

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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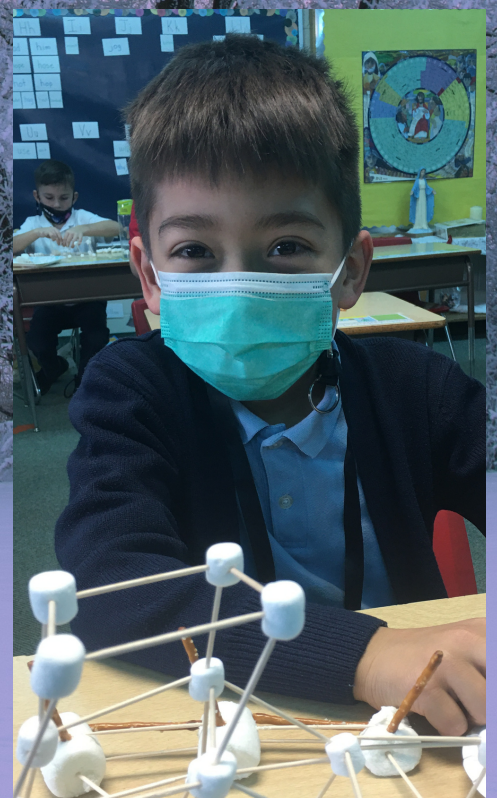
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Wishing Father Peter Eke a very happy birthday today! We are very blessed to have his generous support of the school!

FRIENDLY REMINDER FROM OUR STAFF

- After 66 days of face to face instruction, we ask you to continue to monitor your child closely & keep them home if they display symptoms of illness. Teachers are happy to send work home if you call the office or email.
- Please send kids to school with hats, gloves, boots and snow pants for the younger students. It's getting cold out there.
- Please bring water to school in plastic water bottles. No juice, no flavored water, milk, gatorade, etc.
- Students may wear brown/ black leather shoes or all black tennis shoes for daily wear.



Christmas Activities

- December 6th is St. Nicholas Day. Ask your child what treat St. Nicholas placed in their shoe on Monday.
- December 6th-11th the students will be decorating the classroom doors. The only requirement for this project is that they are not to go buy anything to place on the door. Items should be made by students with craft supplies.
- Students will be rehearsing daily for the upcoming Advent play December 16th.



A Message from Home & School Committee

Please call the office at 989-366-5592 if you are interested in selling Holiday Cards and Christmas items after Mass at OLL or a neighboring Parish.

WE HAVE ONLY 3 WEEKENDS TO SELL MANY ITEMS THAT WERE DONATED!

Please save the following items and turn into the school:

- G's Pizzeria Receipts (HL location only)
- Coke caps
- Family Fair receipts
- Laser/inkjet cartridges, cell phones, iPods, MP3's
- iPads, Tablets, eReaders
- Our Family UPC's

Script cards/Gift cards to Walmart, Home Depot, Amazon, Marathon and many more can be ordered at OLLRCS!

Additional questions regarding service hours, please contact:
Liz Hoogerhyde, President of Home and School
989-915-0006 or help4usw@yahoo.com

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OLLRCS School Calendar

Can Drive

Thank you for supporting student council's can drive. Together, we collected 1661 items of food that was greatly needed this pandemic year. This can drive was a record high for OLLRCS! What an amazing school family we have!

School Closures

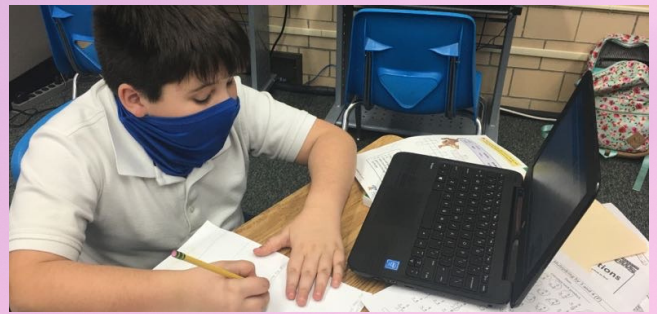
School closures due to inclement weather will be announced on 9&10 News and a parent alert text will be sent out before 6:30am



Annual Advent Play

We are still planning on holding our annual Advent Play December 16th at 1:00pm and 6:00pm. Both performances will include all students in the school. Click the link below for play information. A copy of this letter should have been sent home with your child today!

PLAY INFO!



Thank you for helping your child and our teachers!

