



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our school year is off to a fantastic start! It was wonderful to see all of the children back in their classrooms last week, excited to begin a new year.

I would like to thank our parents and guardians for your continued support and commitment to Catholic education. It is going to be a great year!



PRAYING WITH FIVE FINGERS
Everyone did a great job with their posters! Thank you to all of our families for working on these with your children.



NEWS :

Back to School Night: I hope to see a parent or guardian from every family at Back to School Night tomorrow; **Thu, Sep. 7**. The evening will start at **7pm** with presentations in the Providence Room, after which parents visit their children's classrooms to meet with teachers.

Home & School Association: HSA will have info out at Back to School Night on the various volunteer opportunities available throughout the year. I would like to thank our 2067-18 HSA Committee for their continued dedication to our school:

- President: Katie Franklin
- Vice President: Patty DiBonaventuro
- Secretary: Stephanie White
- Treasurer: Katie Wingenter
- Volunteer Coordinator: Jessica Klasko
- Membership Coordinator: Heather McGaffin

Milk Orders: Milk, chocolate milk, and juice pouches are available for purchase at lunchtime every day for \$.50. Milk order forms for the quarter were sent home last week.

Scantron: Scantron baseline testing in Math, Reading, and Religion will take place during the week of **Sep. 19-23** for Kindergarten – 8th grades. Please avoid making doctor appointments, etc. for your children during this time.

Bay Studies: Bay Studies special classes will begin this month. Our coordinator for this program, Mrs. Corey Plakos, will be available to talk about the program at Back to School Night.

REMINDERS :

School Portraits: Lifetouch Studios took student portraits today. Portrait package should arrive here in about three weeks, and will be sent home with students. Portrait Make-Up Day is **Oct. 17**.

Spirit Night: Please support our Spirit Night at Roy Rogers in Solomons on **Mon, Sep. 18** from **5-8pm!** Mention OLSS when ordering, and Roy Rogers donates a portion of the sale to our school. Greeters are needed from 5-8pm; sign up online.

Hot Lunch Program: We are currently recruiting for a part-time Hot Lunch Program Coordinator. Please contact Mrs. Bartsch if you are interested.

Virtus Training: OLSS will host a Virtus Child Protection training class on **Tue, Sep. 26, 7-9pm**. If you would like to attend, register online through your Virtus account by selecting "Register for Live Training".



OLSS has basketball teams for boys in grades 4-8, and girls in grades 5-8.

Our Athletic Program Director, Mrs. Gladys Nehf, will be holding a meeting to determine interest for the upcoming season on **Tue, Sep. 12, at 7pm** in the Providence Room.

PARISH PICNIC

The annual OLSS Parish Picnic is this coming **Sun, Sep. 10, from 12-4pm**, following the 10:45am Mass. We hope you can join us for this fun event!

If your last name starts with **A-L**, please bring a side salad.

If your last name starts with **M-Z**, please bring a dessert.



Archdiocesan Band Program

The Archdiocesan Music Program offers instrumental lessons and a group band experience in Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Washington for students in grades 4-8. An ADW Music Teacher will come to OLSS to present a Band Demonstration on **Sep. 11**. Program info and registration forms will be sent home that day. Lessons begin **Sep. 25**.

FROG Full Rely on God



Our students are given a FROG IT challenge every week to help them spread God's word. This week's Challenge is to ask someone how their day is going? Then smile & listen to them.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

SEPTEMBER

- **Sep. 2-8:** Scholastic Book Fair
- **Sep. 7, 7pm:** Back to School Night
- **Sep. 18, 5-8pm:** Roy Rogers Spirt Night
- **Sep. 29:** 12:30pm Dismissal for Calvert Fair Day

OCTOBER

- **Oct. 13:** Grandparents Day
- **Oct. 13:** 12:30pm Dismissal Grandparents Day
- **Oct. 17:** Lifetouch Portraits Make-Ups
- **Oct. 20:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- **Oct. 27:** No School – Collaboration Day

God bless,

Mary Bartsch

Mrs. Mary Bartsch
Principal



Thank you to everyone who has supported our Scholastic Book Fair! The Book Fair will be open during school hours for the rest of this week. A huge thanks to our wonderful Librarian, Mrs. Angela Ingelido, for organizing the Book Fair, and to all our parent volunteers for helping out.



WHAT'S GOING ON AT OLSS:

Our Pre-Kand Kindergarten students have been getting to know their Middle School Buddies. They go to Morning Prayer and Mass together. Older buddies helped Younger buddies shop at the Book Fair, too.



Students have also been eating lunch outside and enjoying the beautiful views around our school!

