

# OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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## October 15, 2020 Weekly E-Letter

### **COVID – WEEKLY UPDATE!**

As we here of more local schools being impacted by COVID, we are thankful that our parents are, and student are continuing to be careful and following our guidelines. This week, I wish to thank all our new participation parents and especially our new pick-up and drop-off TRAFFIC supervisors for being committed to their weekly jobs and ensuring all our students are safe!

Thank you to our parents who are following all our new rules and procedures as well.

Remember to continue Daily Screening checklist – **please see attached** and continue to follow the return to school procedures found on the 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!

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

I want to congratulate the students on a fantastic tale of the tape experience. This year we collected over 3,000 pieces. Thank you to all families for all your generous donations for the food bank, as the school greatly appreciates it!

Please go to our website [www.ourladyofsorrows.ca](http://www.ourladyofsorrows.ca) and click under the students menu after the grade 7 class, the **OLOS video page**. Mr. Stocker has added our **Food Drive, Read-a thon** and now our **Terry Fox** videos! – “ask Wayne how much was donated”

Thank you to all our students who ran so well and all our families who donated for cancer research!

Make sure you check our all our new student videos!

## **INTERMEDIATE FALL SPORTS UPDATE- COMMUNITY SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES UPDATE!**

We have now started our boys' soccer program this week. Please see the update from our soccer coaches sent home last week. As long as we stay healthy, our plan is to play soccer in October, and start our boys' and girls' volleyball program in November. Hopefully as we continue on this positive trajectory of keeping COVID away from our cohorts through the fall, we are anticipating basketball starting in January. Thank you to all students and parents who are doing their part at staying active and safe while keeping our cohorts COVID FREE!

As some of our kids including our Option 4 children have also restarted their community sports and activities again, please read Dr Bonnie Henry's update on community sports and spread.

"Pare it down': B.C.'s top doctor urges caution after COVID-19 exposures linked to sports | Globalnews.ca"

<https://globalnews.ca/news/7395454/bc-covid-19-rec-sports-bonnie-henry/>

Again, our grade cohorts are always separated from each other and all students play within their cohorts only! We ask parents who wish to watch from safe social distances to continue to wear masks or stay AT LEAST 6FT APART. Together we can stay safe until Christmas Break!

## **REMINDERS**

### **OCTOBER 1-31, 2020 – READ-A-THON**

Please refer to the notice that was sent home with students for further details. Reminder, **ALL** reading records need to be 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 Read-A-Thon video.

### **UNIFORMS**

This week and until spring, is the start of regular school uniform. Summer uniform will no longer be accepted. Also, please ensure that students have all items in good order and bring all items of their uniform including proper shoes and sweaters to school daily. Regular school uniforms do not include extreme haircuts, hair colouring and non-standard jewellery. Please ensure any highlighted hair is re-coloured or removed.

Uniform also includes ensuring students have adequate coats and footwear to handle 15mins of wet or winter weather when outside and moving between buildings or for a fresh air break.

**\*Sweaters are mandatory for all school functions such as Masses, School Assemblies, Para liturgies, and outings when representing the school.**

Please read the Policy Manual, which is included in the students' agendas. See Page 5, Item #5. Teachers will continue to do uniform checks after this date. Please ensure all uniform items comply with the Uniform Policy.

### **OCTOBER 19, 2020 – INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS FOR OPTION 4 STUDENTS & RE-TAKES**

School Pictures for Option 4 students and those that wish to do a retake will be on **Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**. Please ensure your child is dressed in full uniform on this day.

### **OCTOBER 21, 2020 – VIRTUAL LIVING ROSARY**

Students are expected to be in full uniform this day.

**OCTOBER 23, 2020 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL**

There will be a **Professional Development Day for OLS staff** on **Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>**. There will be no school for students on this day.

**OCTOBER 30, 2020 – COLOUR DAY**

Students may come to school dressed in Halloween costumes or colours (e.g. orange and black) on this day. More info will follow from the Halloween Committee.

**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.