



# OUR LADY OF THE LAKE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

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Donation Amount: \$ _____	Church monitor, Resorter, and banner in school gym. .
OTHER: Donation Amount: \$ _____	
I am not able to donate at this time, but will keep Our Lady of the Lake Regional Catholic School in my daily prayers.	
SPONSOR INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)	
Name: <u>Dave and Michelle Johnson</u>	
Address: <u>1039 Houghton Lake Dr Prudenville</u> <small>(street address) (city, state, zip)</small>	
Phone: <u>989-366-5592</u>	Email: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> I (We) would like our gift to remain anonymous.	
Name of OLLRCS family to recognize for this donation: <u>Ayden Brooks</u>	
Please return form with business card (if applicable) and make checks payable to:	
Our Lady of the Lake Regional Catholic School/OLLRCS 1039 W. Houghton Lake Drive PO Box 800 Prudenville, MI 48951	

## "Feed My Sheep" Letter Fundraiser!

The "Feed My Sheep" letter fundraiser takes the place of our annual gala, which is our biggest money making fundraiser. We need your help to reach our goal by November.

This week your child brought home a manilla envelope that included 3 smaller white envelopes and an instruction page. Above is a sample letter that is in the 3 enclosed letters. In the bottom line, I wrote Ayden Brooks' name on that line, so his family will get 2 hours of service credit. All families need to complete 100 hours by April or they are charged \$12 for every incomplete hour. I chose Ayden because it was his birthday yesterday. Please send the 3 letters out to people/businesses you think may donate. Thank you for your participation and please return any unused letters. If you want more letters, please contact the office and we will send more home with your child.

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## Fall Field Trips

- **PreK - Bart's Fruit Market - Oct. 8th from 10:00am-11:15am. Depart from school at 9:45am.**
- **Kindergarten & 1st grade - Fleming Farms pumpkin patch in Gaylord - Oct. 15th. Depart at 8:45am and arrive back to school around 1:30pm.**
- **2nd - 8th grades - Fleming Farms Pumpkin Patch in Gaylord - Oct. 22. Depart at 8:45, arrive back to school at 1:30pm.**

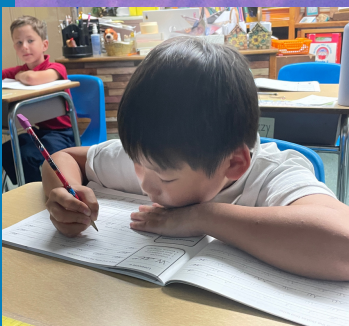
**WATCH FOR PERMISSION SLIPS!**

**ALL STUDENTS MAY DRESS DOWN THE DAY OF THEIR SCHEDULED FIELD TRIP & PACK A SACK LUNCH!**

## 2021-22 School Calendar Link

### STAR Track After School Tutoring

- STAR (Study, Think, Achieve, Reach) after school tutoring program until 4:30pm.
- Sign-up forms, sent home in your family packet, must be completed and submitted in order for your child to attend. Please contact the office if you need a new form.
- STAR Track after school tutoring is offered every Tuesday and Thursday.



### Academic Progress

4th-8th grade students should now have their grades posted on-line. Follow these links in the FACTS family portal to access their progress in each subject.

- Family Portal
- Student
- Grades

Feel free to email your child's teacher concerning their academic progress/behavior.

- PreK: [abawek@ollrcs.org](mailto:abawek@ollrcs.org)
- Y5/Kindergarten: [kpacella@ollrcs.org](mailto:kpacella@ollrcs.org)
- 1st Grade: [rkruse@ollrcs.org](mailto:rkruse@ollrcs.org)
- 2nd/3rd: [ksmith@ollrcs.org](mailto:ksmith@ollrcs.org)
- 3rd-5th: [akoupal@ollrcs.org](mailto:akoupal@ollrcs.org)
- 6th-8th: [amckuen@ollrcs.org](mailto:amckuen@ollrcs.org)
- Secretarial staff: [ollsc@ollrcs.org](mailto:ollsc@ollrcs.org)
- Principal: [mjohnson@ollrcs.org](mailto:mjohnson@ollrcs.org)

### School Pictures Oct. 7th!

This is our first dress down day - wear your favorite outfit for pictures!



