



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

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Congrats November Disciples!
Congratulations to the following students that were November's Disciples of the month.

- PreK- Campbell Wolfe
- K - Mattie Haf
- 1st/2nd - Essabella Lezotte
- 3rd - Colton Johnson
- 4th/5th - Trace Paiva
- 6th-8th - Mason Reed

Students were chosen for their Christian behavior, kindness to others, and making improvements in themselves. They were treated to Buccilli's pizza Dec. 5th.

Home & School Zoom Meeting
All are welcome and will receive 1 family service hour for attending!

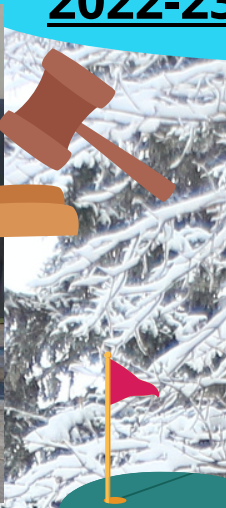
December 14th, at 8:00pm

[Link to Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 894 9870 5584

Passcode: i7HcN8

2022-23 School Calendar Link



Academic Progress

We are already in the middle of the 2nd Marking Period which ends Jan. 19th. Grades and assignments are posted on line for students in Mrs. Koupal's and Mrs. McKuen's classes. Go to FACTS & click :

- Family Portal
- Student
- Grades

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

- PreK: abawek@ollrcs.org
- Kindergarten: mmcinerney@ollrcs.org
- 1st/2nd: rkruse@ollrcs.org
- 3rd: ksmith@ollrcs.org
- 4th-5th: akoupal@ollrcs.org
- 6th-8th: amckuen@ollrcs.org
- Secretarial staff: ollsc@ollrcs.org
- Principal: mjohnson@ollrcs.org

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING - May 31, 2024

We are looking for parents to join our golf committee! Our annual golf outing is May 31st, 2024 and Tee Off time is at 10am at Pine View Golf course. Please contact Mrs. Johnson at 989-366-5592 or mjohnson@ollrcs.org if you are interested in helping with our end of the year golf outing. You can earn many service hours being involved in this event!

Little Caesars Fundraiser Success!

We'd like to give a big thank you to everyone who supported our Little Caesar fundraiser. We raised \$873.00! HENRY ZULTAK was our top seller. He sold 28 kits. Way to go. Special shout outs to the Waites, Oster, Powell, Evans and Scott families for selling over 15 kits each.



SCHOOL CLOSURES

School closures due to bad weather will be announced on 9 & 10 News & a parent text alert will be sent by 6:30am!



Holiday Shoppe Success!

Our Student Council members thank you so much for your generous purchases using our Holliday Shoppe! The students seemed to all have a blast and your generous shopping allowed our Student Council members to raise \$835 this year! The money will be used for our 7th/8th grade end of the year field trip to Mackinac Island in May!

NEW LUNCH HELP PROCEDURE

Our new procedure for lunch/recess supervision is working very well for our lunch crew. Please continue using the calendar link below if you would like to help out. This form is the only way we can guarantee you receive your family service hours. Remember you must have completed a background, virtue training, and fingerprints on file if you volunteer over 8 hours a month. Please contact our lunch supervisor, Maria Tomma, at miacozmo1@gmail.com for additional information.

[LINK TO DECEMBER SIGN IN](#)

Advent Play Info!

OLLRCS will be holding our annual Advent Play December 19th with performances at 1:00pm and 6:00pm. Every class has 2 or more songs to perform and are asked to wear the suggested clothes in the link below. We are looking for a stage crew to set up on Dec. 11th and tear down on Wednesday, Dec. 20th. If you are interested in helping with the stage set up or tear down for service hours, please contact our play director, Amy Galea-Ruff at (989)709-6791 or AGALEA81@gmail.com.

[Link to Suggested clothing for Play.](#)



Please welcome our newest staff members, PreK aid, Mrs. Finton and Assistant Secretary, Miss Jackie!

Faith Formation Info.

Your family is welcome to our parish/school Christmas party Dec. 10th at 4pm in the school gym. Please bring a dish to pass. We would also like to invite you to our 3rd Community Youth Mass on December 17th. Please send an email to macke1aa@gmail.com if your child is interested in participating. Join us for coffee and treats in the school cafeteria afterward. A special thank you to those families who are assisting with serving and lecturing. We pray this will be a spirit filled experience for all the youth who are involved.

