



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

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COVID Rates Rising in Roscommon County

COVID rates are on the rise in Roscommon County. We are extremely blessed that OLLRCS has had NO exposure to report. However, surrounding schools are experiencing rising rates of positive cases and students quarantining. Please continue to keep your child home when they are feeling ill or have flu-like symptoms. Thank you for your efforts in keeping our school community healthy and safe!

Message from our Health Department: When there is a COVID exposure, students wearing masks full time while in the building are considerably less likely to be required to quarantine.

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.



Veterans Day Assembly

OLLRCS staff and students invite all Veterans and immediate family to join our Veterans Day assembly.

- **When: November 11, 2021**
- **Where: OLLRCS Gymnasium**
- **10:00am - 10:30am - Coffee & Donuts for Veterans and family members**
- **10:30-11:15am- Veterans Day Assembly - All are welcome.**
- **11:15- 11:30am - Middle School students will raise the American flag outside our building with Retired Captain, US Marine Corps, Marc Milburn's assistance**

2021-22 School Calendar Link

Staff Reminders

- Thanks you for calling or emailing before 8:20am when your child is absent. This saves our office staff a lot of time making phone calls.
- Our lunch staff asks that you do not send students with items that take more than 30 seconds to heat up. We are too understaffed to cook items.
- 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.**
- All classes have snack around 10:00am every day. Students must eat a **HEALTHY** snack at this time. Please make sure your child has an healthy option for snack time.



End of 1st MP is Oct. 29th. Make sure you are monitoring your child's grades on line through FACTS!

Academic Progress

Students in Mrs. Koupal's & Mrs. McKuen's class 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
- K: kpacella@ollrcs.org
- 1st Grade: rkruse@ollrcs.org
- 2nd/3rd: ksmith@ollrcs.org
- 3rd-5th: akoupal@ollrcs.org
- 6th-8th: amckuen@ollrcs.org
- Office staff: ollsc@ollrcs.org
- Principal: mjohnson@ollrcs.org



Congratulations to our Advent Play Cast!

Cast List

Kevin.....	Thomas Janisse
Lauren.....	Laura Janisse
Jonathan	Ryan Galea
Mom.....	Emma Hoogerhyde
Isaac.....	Colt Eckstorm
Choir Director.....	Kobe Scott
Carol Angel.....	Faith McNeill
Peggy Sue.....	Olivia Thomas
Buffy.....	Kayla Champagne
Tomara.....	Abbey Bosel
Mr. Keys.....	Saul Pulido
Kids 1, 3, 5.....	Mason Reed
Kids 2, 4, 6.....	Annie Barnes

Advent Play Information

OLLRCS will be holding our annual Advent Play December 16th. This years play is titled, "A Christmas Carol" and we will have performances at 1:00pm and 6:00pm. Every class will have at least one song to perform and will practice during music class with Mrs. Laur. We are looking for a stage crew to set up on Dec. 13th and tear down the stage on Friday, Dec. 17th. If you are interested in helping with the stage set up, tear down, and transportation of the stage, please contact our play director, Amy Galea-Ruff at (989)709-6791 or AGALEA81@gmail.com.

OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP EVERYDAY AND WILL LEAD OUR SCHOOL PLAY!

2nd Class Challenge

THANK YOU FOR TURNING IN YOUR 50/50 TICKETS THIS WEEK. THE WINNING AND RUNNER UP CLASSES WILL RECEIVE AN ICE CREAM PARTY WED, OCT. 20TH. ARE HAVING A 2ND AND FINAL 50/50 TICKET SELLING CLASS CHALLENGE. ALL SOLD & UNSOLD TICKETS NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY NOVEMBER 17TH TO BE COUNTED FOR THE CLASS CHALLENGE. THE DRAWING IS SUNDAY, NOV. 21ST FOLLOWING 9:00AM MASS THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONOR FOR SPONSORING THE ICE CREAM PARTIES!



Shirt Orders

Last week, your child brought home a shirt order form. Orders due Oct. 29 and they will arrive around Thanksgiving time. Thank you McNeill Graphics!



A Message from Home and School

Please participate in the following 3 items:

1. Send out your 3 donation letters that your child brought home or return the letters. Donors receive sponsorship if mailed in by Nov. 21st!
2. SELL 50/50 TICKETS (2 tickets =1 service hr)
There are 4 area churches we can sell to. Sign up to sell at a church using this link:

[CHURCH SIGN UP](#)

3. Use Amazon Smile for all your purchases through Amazon. OLLRCS gets a percentage of your purchase at no extra cost to you. Use the link: [AMAZON SMILE](#) or to see more ways to help, click: [6 Ways to help OLLRCS flyer](#)

Liz Hoogerhyde, President
help4usw@yahoo.com
989-915-0006



Vision & Hearing Tests November 8th

Many students will be have either their hearing or vision tested November 8th during school.

