

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

2nd Quarter Student Council Newsletter

PRE-K

OLSS's Pre-K class has been continuing to work on the letters of the alphabet and reading different books. They have been learning about authors, illustrators, and how stories are sequenced. Pre-K has also been learning about animals and what they do in winter. They have been learning some big words like "hibernation"! The Pre-K class has been working on different seasons, experiments on blubber, and even cooking using their measuring skills. In other important matters, Pre-K has been learning about how people are the same, and how they are different. They are continuing to progress in their academics and are surprising everyone with their amazing skills and talents!

- Robyn Strauss, Pre-K Rep



3rd GRADE

In 3rd grade Social Studies, they learning about pioneers going west, and how the railroads were made. In Reading, they have gotten stickers for reading harder books. In Math they have learned multiplication and division, and made math snowmen. They are able to do 10 math problems in 4 minutes! For Bay Studies, they went for a walk outside and picked up trash to conserve our environment.

- Nick Worch, 3rd Grade Rep

4th GRADE

In 4th grade, we are experimenting with bananas. The class has been making a guess on how long we think it will take for the bananas to liquefy. There is yeast in the bag with them. We are about to read about Harriet Tubman for Black History Month, and will do book reports about her. We continue to work on our multiplication tables to earn ice cream scoops. Our final reward... an ice cream cone! We are celebrating Valentine's Day soon, yippee!

- Mia Plakos, 4th Grade Rep



KINDERGARTEN

This quarter has been a blast! The year is going by so fast. The Kindergarten is so talented with all of their performances in the Christmas Concert and Talent Show. Their hard work on prayers and in math really shows. The amount of knowledge they have is amazing! The 2nd quarter has been fun, but they are glad it's not the last one. We'll learn even more next quarter, while the time gets shorter.

- Adryan Herron, Kindergarten Rep



1st GRADE

1st grade learned about prayers and what they mean in Religion class. In their Math class, they are adding 2 to odd and even numbers. Also in Reading, they just finished the long vowels in Unit 3. In Social Studies, they're learning about rules, laws, and communities. In Science, they will study animals and their different traits and groups. They have been involved with their buddies, doing holiday activities together. Keep it up, 1st grade!

$$2+2=4$$

- Nyla Christiani, 1st Grade Rep

5th GRADE

The 2nd quarter in 5th grade was exciting! We learned about the Lakota Winter Counts when we studied Early Native Americans. We even created our own Winter Count calendars. In Science, we learned about dominant and recessive traits. We had some awesome book reports turned in. We had 100% participation in the Science Fair & saw amazing projects. We have started off the 3rd quarter by learning about the Presidential Inauguration and its history. In Math we are learning about "My Dear Aunt Sally" and the order of operations. Our class is reading the novel "Hidden Figures" to celebrate Black History Month. We had a blast during Catholic Schools Week. The 5th grade is looking forward to the the 3rd quarter and all we will learn.

- Alina Sweeney, 5th Grade Rep



2nd GRADE

In 2nd grade, they have been naming fractional parts of a set in Math. Now they are working on reading a story, then how to summarize what they have just read. In Religion, they will go to church to view the confessional as they prepare for their first reconciliations.

- Bella Shewell, 2nd Grade Rep



6th GRADE

6th grade had the best 2nd quarter! In Math, we learned algebraic expressions. In Social Studies, we learned the history of Mesopotamia and its leaders, and did all kinds of different ziggurat projects. In Science, we worked on our Science Fair projects. In Reading, we have done two book reports. We also went to the Youth Rally & Mass for Life in DC!

- Maggie Muldoon, 6th Grade Rep

7th GRADE

7th grade learned many new concepts in Math, Science, and Social Studies. Some of the more memorable activities we accomplished were making travel brochures for ancient city-states of Mesopotamia, building temples called ziggurats, and working really hard on our Science Fair projects. We are looking forward to learning about ancient Egypt and China in the 3rd quarter.

-Cole Wheelley, 7th Grade Rep

8th GRADE

The 8th grade has been very busy this quarter. We have been learning about the colonies of North America in Social Studies, linear and quadratic equations in Math, and the periodic table in Science. We collected items for a family in need this past Advent, and also have been raising money for the 8th grade graduation fund. We went to the Youth Rally and Mass for Life and had tons of fun, and stood "Up 4 Life". We are hoping for the best in the 3rd quarter. Go Seahawks!

- Joe Oster, 8th Grade Rep



MASS & ASSEMBLIES

Nothing has really changed with Mass & Assemblies, except we have a new member, Austin. We continue to set up for Morning Prayer & Masses.

- Joe Oster & Damian Richardson

SAFETY PATROL

Safety Patrol has had a safe quarter. The students get into their cars safely. We ask the parents to stay in their cars and turn their engines off while students are loading. The kids' safety is our priority.

- Julia Kleponis & Anastasia Stump



RECYCLING COMMITTEE



The Recycling Committee would like to remind everyone to continue recycling. On many occasions, the weekly paper collection basket has been overflowing. This represents about a 150% increase in paper recycling! We also encourage you to try to find ways to reuse paper and other items. Use the front and back side of your paper, and if your house is heated by a wood fire, you could make paper logs to burn. We applaud the school for its progress in recycling and eliminating waste.

- Johnny Gott & Peyton Dziekiewicz



YEARBOOK & PHOTOGRAPHY

We have been taking pictures at all the events around school, especially at Christmas time, like the class parties and Christmas program. During Catholic Schools Week, we took pictures of our guest speakers, 8th grade teacher day, and Bay Studies presentation. Make sure to tell us when you have events in your classroom, so we can take pictures.

- Olivia Hammer & Ellee Ward

MISSIONS & CHARITIES

We have had Tag Days about once a month. For our last one, we all dressed in Maryland colors to raise money for Father Mike's Polar Plunge. We had another Sports Jerseys Tag Day where we all wore football, basketball jerseys, etc. The money was donated to Catholic Charities. The money raised from Tag Days goes to good causes.

-Erin Weakley

SCHOOL STORE

The School Store is open every Tuesday & Thursday from 7:30-8:00. We have lots of new edition Valentines things, such as water bottles, bracelets, and pencils. We also have all the school supplies you need, plus more! Please remember to stop by!

- Cassie Massiglia & Lauren Weber

SPIRIT COMMITTEE

In the 2nd quarter, we celebrated Spirit Day and showed our school pride. We only have 3 basketball game days left this season. Our Senior Game is coming up on Feb. 12 at Ryken. We hope to see all of your bright and shining smiles there to support us! Go Seahawks and spread spirit throughout the school!

- Riordan Mulddon & Aubrey Proctor Zerega



STUDENT COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The month of January has been very busy. We celebrated Catholic Schools Week and many activities. We dressed in our favorite sports jerseys, shared our talents, and ended the week with an Ice cream Social. 5th-8th grades participated in the Science Fair. All of the projects looked amazing! We look forward to Valentine's Day and Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) in Feb.

- Lauren Weber

STUDENT COUNCIL TREASURER REPORT

As Treasurer, it is my job to inform you that we are not doing well on Tag Days. The last few we have not even made \$65, and we have 123 students. These Tag Days go to charitable causes. Please remember to turn in your \$1 donation on Tag Days.

- Cassie Massiglia, Student Council Treasurer