



Our Lady Star of the Sea School

An Island of Learning... A Sea of Faith

Newsletter: March 14, 2018

Dear OLSS Families,

Congratulations to the OLSS Vex Robotics team, who competed in the Maryland State Middle School VEX Robotics Competition last weekend. They went undefeated in the qualification matches and made it all the way to the finals, finishing in 2nd place! They had a great season, made many improvements to their robot over the year, and learned a lot about robotics and programming.



I would like to thank our Robotics coaches Jim Moore, and his son Jimmy Moore, for all their time and hard work coaching the team throughout the year. Congratulations Robohawks on a great season!

NEWS :

Tag Day: Tomorrow - Thu, Mar. 15 is a \$1 Tag Day with green clothing for St. Patrick's Day. 

No School: There is no school this Fri, Mar. 16.

Candy Needed: Lower grades will have an Easter Egg Hunt on Fri, Mar. 23. We are requesting donations of small candy to fit in plastic Easter Eggs. Please send candy in to the Office by Mar. 21.

Last Supper: On Mon, Mar. 26 at 8:45am, our middle schools grades will perform "The Last Supper" reenactment. Family members are welcome.

D.A.R.E.: 5th grade will participate in the Drug Awareness & Resistance Education Program with Calvert County Sheriff's Office from April 9-23.

Paint & Wine: We will have a Paint & Wine fundraiser on Fri, Apr. 20 from 7-9pm; please see the flyer with today's news.

LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT

Our school Lenten Service Project is making "Blessing Bags" for those in need at Project Echo Homeless Shelter in Prince Frederick. If you are able to participate, please send in donation items by Mar. 23.

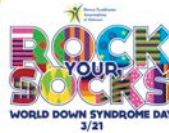
- PK: Coloring Books
- Kindergarten: Pencils
- 1st Grade: 8-pack of crayons
- 2nd Grade: Granola or protein bars
- 3rd Grade: Pens
- 4th Grade: Playing Cards
- 5th Grade: Crossword/WordSeek Books
- 6th, 7th, 8th Grades: Razors (Men's & Women's)



REMINDERS :

Spirit Night: Join us for Spirit Night at Moe's tonight from 5-8pm! Please bring the flyer with you.

ADW Band Festival: The 56th Annual Archdiocesan Music Festival is this Sun, Mar. 18 at Bishop McNamara School in Forestville. OLSS students should report there by 11:30am.



Rock Your Socks: We will celebrate World Down Syndrome Day on Mar. 21 by having our students Rock Your Socks; wear their school uniform with their brightest, most fun socks that day.

Afterschool Arts & Crafts: The next Afterschool Arts & Crafts Workshop is Wed, Mar. 21, 3-4pm for PK-5th Graders to make sock bunnies for Easter.

Byzantine Art Club: There is still space available in the Byzantine Art Club, which meets after school on Mondays in March and April to make Psalters. Please see the info & form with the Feb. 21 news.

Math-a-thon: Extra Funbooks are available for the St. Jude's Math-a-Thon from the School Office.

Open House: We will host an Open House on Fri, Mar. 23, 8:30-10:30am.

Stations Silhouette Skit: Youth Group will perform Stations of the Cross in Silhouette on Fri, Mar 23 at 7pm in the Historic Church.

Lent Specials: Boomerangs has Spirit Days on Fridays during Lent. Mention OLSS when ordering, and 15% of your purchase will benefit our school.

Spring Bazaar: Our Spring Bazaar is Sat, Apr. 28 from 9am-2pm with crafters, vendors, concessions, a bake sale, and a yard sale.

CASCARONES

Señora Dawn is looking for volunteers to make cascarones (egg shells filled with confetti or bird seed) for Spanish classes. Every dozen made will earn 3 Volunteer Service Hours! Please see the letter with last week's news for more info. Cascarones are due **by Mar. 26**.

Students will crack open the cascarones after Easter Break. This activity is a Mexican tradition that involves people cracking eggs on the head of a friend or family member to wish them person good luck.



Please see the 2017-2018 OLSS Basketball End of the Season Newsletter with today's news.



Congratulations to Hayden P, who received the Gladys Nehf Award of Excellence for his leadership, academics, sportsmanship, teamwork, & Christian values!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MARCH

- Mar. 14, 5-8pm: Moe's Spirit Night
- Mar. 15: \$1 St. Patrick's Day Tag Day
- Mar. 16: No School - Professional Development
- Mar. 18: ADW Band Festival
- Mar. 21: End of 3rd Quarter
- Mar. 21: Rock Your Socks for Down Syndrome Day
- Mar. 21, 3-4pm: Afterschool Arts & Crafts Workshop
- Mar. 23, 8:30-10:30am: Open House
- Mar. 23: Maryland Day
- Mar. 23, 7pm: Stations of the Cross Silhouette Skit
- Mar. 24-25: Palm Sunday Fundraisers
- Mar. 26: Last Supper Reenactment
- Mar. 28: 12:30pm Dismissal | No Aftercare
- Mar. 29-Apr. 6: No School - Easter Break

APRIL

- Apr. 9: School Resumes
- Apr. 20, 7-9pm: Paint & Wine Fundraiser
- Apr. 23: World Book Day Celebration
- Apr. 25: Volunteer Appreciation
- Apr. 27: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Apr. 28: Spring Bazaar

PALM SUNDAY FUNDRAISERS:

Our Palm Sunday Basket Auction & Bake Sale will be held after Masses **March 24-25**.

We are in need of donations of themed baskets or baked goods for this event.

It is a great fundraiser for the school, and an opportunity to earn Volunteer Hours. Please see the flyer on the school website from the Feb. 21 news for more details.

OLSS HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

HOLY THURSDAY, March 29

- 7pm Mass, followed by Adoration

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30

- 12pm: Stations of the Cross
- 1-3pm: Confessions
- 7pm: Communion Service

HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL, March 30

- 8pm: Easter Vigil Mass (no 4pm Mass)

EASTER SUNDAY:

- 8am & 10:45am Masses



MONDAY
APRIL 23

WORLD BOOK DAY

Bring your favorite book character to life!
More info coming soon!

DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER

F.R.O.G.
Fully Rely On God



FROG IT CHALLENGE

Why do you think Jesus says he is "the resurrection and the life"?

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch

Mrs. Mary Bartsch, Principal