We thank you for spending time teaching your child to zip up coats and tie shoes. We've seen much improvement in a short time. Also, the work that is spent learning multiplication facts is paying off. All 3-8th grade students have shown progress, as most students have doubled their 5 minute timed test score from 6 weeks ago. Thank you for partnering with us to master multiplication facts 0-12. It will make higher level Math so much easier in the future!



Cold Weather Dismissal

We are getting fairly good at knowing what car belongs to what child. If you would like to stay in your car to avoid the cold weather, drive from the east side (by church) around 3:15. After we have released all the students that have parents lined up, we will release the students that have parents waiting in their cars. Hope this helps and we are open to suggestions.

**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".
Jeremiah 29:11**

Academic Progress

3rd-8th grade students should have their grades posted on-line. Follow these links

- **Family Portal**
- **Student**
- **Grades**

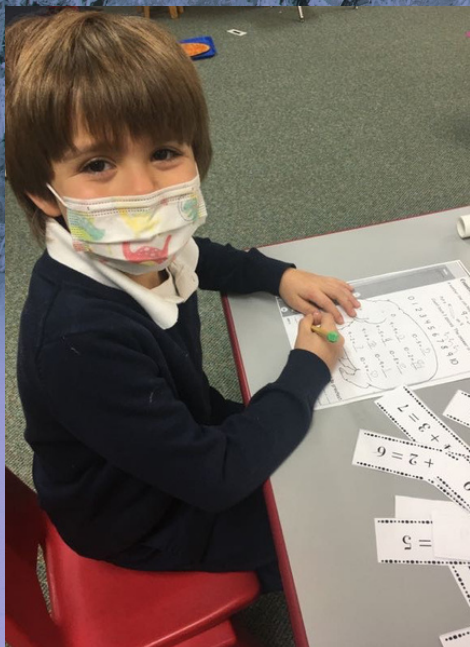
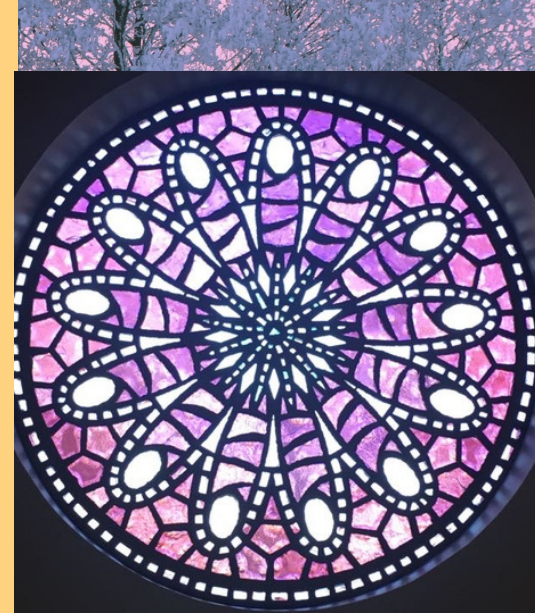
If you are struggling to see grades on line, please call the office and let us know!



UPCOMING DATES

Many of you have kindly asked what the teachers need for their classrooms. Their response was "bottled water and Expo markers"!

- Dec. 4th: Father Peter's Birthday-Ice cream for students
- Dec. 6th: St. Nicholas Day
- Dec. 7th: Celebrate St. Nicholas Day at school
- Dec. 7th-11th: Christmas Door Decorating week
- Dec. 8th: 6-8th grade Advent Play practice 3:15-4:30
- Dec. 10th: Star Track tutoring after school until 4:30
- Dec. 11th: Dress Down Friday
- Dec. 15th: 6-8th grade Advent Play practice 3:15-4:30
- Dec. 16th: Advent Play-1:00pm afternoon performance
- Dec. 16th: Advent Play - 6:00pm evening performance
- Dec. 17th: Star Track tutoring after school until 4:30
- Dec. 18th: Christmas Sweater Dress Down Day



I am always looking for suggestions of how to improve OLLRCS. If you have thoughts of how things could run smoother or safer, please do not hesitate to call or email me at mjohnson@ollrcs.org. As you know, it takes a village to raise a child and at OLLRCS, it takes a village to run our school. To all of those that help at recess, lunch, in the office and with maintenance, I can not thank you enough. Our volunteers are the backbone of our school & they are doing a phenomenal job with helping us stay open for in person instruction.

Thank you for all you do & may God bless,

Mrs. Michelle Johnson