



Our Lady Star of the Sea School

An Island of Learning... A Sea of Faith

Newsletter: October 19, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I would like to thank everyone for their generous donations to last week's school service project for Birthright Pregnancy Support Center in Prince Frederick. They are extremely grateful for all the donated items that will help mothers and babies. I was also proud of our 5th grade students, who happily helped carry out and load all the donations into the car.



GRANDPARENTS/ SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY is Mon, Oct. 24

We will start the day with Mass at 9:00am, followed by brunch & entertainment, then classroom visits.

- Please RSVP by Oct. 20
- Transportation Permission forms must be turned in if your child will leave school with grandparents or special friends
- We need food items for the brunch - please sign up to send in a dish (homemade or store-bought) through the "Volunteer Opps" page

NEWS :

Clean Up Day: We are having a Parish & School Clean-Up day this **Sat, Oct. 22** from **9am-12pm**. Please come help out if you can!

Early Dismissals & Aftercare: There are two 12:30pm dismissal days next week:

- 1) Mon, Oct. 24: Aftercare will be available
- 2) Fri, Oct. 28: Aftercare will not be available

Turkey Trot: Our 7th Annual Turkey Trot will be held on **Tue, Nov. 22**. Students walk & jog on the Solomons boardwalk to raise money for our school. Donation & permission forms are in today's yellow folders.

Middle School Lunch: On **Tue, Nov. 22**, middle school will hold a "Fruits of the Holy Spirit" potluck luncheon together. Please see the flyer with today's news for more info.

Gift Cards: The gift card program is a great fundraiser for our school. To order, simply fill out the order form with today's news, & send it to the School Office with payment. Your order will be filled and sent home with your child.

REMINDERS :

Flu Clinic: Calvert Health Dept.'s free flu vaccinations for PK-5th grade students at OLSS is **Fri, Oct. 28, at 9am**. Signed permission forms must be turned in by this day.

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

All Saints Day: We will celebrate All Saints Day on **Tue, Nov. 1** with Mass at 8:15am (Parish Church), followed by the Parade of Saints. 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 greet visitors and give tours.

Family Thanksgiving Feast: RSVP forms for the Family Thanksgiving Feast on **Wed, Nov. 16** must be turned in **by Nov. 1**. We need many volunteers to help with preparation, set-up, serving, and clean up. Please sign up to help if you can!



Parent-Teacher Conferences

**There is no school on
Fri, Nov. 11 for K-8th
grade Parent-
Teacher Conferences.**

To schedule your conference:

- 1) Go to the Conference Schedule webpage:
www.olsss.org/conferences.html
 - 2) Fill out the online form with your requested time choice for one 15-min conference
- The Conference page will be continually updated as requests are received.
 - 1st quarter report cards will be given to parents/guardians at their conference.

OLSS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Sat, Nov. 19, 9am-2pm

The Christmas Bazaar will feature over 50 local crafters, vendors, and artists, as well as Silent Auctions, Visits with Santa, a Bake Sale, Yard Sale, Raffle, and concessions.

Granny's Basement: We are grateful for any gently used items that you can donate for the Yard Sale at the Bazaar. Items may be dropped off in the Chesapeake Room from Nov. 11-17.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of volunteers for numerous positions at the Bazaar. Virtus certification is not required. We would also appreciate baked good donations for the Bake Sale table.

THANK YOU:

Thank you to our HSA Committee for the fun Movie Night last Friday! Our school families enjoyed watching "Hotel Transylvania 2" together. Thanks to all who donated baked goods as well.

The Claire's Gourmet fundraiser was very successful for our school! Many thanks to Connie Gott for organizing it, and to all our families who participated.

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 look up a action hero in the Bible, and talk about how this Hero helped spread God's word.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER:

- 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

HALLOWEEN RAFFLE

The 8th grade is hosting a Halloween raffle to support their graduation fund. The winner will receive a haul of Halloween goodies, including candy, toys, a gift card, and more. Please see the display by the School Office.

Tickets are 25¢/each or five for \$1.



BULL & OYSTER ROAST

Saturday, Nov. 5th, *12:00-8:00pm
Vera's Restaurant, Lusby

MENU:

- Raw, fried, & steamed oysters
 - Oysters Rockefeller
 - Oysters Provencal
- BBQ Bacon & Cheddar Oysters
 - Oyster stew
 - Roast beef
 - And many sides

TICKETS:

\$25 in advance / \$30 at door
\$10 for children 12 and under

*Tickets are sold for the following seating times; please select a time when purchasing tickets:

12:00-2:00pm

3:00-5:00pm

6:00-8:00pm

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch
OLSS School Principal