

Our Lady Star of the Sea School

Student Council Newsletter

PRE-K

Pre-K has done many fun activities. These children have been getting festive and have been making St Patrick's Day rainbows out of Fruit Loops. They are also reading many different Dr. Seuss books. Pre-K has been doing many different Dr. Seuss activities. They have also been learning different letters in the alphabet, but most important Pre-K has been practicing their Stations of the Cross. Pre-K has been doing many productive activities! - Nic O.

KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten has been hard at work. In math the students have learned about dimes, number lines, coin payments, identifying measuring, container capacity, solving addition equations, and also subtraction equations. They have placed objects in order by length and some ABC patterns. In reading the students worked on identifying story settings, characters, and plot. They also counted syllables, high frequency words, (the, a, we, see, we, is, have, Etc.) writing capitalization, complete sentences versus incomplete. They have learned of Dr Seuss day and reading across America. In religion they learned of prayers, the rosary prayer, prayers included: Hail Mary, Glory Be, Saint Blaze and his story, Saint Patrick, parts of a mass, and the Lenten season. In science they studied animals changing their environment to change for their needs, how plants change their environment and how people change their environment and its effect. In social studies they worked on President's Day, Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, Etc. They learned about George Washington Carver and they ate peanuts after this lesson, teaching farmers of peanuts. Students celebrated Valentine's Day and learned about St. Valentine, Dr Seuss Day, Saint Patrick's Day, tag days, card exchanges on Valentine's, Mardi Gras parade, and rock your socks! Kindergarten has had a great third quarter. - Mckenzie S.

1st GRADE

The third quarter has been fun for first grade! The first graders are working on writing their personal narratives, short stories about something that happened to them. In religion to prepare for Lent, first grade has learned about the crucifixion and Holy Week. Identifying coins and different currency symbols as well as standard and non-standard forms of measurement are the main topics for math. In spelling they work with phonemes and understanding letter Blends as one sound. For science, first grade is working on more life cycles of plants. In social studies, how to read map and map Keys as well as the differences in countries, continents, states and cities. This quarter instead of the cube jar they switched it up and is now using a bingo board, where a number is drawn each time the whole class shows good behavior. For their incentive first grade votes as a class between two different options. First grade has had a great third quarter! - Violet K.

2nd GRADE

Second grade had a good quarter! They had First Reconciliation and are learning about how to receive Communion properly. For Dr. Seuss day they read there's a Wocket in My Pocket and did other activities around Dr Seuss. In math they are learning how to add and subtract with regrouping and how to read a clock to 5 minute intervals. In social studies they learned about different parts of the government: local, state, and national. They also created African American inventor posters. In language arts second grade is learning how to write friendly letters using proper formatting and the differences between nouns and verbs. Second grade has had an awesome quarter! - Alexis S.

3rd GRADE

The third grade has had a productive third quarter. They have continued working on their multiplication facts and started working on division. They have started working on their first ever book report. Third grade has also been working hard in science. They did a project on the Engineering Process going through the design, creation, and testing process with paper airplanes. Third grade is a class of high achievers that are ready to finish strong in the next and final quarter! - Haley H.

4th GRADE

In the third quarter the fourth graders did many exciting things. They read about Harriet Tubman for Black History Month and shared a photo album or junk drawer filled with items from her life. They learned about the seven sacraments in religion and had seven people pass the multiplication tables to reach their cherry (and ice cream!) They built a massive food web with string and paper in science class. The fourth quarter begins with rocks and minerals. Lots of "rockin" stuff happening this quarter! - Monroe B.

5^h GRADE

Fifth grade had an awesome third quarter! In January they took a field trip to the Calvert Marine Museum to learn about food webs and our ecosystem. At the end of January Mia Sanchez moved to Texas. She had been with their class since Pre-K. For Dr Seuss day they made a "thing one and thing" two art projects and for "Read Across America" they read some of their favorite books with their second grade buddies. - Tyler W.

6th GRADE

Sixth grade has had a great third quarter! In science they are learning about space telescopes. In ELA they are doing how-to projects and sharing them. In social studies they are reading about ancient places and their history. In literature they are assigned a verse from the Bible and they made a report on it. In religion they are learning about the Beatitudes. In math, in course 2, they are learning about the angles and degrees of a circle. In pre-algebra math they are learning about two-step problems, multiple term sequences, variables on both sides, and adjacent angles. Sixth grade had a great third quarter! - Lou H.

