

# OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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## November 2020 Newsletter

### **COVID – WEEKLY UPDATE!**

As we hear of the surge of COVID cases, we are thankful that our parents and student are continuing to be careful and following our guidelines. This week, I wish to thank all our parents and especially those who have adjusted to our new pick-up and drop-offs! This week we are tightening up the morning drop-off time and asking parents to drop off by **8:55 a.m.** so that teachers can start classes by 9 a.m. sharp. Doors open at 8:25 a.m. Any student who comes after 9 a.m. will be required to enter from the front doors as our staff and volunteers will be closing the back doors by 9 a.m. Thank you for continuing your safety protocols and moving slowly through our lot. Our after school pick-up is working incredibly well! Thank you to all parents who are staying safe and wearing masks in the pick-up locations, as well as keeping close to their cars while waiting for the siblings to exit!

### **MASKS WORK!**

As the news of COVID numbers increases every day, all we can do is our part to stay safe. It is critical to remember to continue doing the [daily screening checklist](#) (also found on OLS's website) and NOT send kids to school ill. Also continue to follow the return to school procedures found in OLS's [Newsletter-Reminders-2020-2021](#) for additional school information.

Also, you are reminded that our local health authority will notify the school of any direct exposures and if there happens to be any risks to our students, staff, or families.

Please continue to follow the Vancouver Coastal Health website: [www.vch.ca](http://www.vch.ca) and the exposure listings page: <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/school-exposures#.X4fbW8Vw86U.gmail>

Thank you for your continued diligence!

### **OCTOBER 30, 2020 – COLOUR DAY/HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL**

Students may come to school dressed in Halloween costumes or colours (dress in orange and black) on this day. The Halloween Committee will be running carnival games in the gym for each class during their regular gym class. Many prizes will be available to be won! Please remember this is a family fun event and NOT to bring scary costumes or costumes with weapons to school. We do not encourage store bought face coverings due to the need to stay ventilated throughout the day. Thank you to all our sponsors, and our amazing Halloween Committee who have managed to organize a fun yet safe Halloween Bash for our students!!

### **OCTOBER 30, 2020 & NOVEMBER 13, 2020 – READ-A-THON**

Reminder, **ALL** reading records need to be handed in on **Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** by 3:00 p.m. to be eligible for a prize. Please go to our website to view the Read-A-Thon video.

All Read-a-thon pledges are due on **Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** by 3:00 p.m. There will be a virtual Read-a-thon assembly on **Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**.

### **NOVEMBER 5, 2020 - AGAPE STREET MINISTRY DONATIONS**

Once again, we reach out to OLS families for their donations of extra Halloween candy. We will be accepting candy until **Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**. All candy donated will go to AGAPE Street Ministry.

### **NOVEMBER 9, 2020 – VIRTUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**

All parents/grandparents are welcome to join the OLS staff and students at a virtual Remembrance Day Service to be held on **Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** at **11:15 a.m.** we will be sending out the link to the service later next week.

### **NOVEMBER 11, 2020 – REMEMBRANCE DAY STAT HOLIDAY**

There will be no school on **Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**, as it is the Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday.

### **NOVEMBER 20, 2020 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL**

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**; therefore, there will be no school for students on this day.

### **PARISH MASSES – ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY!**

Please visit our Parish Website: [www.olos.ca](http://www.olos.ca) for the live Masses and Live updates. In this incredibly difficult time for many of us, our Parish, Father Richard, Father Testamar, and our Religious Sisters, do a wonderful job of providing us with hope and remind us that we are not alone; Jesus is with us. The Family Masses are a wonderful way to keep connected as a family and watch and pray together virtually, or in person by appointment. Call the Parish Office: 604-254-0691 to book your space!