

The Seahawk Spark



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Happy New Year 2024!

We hope everyone had a blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! It is hard to believe we are half way through this school year. It is time to look at volunteer hours and make sure each family is on their way to meeting the 40-hour requirement. Please make sure the binder in the school is up to date. We will be sending out letters to families who are well under 20 hours. We are excited to announce several new events/opportunities coming this spring, so please keep a look out for sign-up genius posts on Facebook and school newsletters! If you are worried about not getting all your volunteer hours, HSA can help! Just send an email to olssvolunteerhours@gmail.com

Dates to Remember

January 2024 – 6th Grade Stock the Lounge

Week of 28th – Catholic Schools Week

February 2024 – 1st Grade Stock the Lounge

1st – Spaghetti Dinner

3rd – Polar Plunge

12th – Salsa's Spirit Night

March 2024 – 5th Grade Stock the Lounge

23rd – 24th – Palm Sunday Bake Sale and Basket Auction

April 2024 – 7th Grade Stock the Lounge

19th – Golf Tournament

27th – Tea Party (Tentative)

May 2024 – Kindergarten Stock the Lounge

4th – Father Alexander Gala

17th – Field Day

24th – Fun Run

Turkey Trot

Raised ~\$7,800 for our OLSS Specials

Many thanks to all families for supporting our annual Turkey Trot! We hope everyone enjoyed the day whether they ran the boardwalk or danced in the Chesapeake Room!

Mrs. Grater is looking forward to buying some new hula-hoops and pickle ball nets with the money raised. We can't wait to see what the other specials buy for the school!



SPIRIT NIGHT

February 12th

5 pm to Close

HSA Position Availability:

Are you interested in being part of the HSA executive board? The Secretary position will be vacant next fall. We are looking for an individual to start understanding the secretary role starting this March. The position requires someone that can attend monthly board meetings (Monday evenings), help develop monthly meeting agenda, record meeting minutes, distribute minutes and follow up on action items. The Secretary will also be responsible for coordinating and compiling the monthly HSA newsletter. If you are interested in applying for the Secretary position or have any questions about the position, please send an email to olss.hsa@gmail.com by **January 31**.



Many **THANKS** to **Lynn Cunningham** for her support of the HSA over the past several years!

Polar Plunge

Are you ready to take the plunge this Saturday, February 3rd? If you have not registered yet, please visit <https://myfunrun.com/olss> to register! If you do not feel like plunging, please consider donating to your favorite student or teacher! Speaking of teachers...we will have several taking the plunge to include: Ms. Gamble, Mrs. Muldoon, Senora Dawn Skeith-Baughner, Ms. Weber, Ms. Riley, Mrs. Grater, Mrs. Mautino, Mrs. Pouncey, Mrs. Angelheart, and Mrs. Hutchins!

The teachers are having a little contest. Whoever raises the most money will wear a polar bear costume all day during school! Jars will be set out at the Spaghetti Dinner Thursday, so stop by and put some money in your favorite teacher's jar!

If we raise our \$6,500 goal, Mrs. Thompson will wear the costume as well!

We are also excited about our top prizes!



Top Earning Student



Top Earning Family
(At least 2 members from immediate family must plunge)

Bake Sale Committee Updates

We would like to take a moment and thank all the families who donated amazing baked goods to all our fall events.

We will have a few more bake sales this year. Start dusting off your Easter recipes for our Annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale!



**Our Lady Star of the Sea School
Home and School Association**



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Christmas Delight

The Christmas Delight was a success! We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the evening. Many thanks to all who helped to include multiple church ministries, students, parishioners and school families! We wish we could list everyone individually who helped out, but this newsletter would be very long!

Our intent was to create a fun community event, but we did raise over \$3,000.

Palm Sunday Basket Auction

Our Annual Palm Sunday Basket Auction is 23-24 March. Please start thinking about different basket ideas and keep a look out for good sales. We will post some inspiration soon!

*We are looking forward to the Polar Plunge and Spring Events,
Always remember, "Be the Light!"*