7th GRADE

Seventh grade has had an amazing third quarter and that quarter they were currently learning about two-step problems, multiple term sequences, variables on both sides, and adjacent angles in math. In science they are currently learning about abiotic factors and matter, energy in the environment. In social studies they're learning about the enlightenment, changes in the western world, political revolutions, the Industrial Revolution, and nationalism and imperialism. In literature they are currently reading a chapter book called The Giver. In ELA they are learning about writing compare and contrast essays. They just did a project on a newscast. In religion they're learning about the gifts of the holy spirit, confirmation, and writs of baptism. In Spanish, they're learning about the forms of "ser" which means "to be" and making nouns plural. Seventh grade is ready for the 4th quarter! - Madalyn M.

8th GRADE

This quarter in the 8th grade their class was introduced to many new projects and subjects. In science they were given specifics on their science fair projects as well as completing their research projects. In ELA they began to work on flash cards to collect research for their research reports. In all of their classes they learned a great amount of information. For example in science they learned about elements and the periodic table while in literature they read many different stories, for example "Cub Pilot on the Mississippi" by Mark Twain. In social studies they have learned about American imperialism, World War I and the 1920s. In all of their classes the 8th grade has tried to stay on top of their homework and try to do well on their tests. Along with school work they also spend time with their kindergarten buddies. For example they read Dr Seuss books for Dr. Seuss day. 8th grade has had an amazing third quarter! - Daniel D.

MISSIONS & CHARITIES

OLSS has donated to many Charities this quarter. They had a tag Day in February for Valentine's Day. The money went to the Catholic relief services helping families in impoverished countries. The Mardi Gras tag day was also in February going to assist the Sisters of the congregation of Divine Providence Madagascar mission. Both their Lenten coin drive and St Patrick's Day tag day are also going to the Madagascar Mission supporting them after the Hurricanes totalled their houses. - Za'Hanna W.

SAFETY PATROL

This quarter hasn't been going as smooth as the safety patrol would like to. The largest issue right now is the trend of all cars forming on one lane. They request that you pay attention when entering the car line and follow the left, right, left, right system they have in place. They ask that you have frequent conversations with your children about tutoring and extracurricular activities going on that week. They want to keep the car line flowing smoothly. - Karl G.

YEARBOOK & PHOTOGRAPHY

In this quarter many photos have been taken in many different places. One place is on the field trip to St Jude's Relic. 7th and 8th grade traveled to St John's Hollywood to venerate the Relic. Another event is the basketball pep rally. At this event basketball team members put on their uniforms and spread some much-needed joy and energy. Once again all of these photos can be found on the school's Facebook page which you can access through the school's website. - Camryn S.

STUDENT COUNCIL TREASURER REPORT

This quarter OLSS had the St. Patrick's Day tag day that made \$152. Week 1 of the Penny Wars made \$148 and week two made \$252 and they got an extra \$120 donation. - Isla I.

LUNCH COMMITTEE

Thank you Miss Kelly for the delicious lunches everyday! - Abilihin F.

SPIRIT COMMITTEE

They ended the V-Boys basketball season this past Sunday with their basketball banquet. Which was a festive event at which all basketball players, coaches, and their families celebrated the season, along with the players receiving their awards for their conduct and participation during the season. Also in the third quarter was the tournament for basketball. In which despite losing our game the team showed their improvement throughout the season. In conclusion, despite not winning many games this season, the team showed fortitude and improvement throughout the season. (They're winning next year) - Daniel D.

The OLSS basketball season has come to a full and official closing. The final season event was the Showcase held at St Mary's Ryken High School. The Varsity players were given a chance to pick from a variety of events to perform. The events include foul shooting, 3-point shooting, and/or a 3v3 against the other league teams. The final event is the Showcase basketball game where coaches pick three players from their team to join other league players and form two teams to play against each other. The OLSS basketball ends the season with an awards ceremony where the players and their families bring a potluck dish to share and be able to hear the final words of their coaches. It was a great finale and an amazing way to say goodbye to our OLSS 8th graders who will be moving on to high school. - Delilah E.

MASS & ASSEMBLIES

This quarter there have been many new trainees from grades fourth and up. They select servers based on how well they are in class. If a student is disruptive constantly and does not pay attention they are less likely to be selected for altar serving. If a student has been trained but was fidgeting or being disruptive on the altar they will not be chosen again until they prove that they can handle the job of altar serving. Altar serving is very important to the flow of the mass and we demonstrate reverence on the altar. If a student cannot be reverent on the altar or off they may not be chosen to serve. At this point in the year I will start giving trained altar servers more time on the altar so they can be ready for masses next year. If your child is trained they are always welcome to serve at the weekend masses because we can never have too many servers. - Kaleb W.

RECYCLING COMMITTEE

The recycling committee encourages all of the classes to recycle. Sadly they need more recycling bins. Please donate bins. - Brooklyn C.