OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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HAPPY SPRING BREAK! MARCH 11, 2021 WEEKLY E-LETTER

Dear parents,

Tomorrow night is our annual AGM. We will address all questions submitted by today and will allow questions in the chat. Please only send to the principal privately and not to everyone as we will not be able to find them. We will not turn on any mics as we will have too many people to manage. Thank you! We will use this meeting to update you all on our COVID status as well. So far students, parents and staff are all following the protocols and our safety plans. Please continue to screen daily and continue to keep sick children home.

Please take a moment to review our <u>school reminders</u> page (which includes the daily screening form).

What are the coronavirus variants and how should we respond to them? Your COVID-19 questions answered | CBC News

HOMEWORK PACKAGE PICK UP INFORMATION

Please be advised, if you are picking up homework packages for your child, they will be available at the school office between 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

MARCH 10TH – 12TH – SCHOOL REGISTRATION PACKAGES TO BE RETURNED - UPDATED

Completed registration packages are to be returned March 10th and 11th between the hours of 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 - 3:00 p.m. and on March 12th between 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. There will be a drop-box outside of the front office doors. Please leave your envelope in the box provided. Cash Payments will also be accepted during this time by appointment only. Please email or call the office to schedule a time. DO NOT leave cash unaccounted for with your registration package. The Office must issue a receipt for all cash payments. Please note if you are paying by cheque for the registration fee it will not be cashed until middle of April.

MARCH 11-29 FUNDRAISING NEWS! EGG-CITING EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA

Egg-citing Easter Extravaganza raffle has been sent home with students today. 3 egg-citing prizes to be won. Eggs and money are due back after Spring Break on Monday, March 29th, by 3:00 p.m. Easter Egg draw will be held on Thursday, April 1st at 2:00 p.m.

MARCH 11, 2021 GREEN DAY & KINDNESS DAY

Students may come dressed in green colours. A \$2.00 donation will be collected and donated To the Doors Open (ministry and shelter services).

MARCH 11, 2021 - DESK CLEAR OUT

Please send a large black garbage bag to school with your child on <u>Thursday, March 11th</u>. The students will need the bag in order to clear out their entire desk for Spring Break cleaning. **This does not pertain to Kindergarten.**

MARCH 12, 2021 - NOON DISMISSAL

There will be a half-day dismissal this day as the school prepares for a deep Spring Break cleaning.

MARCH 12, 2021 - REPORT CARDS - CHANGED TO APRIL 16th

Due to the number of students away we will be postponing the second term Report Cards. They will no longer go home on Friday, March 12th. The new date for Report Cards to be sent home will be **Friday, April 16th**.

MARCH 14, 2021 - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Do not forget that on <u>Sunday, March 14th</u> Daylight Savings Time begins and clocks "spring forward" one hour. The time should be changed one hour ahead before going to bed on Saturday evening.

MARCH 15 – 26, 2021 – SPRING BREAK

The school will be closed for Spring Break the weeks of <u>March 15th to March 26th</u>. School will reopen on <u>Monday, March 29th</u>. We would like to wish all families a safe and healthy Spring Break! Again, if you are planning to travel to Whistler or interior cabins, please allow 72 hours symptom free prior to sending your child back to school. <u>Any travel outside of the province requires a 2-week quarantine period upon return.</u>

MARCH 2021 - LENTEN CONFESSION

A Lenten Calendar has been sent home so students can track their Lenten Journeys prior to Confessions. A date will be chosen after spring break.

LENT BOXES

Lent boxes have been sent home. All boxes are due back by <u>Friday, April 9th.</u> We ask that **ALL** students label their box with their first and last name. We also ask that you **print the amount collected on the outside of the box.** Please use this opportunity to encourage your child to give alms (to do charitable work).

MARCH HOT LUNCHES

As a result of the current school environment, we have decided to cancel hot lunches until Spring Break. If your child is attending school, please make sure to send them a lunch. Credits will be applied to the accounts for those that have ordered on these dates. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Cristina Morra at oloshotlunch@gmail.com

March 11, 2021 (Thursday)	Sushi
April 8, 2021 (Thursday)	Subway
April 16, 2021 (Friday)	Stan's Pizza

OUR LADY of SORROWS PARISH - PAD Agreement

A <u>letter</u> explaining how you can still support the parish during these difficult COVID times went home with the students last week. There are now added ways to support the parish. Many are already using these virtual services. The parish is allowing automatic debit at the request of our parents (<u>PAD Agreement</u>) as well. If you wish to add the PAD method, please return the form to the school office by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 11th</u>, or directly to the Parish office by <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 18th</u>. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish!

REMINDERS:

SCHOOL SUPPLIES & LUNCH DROP-OFF REMINDER

We would like to remind you that due to the current COVID 19 restrictions, we wish to restrict calls home for supplies and lunches, so please have your child review daily routines and help them to prepare for their day prior to bedtime. We encourage your children to bring all necessary items, including lunches, to school daily. Every time a lunch or school supplies are dropped off at the office, we increase our risk to exposure. Thank you.

WEATHER UPDATE

Please note, as the weather gets colder and rainier, we are asking parents to ensure students have proper Jackets and shoes, as well as NOT sending students who have gym in the morning only with PE strip! Students <u>MUST</u> stay outside until 8:35 a.m. as we have to ensure adequate supervision in the school while teachers are in staff prayer. 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.