OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS



February 8, 2023

Dear OLSS Families.

Everyone enjoyed celebrating Catholic Schools Week last week!

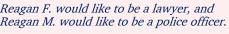


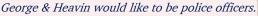
On Wednesday we held Spelling Bees for grades 2 & 3 and for grades 4-8. All of our students did a fantastic job! Congratulations to the winners; Isabelle M. and Declan M. tied for 1st and Annabel K. won 3rd in the Grade 2-3 Bee, and Melanie M. won 1st, Kaleb W. won 2nd, and Kendall F. won 3rd in the Grade 4-8 Bee.





On Thursday, we celebrated vocations and our students dressed as the profession they would like to be. 8th graders were also teachers for the day and taught classes to PK - 7th grades.







Friday was crazy socks day, and the winners of the week-long contests were announced. Thank you for your generous donations for the Souper Bowl, which will go to SMILE Food Pantry.







NEWS & REMINDERS:

KINDNESS WEEK: Next week, we are participating in The Great Kindness Challenge, a week-long program dedicated to creating a culture of kindness and compassion in communities worldwide. Please see the info with today's news and in today's yellow folders. We will have different Spirit Days every day next week. Many thanks to Mrs. Hutchins. Mrs. Frederick, & Mrs. Mautino for planning and organizing this special event for our school!

DONATIONS: For Kindness Week, are asking for donations of brand new (with tags) small or medium stuffed animals to donate to the pediatric units of local hospitals, and sugar-free snacks/treats to donate to the healthcare residents of Asbury in Solomons.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: We are going to be making Kindness Rocks to place throughout the community as a way to promote kindness AND spread the word about our school. We are in need of some supplies and assistance to make this activity a success for our students. Parents can obtain volunteer hours for donating:

- Clean, smooth white or light river rocks between 2"-4" (examples here & here)
- Acrylic paint pens or sharpies for decorating rocks (examples here & here)
- Sealing Spray (example here)

BASKETBALL: Senior games to celebrate our 8th graders will be held at Ryken on **Feb. 12;** VG at 1pm, Senior Ceremony at 2pm, and VB game at 2:15pm. <u>Basketball fundraisers</u> are still available, and chocolate bars will be available for purchase after Masses this weekend.

VALENTINE'S DAY: Tuesday, Feb. 14 is a St. Valentine Tag Day. Students may wear red, pink, or Valentine-themed clothing and bring a \$1 donation for a charity that our Student Council will select.

SPIRIT WEAR: HSA has opened the <u>Online Spirit Store</u> for purchases through March 5. Please see the flyer with today's news or visit the store online to see all the great OLSS Spirit items to purchase!



We will host our annual Polar Plunge on **Saturday, March 4 from 10:30am-12pm** at the Drum Point Beach Club in Lusby.

Students and their family members are welcome to participate in this fun event! Each plunger is required to raise a minimum of \$30 to plunge. Registration and donation collection will be on the oiss.myfunrun.com website.

The money raised will help offset the cost of field trips and support extracurricular activities.

2023-24 RE-REGISTRATION REMINDER:

On Jan. 30, families received an email with a link to complete re-registration for the 2023-24 school year. New families can apply for admission starting Feb. 13. On that day, spaces will be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis If you have not re-registered by Feb. 13, your child(ren) may lose their spot. We encourage you to complete re-registration ASAP to secure your spot(s).

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2ND QTR. HONOR ROLL RECIPIENTS!

4th Grade, 1st Honors:

Vincent Barbour, Kalina Dillard, Zoe Roberts, Mia Sanchez, Liliana Scaduto, & Tyler Wingenter

4th Grade, 2nd Honors:

Jackson Bowen, Sadie Grey, Jameson Hankins, Lily Kreamer, & Jace Norris

5th Grade, 1st Honors:

Stella Bailey

5th Grade. 2nd Honors:

Levi Chandlee, Ryan Haines, Nathan Mekonnen, & Austin Parks

6th Grade, 1st Honors:

Charlotte Adams & Nicolas Olekson

6th Grade, 2nd Honors:

Carissa Dioguardi, Sophia Hankins, & Harper Hutchins

7th Grade, 1st Honors:

Haley Hermann, Violet Klasko, Camryn Stark, Za'Hanna Walker, & Kaleb Wingenter

8th Grade, 1st Honors: Luke Annulis, Elana Dioguardi, Aibhilin Fockler, & Graci King

8th Grade, 2nd Honors: Sunny Gross, & Lucas O'Connor, Rylee Riedell, & Kaleb Smith

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- **Feb. 13:** Admissions for 2023-24 Opens
- **♥ Feb. 13-17:** Kindness Week
- Feb. 14: St. Valentine's Day Tag Day
- Feb. 17, 9-11am: Open House for New Families
- **♥ Feb. 17:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- **Feb. 20:** No School Presidents Day
- **Feb. 21:** Mardi Gras Tag Day & Parade
- **▼ Feb. 22:** Ash Wednesday/ Lent Begins

MARCH

- * Mar. 3, 9-11am: Open House for New Families
- Mar. 4: Polar Plunge
- **Mar. 6:** Wear Kindness Shirt
- **Mar. 10:** 12:30pm Dismissal
- Mar. 13: St. No School Collaboration Day
- Mar. 17, 9-11am: Open House for New Families
- Mar. 17: St. Patrick's Day Tag Day
- Mar. 21: Rock Your Socks for Down Syndrome Day