

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

## November 8, 2023

Dear OLSS Families,

We are looking forward to Parent/Teacher conferences here tonight and tomorrow. 1st Quarter report cards will be distributed at conferences, assuming all financial obligations have been met. Please check the web pages to confirm your conference time(s) and arrive promptly at your scheduled time(s).

Wednesday, Nov. 8: <a href="http://www.olsss.org/conferences---nov.-8.html">http://www.olsss.org/conferences---nov.-8.html</a>

Thursday, Nov. 9: http://www.olsss.org/conferences-nov.-9.html

There is no school tomorrow for conferences and on Friday, Nov. 10 in observance of Veteran's Day. We thank all those who have served in our military. All gave some, and some gave all for our freedom.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs. Jennifer Thompson

Principal

## **NOVEMBER NEWS & REMINDERS:**

**BASKETBALL BAKE SALE:** Our Basketball program will be holding a Bake Sale fundraiser after Masses this weekend, **Nov. 11 & 12**. All school families may earn volunteer service hours for donating baked goods. Please email Mrs. Nehf at <a href="mailto:4nehf@comcast.net">4nehf@comcast.net</a> to coordinate dropping off baked goods.

**ORNAMENT WORKSHOP:** OLSS Parish's Little Disciples group are hosting a Christmas Ornament Making Workshop for OLSS Parish and School children in PK-8th grades on **Sun, Nov. 12 from 12-2pm** in the Providence Room. Ornaments will be sold at the Christmas Delight event, with proceeds going to our school.

**BAKE SALE MEETING:** The Bake Sale Committee is holding an info session on **Sun, Nov. 12 from 12p-2pm** in the Providence Room to discuss upcoming bake sales. Please bring any recipes you would like to share!

**WORLD KINDNESS DAY: Mon, Nov. 13** is World Kindness Day. Student may wear their Kindness shirts again on this date and we will play Kindness Day Bingo to celebrate.

**SCHOOL STORE:** Our Student Council's School Store, selling school supplies and religious articles, will be open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school. The store accepts cash payments only.

**BASKETBALL FUNDRAISERS:** OLSS's basketball program is selling chocolate bars and basketball socks to raise money for the basketball program; please see the flyer with today's news and purchase items here.

**NOVEMBER RAFFLE:** The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade's November Raffle is for a basket of fall goodies. Tickets are \$1/each, 6 for \$5, or 13 for \$10 and can be purchased with cash or check at the School Office, or through our <u>online store</u>.

**FOOD DRIVE:** Student Council is hosting a Thanksgiving Food Drive from **Nov. 6-17** to help local families in need through SMILE Food Pantry. Please see the <u>flyer</u> for more info.

**FAMILY THANKSGIVING FEAST:** Our Thanksgiving Feast for school families is **Thu, Nov. 16**; please see the <u>flyer</u> for more info. Students must purchase \$5 feast tickets; regular lunch tickets cannot be used for this. **THE DEADLINE TO PURCHASE FEAST TICKETS IS NOV. 13**; no orders will be accepted after then.

**BAZAAR:** Our Christmas Bazaar will be held on **Sat, Nov. 18** from 9am-2pm. Many volunteers are needed to help. Please check the Volunteering webpage to sign up to help or donate items for the Bake Sale.

**YARD SALE DONATIONS:** Please see <a href="here">here</a> for more info and drop off dates/times.

**MEETING:** We are hosting a meeting for OLSS parents on **Mon, Nov. 20 at 5:30pm** to share info on ADW'S <u>ALICE</u> (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) Program. 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will offer babysitting in the Chesapeake Room, supervised by OLSS staff, for parents who would like to attend but need childcare.

**FEATHER FUNDRAISER:** HSA is selling fundraising feathers throughout November. Small feathers are two for \$5 and large are \$10, and will be added to Timothy Turkey in the Providence Room. Please purchase tickets with cash to the School Office, or online.

## **DECEMBER NEWS & REMINDERS:**

**LIVE NATIVITY:** OLSS is hosting its annual Live Nativity Scene during the Solomons Christmas Walk on **Sat, Dec. 9** and needs people to volunteer to dress up as the Holy Family, angels, and shepherds, and sit in the creche outside the Historic Church for the 8:00-8:30pm time slot. For more info and to sign up, please email Jean Moyer at gnimoyer@gmail.com



**OLSS CHRISTMAS DELIGHT:** HSA is hosting the "OLSS Christmas Delight" Event on **Sat, Dec. 9 from 5-8pm** that will feature the Chili Cook-Off, wine and beer tasting, food concessions, a bake sale, a craft and ornament sale, Christmas gift sale, and many fun games and activities for children in the Chesapeake Room! Please see the <u>flyer</u> with today's news. Many thanks to Mrs. Wingenter and all the parent volunteers who are working hard to make plans for this exciting event!

