

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Veterans Day Success!

Thank you to our many veterans and families that attended our Veterans Day Assembly Nov. 11th. We received numerous compliments on how well our students performed and behaved. Many complemented our student body for their display of respect towards our veterans throughout the entire 50 minute program, especially our little ones. I believe weekly Mass helps our student body exceed people's behavioral expectations. All students did an amazing job saying the pledge of allegiance, singing "God Bless America", singing "I Thank God", their class performances, and respectfully giving their hand made cards to our veterans. A special shout out to our middle school students who talked with veterans before the assembly, wrote veterans day speeches and helped in the outdoor flag raising. Watching our students perform and behave appropriately and gaining the community's respect for our students on such a special day truly is one of the most rewarding parts of our job

Class Challenge Winners

Congratulations to Mrs. McKuen's class who won the final Big Ticket Class Challenge. Mrs. McKuen's class will be treated to an ice cream sometime next week. We have only 278 tickets to sell to have three \$5000 winners like prior years. Thank you to all that participated in selling and purchasing our Big Cash raffle tickets. The drawing is this Sunday, October 17th at Our Lady of the Lake Church in the gathering space following 9am Mass. All winners will be notified by phone on Sunday, October 17th.

2024-25 School Calendar Link

Big Cash Raffle Church Sign-up

LAST WEEKEND TO SELL TICKETS IN CHURCH! Please consider signing up on the form below. Earn 1 service hour for every 2 big cash raffle tickets sold! Tickets can be signed out in the school office between 8am-4pm. You may sell at other locations if you have the owner's permission. Drawing is this Sunday, Nov. 17th in the gathering space at OLL church following 9am Mass.

Click to Reserve your spot!

November is Homeless Awareness Month

Our Student Council is sponsoring a "Pay for Plaid" Jeans day on Nov. 26th. Students may bring in a donation of any denomination and wear plaid. All proceeds will benefit our local Oasis Homeless Shelter. Thank you for your Generosity!

HOME & SCHOOL

All families are required to complete 100 service hours per school year. All hours completed now will go toward the 2024-25 school year. Hours may be worked off until the last day of school, June 11, 2025.

Link to Service Hour Form

Please contact a Home and School officer if you have any further questions:
President: samantha.opperman@fmins.com
VP: heather.king3115@kirtland.edu
Secretary: open for vote
Treasurer: krisandlea@gmail.com



School Closings!

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

Academic Progress

Students in Mrs. Koupal's & Mrs. McKuen's & classes have 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
- Kindergarten: sfinton@ollrcs.org
- K/1st: rkruse@ollrcs.org
- 2nd: lrobb@ollrcs.org
- 3rd/4th: ksmith@ollrcs.org
- 4th-5th: akoupal@ollrcs.org
- 6th-8th: amckuen@ollrcs.org
- Secretarial staff: ollsc@ollrcs.org
- Principal: mjohnson@ollrcs.org



Congratulations October Disciples

Congratulations to our October Disciples:

PreK/K: Trenten Duncan
K/1st Grade: Kennedy Duncan
2nd Grade: Natasha Hibbard
3rd/4th Grade: Mariah Benson
4th/5th Grade: Dillon Ellis
6th-8th Grade: Trenten Powell

Students were nominated by their teachers for their growth and virtuous behaviors. Students received Buccilli's pizza on Nov. 5th.





Our Goal:
1000
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Please help participate in our
CAN DRIVE!

All proceeds will go to St Vincent's Food Pantry
Starts: October 31st

Ends: November 22nd

If participating, please bring
only canned or non-perishable food items*

Sponsored by:

Our Lady of the Lake
Regional Catholic School Student Council



Advent Play Info!

OLLRCS will be holding our annual Advent Play December 19th with performances at 1:00pm and 6:00pm. Every class will have 2 songs to perform and will practice during school with Mrs. Fagerlie. We are looking for a stage crew to set up on Dec. 13th and tear down the stage on Friday, Dec. 20th. If you are interested in helping with the stage set up or tear down for service hours, please contact our play director, Jamie Fagerlie at jamiefagerlie@gmail.com.

Reminders from our Staff!

- Hot lunch orders must be received before 8:45 the day of hot lunch. Late orders are NOT guaranteed.
- Please have your child bring a water bottle every day filled with WATER ONLY. Please NO SUGAR DRINKS, PROPEL, ETC.
- As the weather turns colder, please send your child to school with boots, coat, hat, and mittens. PLEASE LABEL YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL CLOTHING. Students may wear red, white, tan/khaki, navy sweaters or OLLRCS sweatshirts while indoors.
- Starting in November, the handbook states NO SHORTS and that leggings must be worn under all skirts/dresses.
- Please make sure your child has a healthy option for snack time at 10am, even on hot lunch day. Many are forgetting Wed - Friday.

