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

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Congratulations Madilyn Miller & Mrs. Bawek's PreK class!

Congratulations to Madalynn Miller for being the top seller of our Online Fruit Fundraiser. Maddy sold 11 cases of fruit totaling \$310, in which the school profited \$93. The class with the highest sales was Mrs. Bawek's PreK class. The PreK class will enjoy a pizza party on Monday, February 14th at lunch time, courtesy of the McNeill family. PreK parents are asked to pack a very light lunch to go with their child's pizza on Monday, Feb. 14th. Thank you to everyone that participated in our online fruit fundraiser and thank you to Laura McNeill for heading this online fundraiser!

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7th/8th Grade Washington DC Class Trip Zoom Meeting

Date: February 14th, 2022 Time: 5:00 PM

Meeting ID: 826 2274 0746 Passcode: 303564

Trip Dates: May 13th-15th, 2022 Sign up at <u>worldstrides.com/register</u> using Trip ID#: 201228

Principal's Newsletter

CDC changes COVID Guidelines on Jan. 15th

The CDC recently changed their recommended guidelines for all public and nonpublic schools. The changes were emailed to you January 18th. All schools in the Diocese of Gaylord follow the recommendations of the CDC and their local health department. Below is a link to an example letter explaining the changes for close contacts. This is just an example.

Link to Covid-19 school procedures

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.

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VALENTINE DRESS DOWN FOR DC DONATIONS Make a donation of any size Feb. 14th and you may dress down and wear your favorite valentines day clothes! It's a fun day to wear red or pink. All proceeds go towards the DC Field trip.

2021-22 School Calendar Link

On-line Grading

Students in Mrs. Koupal and Mrs. McKuen's class have grades posted on-line in our FACTS system. Follow the promps below:

- Family Portal
- Student
- Grades

We are already 3 weeks into the 3rd Marking Period. Feel free to email your child's teacher

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

2022-2023 School Registration

Student Registration information for next school year!

OLLRCS has been blessed with amazing students/families this year! We have 4 of our 6 classrooms completely filled. Our school office has already received inquiries for the upcoming school year and indicators show we will be at our full capacity in some sections. Classrooms will be softcapped at 15 and hard-capped at 18 students in all classes for next year, assuring class sizes maintain a small teacher-student ratio. We encourage you to register your child through our FACTS family portal and pay the \$100 registration fee plus the \$10 FACTS fee as soon as you are eligible to do so if you intend on returning. As you can see below, we are giving our existing families first priority to re-enroll for the next school year.

- Open registration for returning families begins April 4th
- Open registration for parish families begins April 18th
- Open registration for all families begins April 25th

Once a section is filled, students will be placed on a waiting list. Additional sections will open when/if OLLRCS hires a highly qualified teacher that possesses the loving, caring, hard-working, and extremely dedicated qualities that our existing teachers have. OLLRCS is committed to providing a high-quality academic and spiritual education with small class sizes encompassed in a safe environment. We can not save spots for returning families past April 17th as enrolment opens up for parish families and the general public on April 25th.

TALENT SHOW MARCH 3RD!

THIS YEAR'S TALENT SHOW IS MARCH 3RD AT 1:00PM DURING SCHOOL! TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS WERE FEB. 10TH DURING SCHOOL. BELOW IS A LINK TO THE GUIDELINES WE WOULD LIKE STUDENTS TO FOLLOW IF THEY ARE PARTICIPATING.

LINK TO TALENT SHOW RULES

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE 2022 TALENT SHOW, PLEASE CONTACT AMY GALEA AT AGALEA81@GMAIL.COM

PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES STILL NEEDED

Thank you to all that have brought in packages of plastic water bottles. We still could use more to get us through this school year. With the many germs out there and the different strands of Covid, OLLRCS does not feel it is wise to turn on the water fountains. We appreciate any packs of plastic bottled water you are

able to bring in.

forget Popcorn Friday's for \$1.00. Sign up to make popcorn in the cafeteria!

Service Hour Forms

To receive service hours, you must turn in the form below to the office. Make sure to count your hours at home too! You do not need to fill out a form for lunch help or the online fundraisers. All hours must be approved by the principal, not a teacher. An arrangement with the teacher should be made if helping in a room.

Link to Service Hour Form

Home and school committee wants to remind families that have under 100 service hours that they will be charged \$12 per unfinished hour the 3rd week of April. Please be turning in your service hours to avoid this charge. For additional questions, contact: Pres. Liz Hoogerhyde, help4usw@yahoo.com 989-915-0006

Picture retakes scheduled for Wednesday, March 2nd!

If you are wanting to get picture retakes, please send your unwanted picture packet with your child. Picture retakes and yearbook pictures will be March 2nd after 9:00am Mass. If you have additional questions, please contact the office at 989-366-5592.

First Mock Battle this Saturday at Public Library!

Saturday, February 12th is the first Mock Battle of the Books (BOB) at 1:00pm at the public library. BOB practices are every Tuesday and Thursday after school until 4:30pm and will end March 3rd. Thank you to our BOB team members for commiting themselves to this rigorous reading program. We wish you the best of luck this Saturday!

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you." Ephesians 4:32 Mrs. Pacella and her husband would like to announce to our school family that they are expecting their first child in August of 2022! Our staff is beyond overjoyed & cannot wait for the arrival of Baby Pacella! Thank you for sharing your most precious news with our school community!

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An AR reading ceremony will be held on March 8th. Please encourage your child to read AR books so they can be recognized during our celebration!



 Mon, Feb. 14th: Valentine Dress Down for Donations • Mon, Feb. 14th: Library - Please return library books Mon, Feb. 14th: PreK Pizza Party - Fundraiser winners • Tues, Feb. 15th: Student Mass today instead of Wed. • Tues, Feb. 15th: After School Tutoring/BOB Practice • Wed, Feb. 16th: No student Mass. Father out of town • Thurs, Feb. 17th: Pizza Day-Purchase through FACTS • Thurs, Feb. 17th: After School Tutoring/BOB Practice • Fri, Feb. 18th: NO SCHOOL - Mid Winter Break! • Mon, Feb. 21st: NO SCHOOL - Mid Winter Break! Tues, Feb. 22nd: After School Tutoring & BOB Practice • Wed, Feb. 23rd: No student Mass. Father out of town • Thurs, Feb. 24th: Pizza Day - pay through FACTS • Thurs, Feb 24th: After School Tutoring & BOB Practice • Fri, Feb. 25th: Student Mass today instead of Wed. • Fri, Feb. 25th: Popcorn Friday! Bring \$1 for popcorn.



Dear OLLRCS Parents,

This has been the most exhausting, but very worth while 2 weeks of our school year. Catholic Schools Week was so much fun for us all and I can not thank you enough for the enormous parent and staff support we had to ensure our children stay safe while having fun. Our most dangerous time of the day is lunch recess when children are not listening to the volunteer playground supervisors. Please make sure your child knows that the adult supervising them is the "teacher" in charge. We want to keep everyone safe at all times, especially when having fun. Father will be out of town from Feb. 16 - Feb. 24th and student - led Mass has been adjusted, so please refer to the "Upcoming Dates" to the left of this message to see our schedule. Thank you for continuing to pray for the health and well being of our school families, as we have experienced very little guarantining and illness due to COVID since Christmas. We wish our Battle of the Books teams the best of luck this <u>Saturday, as they have their first Mock battle at the</u> Public Library.

May God continue to keep our OLLRCS community safe & healthy,

Michelle L. Johnson OLLRCS Principal

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