

OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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November 9, 2020 Weekly E-Letter

COVID UPDATE!

As mentioned by Dr. Bonnie Henry on Saturday, November 8, 2020, there are new community travel, confined space, and outside family group visitor restrictions for the next 2 weeks.

<https://dailyhive.com/vancouver/vancouver-coastal-fraser-health-covid-19-restrictions#.X6mB5NACk-0.link>

These **new restrictions** are a direct result of outbreaks from large gatherings without proper distancing or masking. These restrictions do not apply to schools or businesses provided that we continue to follow our safety plans. Therefore, it is critical that we continue to do all we can to maintain our excellent safety record. Please continue to stay apart and wear masks when picking up your children.

Also, please continue to follow all Public Health guidelines (www.bccdc.ca), as they do have the power to fine and close schools and businesses if we do not continue to do our part. I am sure you are following the many exposure and outbreak notices on the Vancouver Coastal Health website (www.vch.ca). We have yet to have an exposure because of your diligence and care as parents! Thank you!

Again, our parents and students have been **OUTSTANDING!** I am confident we can continue to keep all OLS families safe until Christmas Break as you have all shown a great love of neighbour and have done your part to follow all guidelines. Together, we can continue to stay safe!

KINDERGARTEN 2021 SIBLING REGISTRATION FORM

A Kindergarten sibling registration form was sent home with students last week. If you have a child born in 2016 (sibling only), please complete the form and return to the school office by **Tuesday, November 10th**. In order to secure your child a spot, this form must be returned by the due date. **If we do not receive this form, and we have completed the registration process, your child will not have a spot for the September 2021 Kindergarten class.** Please contact the school office if you did not receive one.

NOVEMBER 10, 2020 – VIRTUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE- DATE CHANGE!

Our Virtual Remembrance Day Service has been moved to **Tuesday, November 10th** at **11:15 a.m.** We will not be live streaming this event, but the video will be made available on our OLOS Video page after the event. **Student can still bring money for poppies to their classroom teacher tomorrow. STUDENTS MUST BE IN FULL UNIFORM (SWEATERS AND BLACK SHOES) for this EVENT!**

NOVEMBER 11, 2020 – REMEMBRANCE DAY STAT HOLIDAY

There will be no school on **Wednesday, November 11th**, as it is the Remembrance Day Statutory Holiday. Please take a minute of time at 11 a.m. to honour all those who have been lost in wars.

NOVEMBER 13, 2020 – READ-A-THON PLEDGES DUE

All Read-a-thon pledges are due on **Friday, November 13th** by 3:00 p.m. There will be a virtual Read-a-thon assembly on **Thursday, November 19th**.

NOVEMBER 20, 2020 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL

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

WEATHER UPDATE

Please note, as the weather is starting to get cold and rainy, we are asking parents to ensure students have proper jackets and shoes. As well, please do **NOT** send students who have gym in the morning only with a PE strip! Also, students may have to be outside throughout the day for recess or movement between the buildings (gym and Church). Please send jackets with hoods for your children to school daily, as well as ensuring proper uniform. Thank you.

MASKS WORK! PLEASE WASH THEM REGULARLY OR THROW THEM IN THE DRYER DAILY!

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.

We would like to remind you 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 and the exposure listings page: <http://www.vch.ca/covid-19/school-exposures#.X4fbW8Vw86U.gmail>

PARISH MASSES

Please visit our Parish Website: www.olos.ca for the live Masses and 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. Masses as a family 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!

REMINDERS

Please see OLS's [Newsletter-Reminders-2020-2021](#) for additional school information.