



Our Lady Star of the Sea School

An Island of Learning... A Sea of Faith

Newsletter: October 12, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

October is a time of great learning for our students. It is also a time to prepare for the many events coming up at our school over the next couple months. We are always in need of volunteers to make our school events and fundraisers successful. Please sign up to volunteer whenever you are able. Not only do you earn volunteer hours, but you also get to be involved with our wonderful school community!



**FAMILY
MOVIE
NIGHT**

**This Fri, Oct. 14,
at 6:30pm!**

Students are
welcome to bring
family & friends
with them!

Pizza, popcorn, &
baked goods will
be available for
purchase.

Baked goods are
needed for the
Bake Sale table; this
an easy way to earn
volunteer hours!

NEWS:

Lifetouch Retakes: Lifetouch will take retake portraits on **Tue, Oct. 18** (not Oct. 20, as stated in previously). If you would like your child to retake, please send their original portrait package with them.

Last Call for Orders: This **Fri, Oct. 14** is the deadline for ordering OLSS adult polo shirts, Basketball Hoodies, and Basketball T-shirts. **No orders will be accepted after Oct. 14.**

Grandparents/Special Friends Day: On **Mon, Oct. 24**, we will start the day with Mass at 9:00am, followed by brunch and entertainment, and then classroom visits. Please RSVP by **Oct. 18.**



All Saints Day: We will celebrate All Saints Day on **Tue, Nov. 1.** Mass will be at 8:15am in the Parish Church, followed by the Parade of Saints through the parking lot. Students may wear Saint costumes to school, or change out of them, or may bring a poster of a Saint.

Open House: We will host an Open House on **Thu, Nov. 3** from **9-11am.** Please encourage interested family & friends to visit! We also need volunteers to help give tours of the school.

Thanksgiving Feast: Please join us for our Family Thanksgiving Feast on **Wed, Nov. 16!** Forms are included with today's news, and must be turned in by **Nov. 1.** We need many volunteers for this event.

Turkey Trot: Our 7th Annual Turkey Trot fundraiser will be held on **Tue, Nov. 22.** Students walk and jog along with Solomons boardwalk to raise money for our school. More info will be out soon.

THANK YOU:

Thank you to Jessica Klasko for organizing our first Sweet Frog Spirit Night last week, and to all who helped out. We appreciate the support from all who participated; \$211 was raised for our school!



Thank you to the DiBonaventuro family for braving the rainy, windy weather to host the OLSS Sand Art table at the PRAD festival this past weekend, and to those who helped out to promote our school.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES:

There is no school on **Fri, Nov. 11** for K-8th grade Parent/Teacher Conferences. 1st quarter report cards will be given to parents/guardians at their conference. **To schedule your conference:**

- 1) Go to the Conference Schedule *webpage: www.olss.org/conferences.html
- 2) Fill out the online form with your requested time choice for one 15-min conference

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- The Conference page will be continually updated as requests are received.
 - Middle school parents will meet with their child's homeroom teacher. If you would also like to meet with the other middle school teachers, please specify this in the "Comments" box.
 - Pre-K parents who are interested in scheduling a conference should contact Mrs. Wagner directly.

* There is no public link to this website



Our service project for Birthright will be collecting donations of the following items **through this Fri, Oct. 14.** Thank you for your support!

- ✦ Diapers (newborn - size 3)
- ✦ New diaper bags
- ✦ Baby wipes, wash, shampoo, lotion, diaper cream
- ✦ Similac Formula
- ✦ New baby bottles
- ✦ Baby food (stage 1 and 2)
- ✦ New/gently used infant clothes (0-2T) & blankets
- ✦ Crib sheets
- ✦ Monetary donations



Oct. 15 is the deadline for orders for our Claire's Gourmet fundraiser!

Friends & family can place orders online; please see our school website for info. Orders will be delivered to OLSS on Nov. 8, or may also be shipped directly to another address.

- Our top seller gets a \$100 tuition credit (must sell at least 30 items)
- For every 10 items you sell, your name will be put in for a drawing prize of a \$200 tuition credit
- Students who sell 10 items earn a dress-down day



UPCOMING BASKETBALL PRACTICES:

- Wed, Oct. 12, 5-7pm: JVB/VB/VG at St. John Vianney
 - Thu, Oct. 13, 4-5:30pm: JVG at St. Pauls
 - Fri, Oct. 14, 4-6pm: JVB/VB at St. Pauls
 - Fri, Oct. 14, 6-8pm: VG at St. Pauls
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- Mon, Oct. 17, 4-6pm: JVB/VB at St Pauls
 - Tue, Oct. 18, 4-5:30pm: JVG at St. Pauls
 - Wed, Oct. 19, 5-7pm: JVB/VB/VG at St. John Vianney
 - Thu, Oct. 20, 4-5:30pm: JVG at St. Pauls
 - Fri, Oct. 21, 4-6pm: VG at St. Pauls

REMINDERS:

Cupcakes for Life: OLSS's Youth Group will decorate cupcakes on **Fri, Oct. 14, 4-5pm.** Elementary students are invited to join them!

Flu Clinic: Calvert County Health Dept. is offering free flu vaccinations at OLSS for PK-5th grade students on **Fri, Oct. 28, at 9am.**

October Tag Day: **Mon, Oct. 31** will be a \$1 orange-and black-themed Halloween Tag Day.

Bull & Oyster Roast: This fundraiser will be held at Vera's Restaurant on **Sat, Nov. 5, from 12-8pm.** Tickets are available from School or Parish Offices.

FROG Full Rely on God



FROG IT CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK:

Our students are given a FROG IT challenge every week to help them spread God's word. This week's Challenge is to say "Thank you" to everyone and everything you're thankful for. This shows kindness, respect, & gratitude.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

OLSS's 7th Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on **Sat, Nov. 19** from **9am-2pm**, featuring over 50 local crafters & vendors. This is a great opportunity to purchase unique gifts, and support local artists! There will also be a Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Yard Sale, Raffle, and concessions.

Many volunteers are needed, & Virtus certification is not required. Please visit the "Volunteer Opps" page of the school website to sign up to help!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER:

- **Oct. 14, 6:30pm:** HSA Movie Night
- **Oct. 17:** KoC Living Rosary
- **Oct. 18:** Lifetouch Portraits Make-Up Day
- **Oct. 21:** PK, K, 1st, & 2nd grades Field Trip
- **Oct. 24:** Grandparents Day/12:30 dismissal
- **Oct. 28:** Flu Clinic for PK-5th grades
- **Oct. 28:** 12:30pm dismissal
- **Oct. 31:** Halloween Tag Day

NOVEMBER:

- **Nov. 1:** All Saints Day Celebration
- **Nov. 3, 9-11am:** Open House
- **Nov. 5, 12-8pm:** Bull & Oyster Roast
- **Nov. 11:** No School - Conferences
- **Nov. 16, 11:30am:** Family Thanksgiving Feast
- **Nov. 19, 9am-2pm:** Christmas Bazaar
- **Nov. 22:** Turkey Trot Fundraiser
- **Nov. 22:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- **Nov. 23-25:** No School - Thanksgiving Break

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch
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