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OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

October 19, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our School Advisory Board is currently looking for additional members for the 2022-23 school year. The purpose of the Board is to provide advice and assistance to School's Pastor & Principal in the governance of the school. The board fulfills its purpose and exercises its functions in accord with the mission and goals of the parish and with the goals, policies, and regulations of the ADW. If interested, please email Mrs. Thompson at principal@olsss.org. Our next meeting is scheduled for mid-November.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson

Principal

NEWS & REMINDERS:

- OCTOBER -

SPIRT WEAR: The <u>OLSS Spirit Wear Store</u> will close at the end of the day.

SPIRT NIGHT: Thank you to all who supported Spirit Night at Salsa's, which raised \$400 for our school!

TAG DAY: Fri, Oct. 21 is a Tag Day for Breast Cancer Awareness. Students may wear pink and white clothing for a \$1 donation for CalvertHealth Women's Center.

OCTOBER RAFFLE: 8th Grade has a Halloween-themed basket raffle to raise money for their graduation fund. Tickets are \$.50 each or 3 for \$1.00 and may be purchased online here.

FAITH & BLUE: On **Oct. 24,** Calvert County Sheriff's Office will give a presentation for the <u>National Faith</u> & <u>Blue</u> Program. To thank them, students can bring in blue-themed treats. Please send in **by Oct. 21.**

PORTRAIT RETAKES: Lifetouch Portraits Retakes are **Tue, Oct. 25**. Please notify your child's teacher if they will be having their portrait retaken. Students must bring the portrait package they are returning.

SOLOMONS FIRE DEPT. VISIT: Solomon Fire Dept. & Rescue Squad will visit OLSS on **Thu, Oct. 27**.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Our Trunk or Treat for OLSS school and parish families is **Thu, Oct. 27 from 5:30-7:30pm.** We need of volunteers to host trunks and donate candy. Sign up here.

OCT. 28: There is no school on **Friday, Oct. 28** for Teacher Collaboration Day.

TAG DAY: \$1 Halloween Tag Day is **Mon, Oct. 31**. Students may wear appropriate Halloween-themed or orange and black clothes. **NO HALLOWEEN COSTUMES, HAIR DYE, OR MAKEUP ALLOWED**.

- NOVEMBER -

SNACK CARDS: Starting **November 1**, OLSS's Lunch Program will be offering snacks for sale daily. A list of selections will be posted daily in the Providence Room, and will include items such as veggies & dip, chips, crackers, fruit snacks, cookies, etc. Snacks will be sold using a punch-card system. Snacks will be either 50¢ or \$1, depending on the item. \$10 snack cards may be purchased through the <u>Online School Store</u>, and the charge for each purchase will be taken off their card. Students in grades 2-8 are responsible for keeping their snack card in their desk. Teachers for PK, K, and 1st grade will help their students with their cards. We thank Mrs. Spencer, our Lunch Coordinator, for starting this program for our school!

ALL SAINTS DAY: We will celebrate All Saints Day on **Tue, Nov. 1**. Children may wear Saint costumes to school **over their school uniform** for a Parade of Saints into the church at 8:30am for 9am Mass. No weapons of any kind are allowed as accessories.

FIELD TRIP: Grades 3, 4, & 5 will be going on a history field trip on **Nov. 3**.

CONFERENCES: Parent/Teacher Conferences for K-8th grades will be held on **Wed, Nov. 9 from 3:15-8pm,** and **Thu, Nov. 10 from 8am-3pm.** Conferences are mandatory. To sign up, go to:

NOV. 9: http://www.olsss.org/conferences-nov-9.html
NOV. 10: http://www.olsss.org/conferences-nov-9.html

VETERAN'S DAY: There is no school on **Fri, Nov. 11** for Veteran's Day.

TURKEY TROT: Our Turkey Trot fundraiser will be held on **Tue**, **Nov. 22**. More info will be out soon.

THANKSGIVING BREAK: Tue, Nov. 22 is a 12:30pm dismissal, and there is no school **Nov. 23-25.**.



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2023-2024 ADW TUITION ASSISTANCE

The Archdiocesan Tuition Assistance Program is available for students in grades PK-12 applying to or currently enrolled in Catholic schools for the 2023-2024 school year. All tuition assistance obtained through the Archdiocese is based on demonstrated financial need, which must be demonstrated each year to qualify.

Applications are due by December 2. Please note that you only need to complete one form for all children in a family, whether elementary school students or high school students, even if seeking tuition assistance for children attending different schools. To apply, log into your TADS account and select "Financial Aid Application".

Families must submit an application for ADW Tuition Assistance before applying for additional OLSS School-based tuition assistance.

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

CHILI COOK-OFF:

HSA is hosting a Chili Cook-Off on **Saturday**, **Dec. 3** during the Solomons Christmas Walk. Please visit the Chili Cook-Off web page to register as a contestant: http://www.olsss.org/chili-cook-off.html
Registration is due **by Nov. 9** and there is a meeting on **Nov. 14**. Please email questions to olsschilicookoff@gmail.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR ON SAT, NOV. 19:

Please sign up here to help with the Christmas Bazaar: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4CA4AC2B A4F94-olss37

BAZAAR BAKE SALE ITEMS NEEDED

All kinds of HOMEMADE treats are welcome (cookies, brownies, pies, cakes, etc.) Please send your items in with labels on **Fri, Nov. 18**.

YARD SALE AT BAZAAR

We would appreciate donations of gently used items for the Yard Sale. No large furniture or outdated items. Dates & times for item drop off will be announced in November.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- * Oct. 21: \$1 Breast Cancer Awareness Tag Day
- * Oct. 24: Faith & Blue
- * Oct. 25: Lifetouch Portraits Retakes
- * Oct. 25: PK-2 Field Trip (rescheduled from Oct. 13)
- * Oct. 27, 5:30-7:30pm: Trunk or Treat
- * Oct. 27: End of 1st Quarter
- * Oct. 28: No School-Collaboration Day
- * Oct. 31: \$1 Halloween Tag Day

NOVEMBER

- Mov. 1: All Saints Day (8:30 Parade, 9:00 Mass)
- **Nov. 3:** 3rd, 4th, & 5th Field Trip
- Nov. 10: No School Conferences
- Nov. 11: No School Veterans Dav
- 💓 Nov. 19, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar
- Nov. 22: Turkey Trot
- **Nov. 22:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- Nov. 23-25: No School Break

DECEMBER

- **♦ Dec. 3:** One Hot Christmas Chili Cook-Off
- A Dec. 5-7: Santa Shop
- **♦ Dec. 16:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- ♦ Dec. 19-30: No School Christmas Break