- Vision Tests: 1st, 3rd, 5th, & 7th Grade students
- Hearing Tests: PreK, K, 2nd, and 4th grades

For more information about the testing, click on the following links:

[VISION TEST LINK](#)

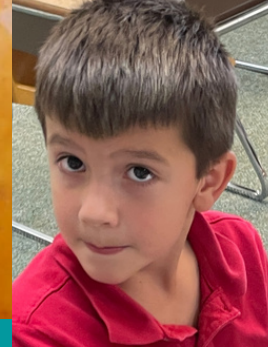
[HEARING TEST LINK](#)



"Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

All Saints Day

November 1st is All Saints Day and students may dress up as their favorite saint. We will celebrate Mass on Monday, Nov. 1st, instead of Wed. Nov. 3rd. On All Saints Day, the church celebrates all the saints and the multitude of those who are in heaven enjoying the beatific vision that are only known to God. During the early centuries the Saints venerated by the Church were all martyrs. Later on the Popes set November 1 as the day for commemorating all the Saints. All Souls Day is November 2nd, in which we will pray for all those who have died and are waiting to join God in heaven.



Home
&
School

Zoom Meeting
Oct. 26th at 4:15pm.
All are welcome!

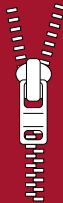
Safety Drills!

This week, we will have completed half of our 10 required safety drills mandated by the State of Michigan. We have completed a lockdown, tornado drill and 3 fire drills. Despite 33 additional students to our building, we have managed to get ALL students in their safe place in less than 1 minute every time. Students are hurrying, helping one another, have a calm composure, and listening to the adults. I am so impressed with the mature behavior of our student body when in an emergency. Bravo to our parents who have raised amazing children we are blessed to be with daily!



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

- Practice tying shoes
- Practice zipping coats
- Read every night for 15 minutes
- Addition & subtraction flash cards up to 20 (1st-3rd) grades.
- Multiplication flash cards 1-12 for grades 3rd-8th every night for 5 minutes





Please join our Home & School
zoom meeting
Tues, Oct. 26th at 4:15 pm:
Meeting ID: 835 1013 9258
Password: 7zVwK5
All are welcome!

We
have
22 Days
till our 1st
AR Awards
Ceremony.
Encourage your child
to read AR books!



UPCOMING DATES!

- Oct. 23 & 24th: Sign up to sell 50/50 tickets at Mass
- Tues, Oct 26th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Tues, Oct 26th: Home & School zoom meeting @4:15
- Wed, Oct. 27th: Ice Cream Party for Class winners
- Thurs, Oct.28th: Pizza Day - pay through FACTS
- Thurs, Oct. 28th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Fri, Oct. 29th: OLLRCS shirt orders due.
- Fri, Oct. 29th: Jean day - Wear your favorite pumkin or sports team shirt. Go Spartains! Go Bobcats!
- Oct. 30 & 31st: Sign up to sell 50/50 tickets at Mass
- Mon, Nov. 1: No HL bus, HL has no school, but we do!
- Mon, Nov. 1st: All Saints Day-Student Mass @ 9:00am, you may dress as your favoite Saint.
- Tues, Nov 2nd: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Tues, Nov. 2nd: All Souls Day - Pray for all souls!
- Wed, Nov. 3rd: Report cards sent home/NO Mass
- Thurs, Nov. 4th Pizza Day - pay through FACTS
- Thurs, Nov. 4th: STAR Track After School Tutoring
- Sun, Nov. 7th: Daylight Savings Time/Set clocks back!

Dear OLLRCS Parents,

We just finished our last fall field trip today. We thank Bart's Food Market and Fleming Farms for having our students. We received many compliments from all of our groups on their excellent behavior and manners. It truly is a joy to be with this group of students!

Many neighboring schools are experiencing a rise in positive COVID cases and several students quarantining due to exposure. Please continue to take extra precautions and keep your child home if they are not feeling well. We have been so blessed for a year and a half to have minimal COVID cases/exposure to maintain "in person" instruction. If your child is exposed to COVID, you will be notified.

Our staff appreciates your continued support and partnership with OLLRCS! Have a wonderful weekend !

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

Nurturing Minds, Strengthening Faith,
Fostering Virtue