Faith Formation Info.

Faith Formation classes are here! Faith Formation Information: Below is a link to the youth registration form and faith formation calendar. All students are welcome. If you have any further questions, please text Steve at 801-644-6085.

[Link to Youth Faith Formation Form](#)

[Link to Faith Formation Calendar.](#)

If you would like to be more involved with our church ministry and see how your child can contribute, please contact **Amber Buccilli** at amber.buccilli@nmcac4kids.org. Our student-led Mass is every 3rd Sunday of the month at 9am. Hope you will consider sharing your child's talents with us.

[Link to Faith Formation Newsletter](#)

[Message from Bishop Walsh](#)

Lunch Help Needed Everyday!

To join our lunch staff, please sign up using the calendars below if your background requirements are completed:

[Link to October Lunch help](#)

[Link to November Lunch Help](#)

All hot lunches are available through our FACTS portal & must be purchased prior to 8am.

Requirements to Help in the School

WE NEED PARENTS TO HELP at lunch and recess from 11:15-12:45 everyday. All volunteers that work with students 8 or less hours/month need to have a background check and complete an online virus training. If you are working with students more than 8 hours a month, you will also need to get fingerprinted.

[ICHAT Background Check Form](#)
[Virtus TRAINING LINK](#)

For fingerprinting we use <https://www.identogo.com/services/live-scan-fingerprinting> and the most cost effective is West Branch or Gladwin & we will pay half if you turn in your receipt. Please contact the office if you have been fingerprinted at another facility. We may be able to save you this step.

Lil' Shopper's Shoppe

Our school is hosting a Lil' Shopper's Shoppe beginning on Monday, December 2nd. Children will have the opportunity to pick out their own inexpensive, high-quality gifts for family and friends. The Lil' Shopper's Shoppe is a program designed to allow children to shop independently at their school - in a safe and familiar environment. They can learn valuable skills such as planning, budgeting, and decision-making, while experiencing the joy of giving. The Lil' Shopper's Shoppe will be set up in the school and run by parent and school volunteers. There are gifts available for all members of your family: mom, dad, brothers, sisters, grandmas, grandpas, aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, teachers, and even pets! Gifts are priced from approximately \$0.25 to \$15.00, with most between \$3.00 to \$8.00. More details and order forms will be sent home with students at a later date.

Students will be shopping on the following schedule:

Monday, December 2nd - PreK & K

Tuesday, December 3rd - 1st & 2nd

Wednesday, December 4th - 3rd, 4th, & 5th

Thursday, December 5th - 6th, 7th & 8th

Friday, December 6th - Any student that may have been absent on their scheduled day or missed shopping.

A big thank you to all our parents and volunteers for making this event possible. We appreciate the support of our school community! <https://oursch.myschool.holidayshop>

UPCOMING DATES!

- Sun, Nov. 17 - Raffle drawing following 9am Mass @OLL
- Mon, Nov. 18 - Library - Return your books!
- Tues, Nov. 19 - Gym Day - Bring gym shoes.
- Tues, Nov. 19- MS Play Practice & Tutoring until 4:30
- Wed. Nov. 20 - Student-led Mass @9:00-All are Welcome
- Thurs. Nov. 21 - Tutoring after school until 4:30pm.
- Fri, Nov. 22 - Popcorn Friday! Please bring \$1/bag.
- Fri, Nov. 22- Gym Day - Bring gym shoes.
- Mon, Nov. 25 - 8am AR Ceremony - All are welcome!
- Mon, Nov. 25 - Library - Return your books!
- Tues, Nov. 26 - Pay for Plaid - Jeans Day - All donations benefit the Oasis Homeless Shelter in recognition of Homeless Awareness month.
- Tues, Nov. 26 - Nov. Disciples treated to Pizza Lunch
- Tues, Nov. 26 - Gym Day - Bring gym shoes.
- Tues, Nov. 26 - MS Play Practice & Tutoring until 4:30pm.
- Wed. Nov. 27- 29 - Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL



Dear OLLRCS Parents,

Thank you to all who attended our annual Veterans Day Assembly. The students did an exceptional job again this year and I received many compliments from our community. A special shout out to our retired service men who helped with the flag folding demonstration and outdoor flag raising ceremony along with our Middle school students who had a large role in this year's assembly. I have noticed a big growth this year in our student's maturity level. Students are stepping up in so many ways, making me so proud. Be sure you visit our Facebook page for more pictures from this week and as always, thank you for your continued support of OLLRCS and have a wonderful weekend!

Many Blessings,

Michelle L. Johnson
OLLRCS Principal



**Nurturing Minds, Strengthening Faith,
Fostering Virtues**