### Mask guidance from CMDHD, MMDHD, DHD#10 & MDHHS

Below is the latest update on mask recommendations from the health department. Attached are two documents:

[MI Safer School Guidance Link](#)

[Modified Quarantine CMDHD MMDHD DHD#10 Link](#)

**To summarize: If you choose to have your child wear a mask full time while in the building and there is an exposure, masked students are way less likely to be required to quarantine for the 14 days by the health department.**

**NOTE: Our Lady of the Lake Regional Catholic School recommends all staff, volunteers, and students wear masks full time. It is your choice whether or not you/your child wear a mask. If you wish for your child to wear a mask full time, please email your child's teacher. Teachers will be happy to remind and encourage your child to wear it consistently.**

### School Reminders

- Please have your child bring 1-2 water bottles every day. Thank you!
- We need your help practicing with your child when putting on shoes, tying shoes, zipping coats, and putting coats/attire on independently.
- As the weather turns colder, please send your child to school with a coat, hat, and mittens. **PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL CLOTHING.**
- Please contact the office or send a note with your child for all drop off/pick up information. Please do not email or text teachers - they do not always get a chance to check their phones/emails while teaching multiple grades/subjects.
- Our lunch help is assisting 41 students in each of our two 25 minute lunch periods. To help them out, please keep foods that need to be heated in a microwave to a minimum and we ask that you do not send any items to be microwaved at all on Pizza Thursdays.

# Class Challenge

TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO SELL 50/50 TICKETS, WE WILL HAVE A CLASS CHALLENGE. THE WINNING CLASS WILL RECEIVE AN ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY. THE RUNNER UP CLASS WILL RECEIVE A SMALLER ICE CREAM CUP PARTY. TICKETS NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY OCTOBER 20TH TO BE COUNTED FOR THE CLASS CHALLENGE. WE WILL HOLD A SECOND CONTEST AND PARTY IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONOR FOR SPONSORING THE ICE CREAM PARTIES!



## Student Council

Speeches for student council positions for 2021-22 school year will be held Thursday, Sept. 30th. Officer positions will be announced by Friday, October 1st.

## Faith Formation & Youth group Information

Weekly meetings for Faith Formation will begin October 3rd beginning with Mass at 9:00 AM and ending at 11:00AM. We will continue to meet every other Sunday of each month except for Holidays. Please contact the office for more information at 366-5592. A youth group schedule was given at the time of sign-ups on September 19th. Click link below for more information.

[Faith Formation Info.](#)



## A Message from our Home and School Committee

All families are required to serve 100 approved service hours in addition to paying their tuition. Unfulfilled service hours are charged \$12/hour at the end of April, 2022.

### HOW TO MEET YOUR 100 SERVICE HOURS

#### 1. SELL 50/50 TICKETS (2 tickets =1 service hour)

There are 4 area churches we can sell to. To sign up to sell at a church, click on this link:

[CHURCH SIGN UP](#)

Please review the available slots and click on the button to sign up.

#### 2. Send out donation letters to family or friends. Your child brought them home w/instructions this week.

#### 3. Call/text Jenny at 989.387.2608 for Lunch/Recess help. Lunch/recess is from 11:00am - 12:30pm.

#### 4. Secretarial help: Make follow up phone calls, assist our secretaries, etc.

#### 5. Various maintenance help: Organize the uniform closet, supply closet and/or help with maintenance.

If you have any questions or need any help please feel free to contact me.

**Liz Hoogerhyde, President of Home and School, 989-915-0006 or help4usw@yahoo.com**

**"Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21**

# Arrival & Dismissal

To have traffic flow better for arrival and dismissal, please enter from the EAST by the Chinese restaurant/Church side and exit out the WEST by the school/Dollar store side of the building. We have vehicles driving against the flow of traffic and driving too fast out of the parking lot at dismissal time. Please be careful, hold your young child's hand all the way to the car. **If you would like to stay in your vehicle for dismissal, please arrive around 3:15ish and enter from the East.** We will recognize most of you and send your child out to you. If you are a new family, a staff member may come to your window to make sure we are sending the correct child with you. Thank you for driving safe in the parking lot and for your patience as we get the routine down.



