

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWS

Newsletter: November 7, 2018

Dear Parents & Guardians, Last week was very busy!

The children celebrated Halloween with class parties, games, & crafts.



NEWS:

New PK Teacher: Welcome to our new Pre-K Teacher, Mrs. Stephanie Riley! Mrs. Riley holds a Bachelors Degree in Early Childhood Education from Coastal Carolina University. She taught public PK for 4 years in North Carolina. She has worked for Magnificent Minds Learning Center in Great Mills for the last 5 years, tutoring in reading and math for grades PK-3. She worked as a Title 1 tutor at OLSS earlier this year. She will start on Tue, Nov. 13.

Claire's Gourmet: Thanks to all who participated in the Claire's Gourmet fundraiser! Breanna G. sold the most items, Jackson H. won the tuition credit, and Kindergarten had the most participation. 8th graders Breanna G., Ashlynn D., Lauren W., & Maggie M. gave up their individual prizes and merged their orders into one to receive a higher prize level of \$100 cash, and then donated it to the 8th grade class fund. We are very proud of these girls!

Tag Day: Last week's Tag Day raised \$105 for the Sheldon E. Goldberg Center for Breast Cancer.

Spaghetti Dinner: Our Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser raised \$1,156 for the school! The 50/50 Raffle brought in \$145, thanks to the McGaffin family, who generously donated their winnings back to school.

Bake Sale: Our Basketball teams are having a Bake Sales after Masses on **Sat, Nov. 10 & Sun, Nov. 11**. Anyone can get volunteer hours for donating baked goods! Please drop off donations **Fri, Nov. 9**.

Food Drive: Student Council is hosting a food drive to help SMILE to put together Thanksgiving meals for those in need. Please see the flyer with today's news, and send in food donations **by Nov. 16**.

<u>Middle School Feast</u>: 6th, 7th, & 8th grade will have a "Fruits of the Spirit" feast on **Tue**, **Nov. 20**. Please see the flyer with today's news for dish assignments.

<u>Chili Cook Off</u>: HSA is hosting a Chili Cook Off at OLSS on **Sat, Dec. 8**, during the Solomons Christmas Walk. Please see the flyer and registration form with today's news for more info.



We celebrated All Saints Day with Mass & a Parade of Saints around the school.

On All Souls

Day, 6th & 7th

the cemetery to pray for the souls of those buried there.



On Friday, our staff organized a Spaghetti Dinner, which was was well attended and a lot of fun! Many thanks to those who cooked and served, and to Mary Ann Dale for the wonderful decorations!

REMINDERS:

<u>Pep Rally</u>: We will hold a Pep Rally for our Seahawks Basketball teams **tomorrow at 2pm**.

Open House: We will host Open Houses this Fri, **Nov. 9, 9-11am**, and on **Sat, Dec. 8, 5-7pm**.

Bull & Oyster Roast: We will hold our Bull & Oyster Roast at Vera's on **Sun, Nov. 11 from 12-5pm**. Please join us for great food & to benefit our school!

Thanksgiving Feast: The Family Thanksgiving Feast is next **Wed, Nov. 14** at 11:30am.

<u>**Parent-Teacher Conferences:**</u> To schedule your conference, visit the Conference webpages:

- Nov. 9: www.olsss.org/conferences-nov.-9.html
- Nov. 12: <u>www.olsss.org/conferences.html</u>

<u>Turkey Trot</u>: Our Turkey Trot fundraiser is **Tue**, **Nov. 20**. Students will walk & jog on the Solomons boardwalk to raise money for our school.

<u>Tuition Assistance for 2019-20</u>: The deadline to apply for the ADW Tuition Assistance Program is **Dec. 1**. Please use the link on the school website.

Registration for 2019-20: Registration for the 2019-20 school year is now open. Families will receive an email from OLSS/TADS to re-register. Families who register **by Dec. 1** will pay a registration fee of only \$50.

<u>Live Nativity</u>: To participate in the Live Nativity during the Christmas Walk on Fri, Dec. 7 & Sat, Dec. 8, see the sign-up sheet with last week's news.

WE NEED YOUR VOTE!

3 OLSS students made it to the finals of the WTOP Junior Reporter Contest. Please vote to support them! Go to: www.wtop.com/contests/reporter and vote for Lawrence, Joseph, or Luke by Nov. 9. Link to their videos:



LAWRENCE: https://www.youtube.com/watchv=40IUT4SUCdw **JOSEPH:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x7m28Ip2At4

LUKE: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvOOJCu3OXs



<u>Reservations can be made by calling:</u> Katie Franklin (410) 610-0692 or Veras (410) 586-1182 Or by purchasing tickets through online school store

OLSS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

YARD SALE: We are grateful for gently used items for the Yard Sale. Items may be dropped off from Nov. 12-16.

HELP AT BAZAAR: We need volunteers for numerous positions. Virtus certification is not required. Please sign up online.

BAKE SALE: We would appreciate baked good donations for the Bake Sale table. One plate = one volunteer service hour!

SPONSORSHIPS: Sponsor with a monetary contribution to help offset the cost of food and drink items to be sold. Please see the Sponsorship flyer with the Oct. 10 news. 1 volunteer service hour can be recorded for every \$25 donated.

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BASKETBALL NEWS

- Varsity Boys won last weekend to advance to next game on Nov. 10 at 1pm at KCA, vs ANS.
- Varsity Girls play Nov. 10 at 2:15pm at KCA, vs SMS.
- If teams win, they will be in the Championship at KCA Girls at 3pm and Boys at 4:15pm.
- 1st Regular Season Game is Nov. 18 at SMR; we need volunteers and donations for concessions.



FROG IT CHALLENGE

People may forget what you said, but never forget an act of kindness. Pass it on this week!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

NOVEMBER:

- Nov. 5-16: Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Nov. 8, 2pm: Basketball Pep Rally
- Nov. 9, 9-11am: Open House

Nov. 9: 12:30pm Dismissal

Nov. 10-11: Basketball Bake Sale After Masses

- Nov. 11, 12-5pm: Bull & Oyster Roast
- Nov. 12: No School Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Nov. 14, 11:30am: Family Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov. 17, 9am-2pm: Christmas Bazaar

Nov. 20: Turkey Trot

- Nov. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Nov. 21-23: No School Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 28: 8th Grade High School Placement Test

DECEMBER:

Dec. 5: Santa Shop

- Dec. 8: Chili Cook Off
- Dec. 13, 6:30pm: Christmas Program
- Dec. 17, 7pm: Advanced Band Concert at St. John's
- Dec. 20: 12:30pm Dismissal
- Dec. 21-Jan. 2: No School Christmas Break

God Bless,

Mary Bartsch Mrs. Mary Bartsch, Principal