

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER March 12, 2025

Dear OLSS Families,

The Maryland State Dept. of Education is now accepting applications for the Broadening Options and Opportunities for Students Today (BOOST) Program for the 2025-26 school year. The BOOST Program provides scholarships to eligible low-income students in Maryland so they can attend nonpublic schools. Please visit their <u>website</u> for more info and to apply. We encourage all qualifying families to apply for this scholarship to help with tuition fees. The deadline for applications is May 9.

Grace and Peace,

Mrs., Jennifer Thompson

NEWS & REMINDERS:

ST. PATRICK'S DAY: Mon, Mar. 17 is a \$2 St. Patrick's Day; students may wear green and St. Patrick's Day-themed clothing following Tag Day regulations.

FUNDRAISER PICKUP: The delivery of Claire's Gourmet and Joe Corbie's frozen food items will be on **Mon, Mar.**17. ALL ITEMS MUST BE PICKED UP BETWEEN 2-6PM ON MONDAY. We do not have freezer space to store any items not picked up and they are perishable. Items will be picked up from the Chesapeake Room via Alexander Lane. A reminder will be sent to parents by text and email on Monday.

CALENDAR CHANGE: May 13 will be a normal school day, and there will be no school on May 20 due to the ADW Principals Meeting being rescheduled. The <u>revised school year calendar</u> is included with today's news.

PANDA EXPRESS: Fri, Apr. 4 is a <u>Panda Express Spirit Day</u>. Place your order only and add code 9002709 in the Fundraiser Code box during checkout, and Panda Express will donate 28% of the cost to our school.

PALM SUNDAY FUNDRAISERS: We are hosting two fundraisers on Palm Sunday weekend (**April 12-13**): a <u>Bake Sale</u> and a <u>Basket Auction</u>. Donations of items for these events count towards volunteer service hours at the rate of \$30 = one hour. Please sign up on Track It Forward.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: The <u>Seahawk Scramble Golf Tournament</u> will be held on **Fri, Apr. 25**; please see the <u>flyer</u> for more info. If you would like to join the planning team, please email our HSA at <u>olsss.hsa@gmail.com</u>

BUSINESS SPONSORSHIPS: We are looking for businesses to help sponsor the Seahawk Scramble and the Fun Run; please see the <u>letter</u> with today's news for more info.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We are hosting Vacation Bible School from June 16-20 for children aged 3-12; please see the flyer here and sign up here.

SUMMER CAMP: Please see the flyer with today's news with info on the OLSS Parish Youth Summer Camp in August for students entering grades 6-10 in the fall. More info and registration can be found here.

PENNY WARS LENTEN FUNDRAISER

During the weeks of March 17-28 and April 7-11, our National Junior Honor Society is hosting Penny Wars. The goal is to collect as many PENNIES as possible in your jar, and put as many other coins in everyone else's jars. Money is worth points based on monetary value:

- Pennies = 1 point
- Nickels = 5 points
- Dimes = 10 points
- Quarters = 25 points

Please send in spare change with your child(ren), especially pennies, so that everyone can play this fun game! Proceeds will be donated to the Sisters of Divine Providence Madagascar Mission fund.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MARCH

- * Mar. 16: Basketball Awards Ceremony
- * Mar. 17: \$2 St. Patrick's Day Tag Day
- Mar. 21: End of 3rd Quarter

APRIL

- 🐣 Apr. 4: Panda Express Spirit Day
- Apr. 12-13: Palm Sunday Basket Auctions
- 🐣 Apr. 12-13: Palm Sunday Bake Sale
- Apr. 16: 12:30pm Dismissal/No Aftercare
- 🐣 Apr. 17-25: No School Easter Break
- Apr. 25: Seahawk Scramble Golf Tournament