[Link to Faith Formation Newsletter](#)
[Message from Bishop Walsh](#)



4TH-6TH Grade Battle of the Books

Keil Stevens from the HL Public Library talked with all of our 4th-6th grade students this week about our upcoming Battle of the Books Competitions. Below is a link for more information.

[Link to HL Public Library](#)



HOME & SCHOOL

All families are required to complete 100 service hours per school year. Your account will be charged in April of 2024 for any unfinished hours. Hours may be worked off until the last day of school, June 6, 2024.

[Link to Service Hour Form](#)

Please contact a Home and School officer if you have any further questions:
President: rachelfullmer1@gmail.com
VP: heather.king3115@kirtland.edu
Secretary: lewis.jen913@gmail.com
Treasurer: krisandlea@gmail.com

Reminders from our Staff!

- Please make sure your child knows how they are getting home from school. We are experiencing way too many 3rd-8th grade students wanting to call home throughout the day. This is a distraction to our classrooms and secretarial staff. We ask that the office phone be used for emergencies only. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Hot lunch orders must be received before 8:00 the day of hot lunch. We are having orders called in very late and/or have had between 10-15 students without a lunch each week in November. We do not order extras, so it is very difficult to give your child the hot lunch that the other kids are having if you do not pre-order. We do have cereal and other items available so that no child goes hungry.
- Students are asked to wear boots to school, change into school shoes (NO HEASLS), and have a pair of gym shoes with white, red, navy, or black socks. This will help tracking in salt and save our gym floor.
- PLEASE LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING.

"Do not fear: I am with you; do not be anxious: I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." Isaiah 41:10

Friday, December 15th is comfy cozy dress down day! Students may wear their favorite sweats and comfortable clothes. Please NO pajamas.



Toys for Tots!
A huge thank you to everyone who donated items for toys for tots! The box was picked up this week. We appreciate your kindness and generosity to those less fortunate.

Congrats K of C Essay Contest finalists!
Congratulations to runner ups Saul Pulido and Aleah Oster as well as Annie Barnes (3rd place), Mason Reed (2nd place), and Faith Zeilke (1st place) who were finalist in the Knights of Columbus Essay Contest. Their essays will be entered into the district level competition. Congratulations to all our finalists!



UPCOMING DATES!

- Sun, Dec. 10th: Parish/school Christmas Party @4pm in school gymnasium. Please bring a dish to pass.
- Mon, Dec. 11th: Library day, return your library books
- Tues, Dec. 12th: Tutoring & MS play practice till 4:30
- Wed, Dec. 13th: Student-led Mass @9am. All Welcome
- Thurs, Dec. 14th: Student Penance 4th-8th grade
- Thurs, Dec. 14th: Tutoring & MS play practice till 4:30
- Fri, Dec. 15th: Comfy - Cozy Dress down day - No PJ's
- Fri, Dec. 15th: Popcorn Friday - Bring \$1 per bag
- Mon, Dec. 18th: Library day, return your library books
- Tues, Dec. 19th: Advent Play -1pm & 6pm performances
- Tues, Dec. 19th: Tutoring CANCELLED
- Dec. 20 - Jan. 1st - Christmas Break - NO SCHOOL

SEE YOU ALL NEXT YEAR ON JAN. 2ND!

Dear OLLRCS Parents,

We have had an eventful past few weeks with raising over \$300 for Oasis of Hope for the homeless, St. Nicholas's Day, going to the Michigan Supreme Court Learning center field trip, Holliday Shoppe, and announcing our Nov. Disciples and K of C Essay Contest winners. We are thrilled that our students are getting some really unique and unforgettable learning experiences. We are excited that our annual Advent play is coming up on Dec. 19th with performances at 1pm and 6pm. This is always an exciting event for our students and one our audience really enjoys. We have some fun and exciting days planned for the students as we approach the end of the fiscal year. We thank everyone for all they do to ensure a safe and caring atmosphere for our students to learn and thrive in, especially our many volunteers. Without their help and dedication to OLLRCS, there is no way our days would operate smoothly. Our parent involvement and volunteerism is the secret to our success! Thank you for your continued support of OLLRCS!

Many Blessings,

Michelle L. Johnson
OLLRCS Principal

Nurturing Minds, Strengthening Faith,
Fostering Virtues



We have had so much fun with your kids! Here are some photos from our Holiday Shoppe and St. Nicholas Day, which was Dec. 6th!

[Link to Student Senate's Upcoming Cookie Walk December 17th](#)