**CHILI CHEFS NEEDED**: We need chefs to make their specialty chilis to share at the Chili Cook-Off on **Sat, Dec. 9.** Judges are also needed to determine the winning chili in the following categories: Zestiest, Most Creative, and Best Overall. Please visit the <u>Chili Cook-Off Registration page</u> for more info and to register. Please submit chef registrations by Nov. 29.

**SANTA SHOP:** The Santa Shop will be held on **Dec. 4-5** during school hours. Children will shop with their classes for Christmas gifts for their families (and pets!) and children in grades PK-3 will have their photos taken with Santa. More info and shopping lists to complete and return will be sent home next week.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Our school Christmas Concert will be held on **Sun, Dec. 17 at 1pm** in the Parish Church. All students are participating and are expected to attend. More info will be sent out in December.

### **THANK YOUS:**

## MAURICE I. LONG FOUNDATION

Thank you to the Maurice I. Long Foundation for assisting our school with purchasing laptops for our teachers and iPad covers for our students.



#### TROPHY CASES

Thank you to a donor (who would like to remain anonymous) who gave our school two beautiful trophy cases!



## 14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL OLSS TURKEY TROT Tuesday, November 21

Students will walk/jog to raise money for our school!

This year's theme is "Thankful for our Specials" in which funds raised will support Specials classes Spanish, Art, Music, Computers, Physical Education, and Library.

Students will collect pledges from friends and family members before running/walking with their classmates. Please visit the Fun Run website for donations. Each student must be registered by their parent/guardian in order to collect donations.

If you would like to volunteer for this event, please email Rebecca Mathe at <a href="mailto:Becken8591@gmail.com">Becken8591@gmail.com</a>

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

#### **NOVEMBER**

- Nov. 8, 3-8pm: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 9: No School | Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 10: No School Veterans Day
- Nov. 13: World Kindness Day
- Nov. 16: Family Thanksgiving Feast
- Mov. 18, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar
- **Nov. 20, 5:30pm:** ALICE Meeting for Parents
- Mov. 21: Turkey Trot | 12:30pm Dismissal
- Mov. 22-24: Thanksgiving Break
- Mov. 29: Ruddy Duck Spirit Night

#### **DECEMBER**

- ♠ Dec. 4-5: Santa Shop
- **▶ Dec. 9:** Christmas Delight & Chili Cook-Off
- **▶ Dec. 17, 1pm:** Christmas Concert
- **▶ Dec. 19:** Christmas Tag Day/12:30pm Dismissal
- **▶ Dec. 20-Jan 1:** Christmas Break

# LET'S GET READY TO TROT!!

We are Grateful for our Specials!!!!

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST OLSS STUDENTS WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN OUR ANNUAL TURKEY TROT!





WE WILL BE RAISING
MONEY TO SUPPORT OUR
SPECIALS THIS YEAR!
SCAN THE CODE TO
REGISTER YOUR STUDENTS
INVITE YOUR FAMILY
AND FRIENDS TO SUPPORT
AS WELL!

ONCE YOUR STUDENT IS REGISTERED PLEASE REST ASSURED THAT THE WEBSITE IS SECURE AND WILL NOT DISPLAY YOUR CHILD'S LAST NAME IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL REBECCA MATHE AT BECKEN859@GMAILCOM

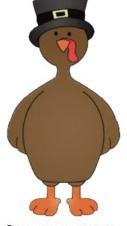
## HELP GET TIMOTHY READY FOR THANKSGIVING!!

THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER HSA WILL BE SELLING FEATHERS TO RAISE MONEY THAT WILL GO TOWARDS THIS YEARS CHRISTMAS VILLAGE!



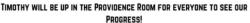
FEATHERS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE OR BY SENDING IN CASH. YOUR FAMILY NAME WILL BE WRITTEN ON YOUR FEATHERS!

LETS' GET TIMOTHY AS MANY FEATHERS AS POSSIBLE!



SMALL YELLOW FEATHER: 2 FOR \$5

LARGE ORANGE OR BROWN FEATHER: \$10



HSA WILL HAVE A TABLE SET UP AT THE THANKSGIVING FEAST ON THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 16TH IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT!



For info on vendor opportunities, please email

olssbazaarvendors@gmail.com



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