Mar. 26; time to be announced. Parents are welcome to attend.

**EASTER EGGS:** We will have an Easter Egg Hunt for all grades on Wed, Mar. 27 and would appreciate donations of candy for the eggs. Every \$30 spent = 1 Volunteer Service Hour. Please send candy in by March 25.

**EASTER BREAK:** Wed, Mar. 27 is a 12:30pm dismissal, and there is no school Mar. 28-Apr. 5 for Easter Break.

**APRIL 19:** Due to an expected high volume of traffic in Solomons for the Tiki Bar opening day, April 19 has changed from a 12:30pm dismissal to no school.

**BOOST SCHOLARSHIPS:** [MSDE's BOOST Program](#) awards scholarships for low-income students to attend participating nonpublic schools. The application deadline is May 3.

**PALM SUNDAY FUNDRAISERS:** Please consider donating a themed basket or bake sale items for volunteer service hours for the Palm Sunday fundraisers. Sign up to donate baskets [here](#) and bake sale items [here](#).

**VBS:** We are hosting Vacation Bible School from June 24-28 for children aged 3-12; please see the [flyer](#) with today's news.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**MARCH**

- ✿ Mar. 15: St. Patrick's Day Tag Day
- ✿ Mar. 18: Wear 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shirt
- ✿ Mar. 21: Rock Your Socks Day
- ✿ Mar. 23-24: Palm Sunday Bake Sale
- ✿ Mar. 23-24: Palm Sunday Basket Auction
- ✿ Mar. 25: Wear 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shirt
- ✿ Mar. 26: End of 3rd Quarter
- ✿ Mar. 26: Last Supper Re-Enactment
- ✿ Mar. 27: Easter Egg Hunt
- ✿ Mar. 27: 12:30pm Dismissal
- ✿ Mar. 28 - Apr. 5: No School - Easter Break

**APRIL**

- ☀ Apr. 1-5: No School - Easter Break
- ☀ Apr. 8: Wear Kindness Shirt
- ☀ Apr. 15: \$1 Purple Up! Tag Day
- ☀ Apr. 19: No School – Solomons Event
- ☀ Apr. 19: [Seahawk Scramble Golf Event](#)
- ☀ April 22: Wear 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Shirt
- ☀ Apr. 29: No School – Professional Develop.