## OLL Bus Info

- The OLL bus MUST leave the St. Micheal's parking lot no later than 7:30am in order to get to school on time. As the weather gets colder, the bus will have to leave at 7:25 in order to get all the little ones unpacked, take their boots off, and down to the gym for morning prayer on time.
- **There will be no OLL Bus service the morning of Sept. 27 and from October 4th-November 2nd, due to Mr. Duncan's vacation and no substitute bus driver. OLL bus service will resume Nov. 3rd.**
- Please send your child with a mask for the bus. This is a State mandate for every child that rides the bus in Michigan.

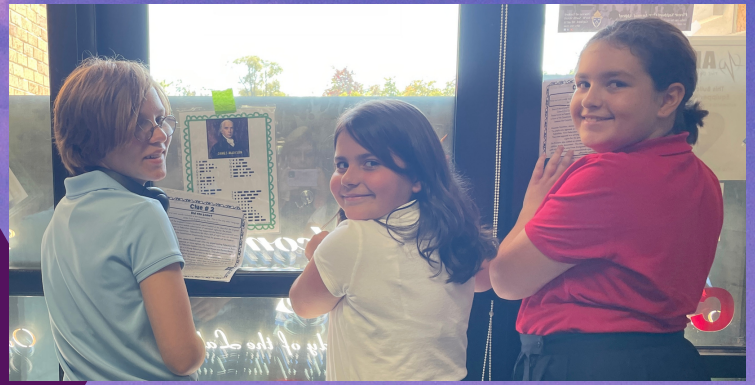
## Piano Lessons Availabe!

Mrs. Laur, our music teacher, will be offering private piano lessons on Thursday afternoons. Lessons are \$15.00 per 30-minute lesson (books are an additional cost). Please call Mrs. Laur at 989-3660123 or email at [cindyglaur@gmail.com](mailto:cindyglaur@gmail.com) to set up a lesson time.



## Things Students can do at home to help themselves & their teachers

- Practice tying shoes
- Practice zipping coats
- Addition & subtraction flash cards up to 20 (1st-3rd) grades.
- Multiplication flash cards up to 12 for grades 3rd-8th every night for 5 min.



Visit our face book page & website at

<https://www.ollrcs.org/school/>  
for more pictures & updates!

## UPCOMING DATES!

- Mon Sept. 27th: No OLL Bus in the morning
- Tues, Sept. 28th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Wed, Sept. 29th: Student Mass at 9:00am
- Thurs, Sept. 30: Student Council speeches (5th-8th grade)
- Thurs, Sept. 30th: Pizza Day - pay through FACTS
- Thurs, Sept 30th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Tues, Oct. 5th: PreK Field trip permission slips and can good due.
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- Wed, Oct. 6th: Student Mass at 9:00am
- Thurs, Oct. 7th: **PICTURE DAY** - Dress Down Day - Wear your favorite outfit for pictures.
- Thurs, Oct. 7th: Pizza Day - pay through FACTS
- Thurs, Oct. 7th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Fri, Oct. 8th: PreK Field Trip to Barts-depart at 9:45



Dear OLLRCS Parents,

You all have such amazing kids and our staff is really becoming attached to them. We have seen a lot of growth in just a month of school. As the weather turns colder, make sure your child has a sweatshirt or coat. Please label all clothing with your child's name. We do our best to return items to their owners, but it is difficult. A lost and found box will be located in the cafeteria this year. K-8th grade students are all taking the national NWEA tests in Math, English, Reading and Science this month. This test shows teachers student strengths and weaknesses. We will test again in May of 2022 to see their progress. We have also been working very hard to remind students of good manners throughout the day by saying please, thank you, and greeting others. Hopefully, you are noticing a difference at home too. We thank you so much for keeping our OLLRCS community healthy by continuing to take precautions when your children are showing COVID symptoms. I am so grateful for your partnership in educating this next generation of students.

May God continue to keep our OLLRCS community safe & healthy,  
Michelle L. Johnson  
OLLRCS Principal