

OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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PARKING AND DROP-OFF REMINDER

Thank you for those parents who are following the drop-off and pick up rules. When dropping off or picking up your children, please only park in designated parking spots outside of the school gates. DO NOT park in the fire lane in front of the Gym (behind the Church). Also, please respect our neighbours on Turner Street. Many families are parking in front of their houses and walking their children to the school. If you do this, you must return to your car in less than 5 minutes or you may be ticketed. Also, do not drive up the wrong side of the street or back up or U-turn in the drop-off lanes. Once again, ensure you are following all the 'rules of the road'. Thank you for your consideration for our student's safety!

COVID UPDATE

Please note as we start the rainy and colder fall season, students may begin to experience cold and/or flu like symptoms. **Please keep your child .**

home if they are sick, as students do not function well if they are ill. If you, or your children, are experiencing cold and/or flu like symptoms COVID testing is **NOT** required as long as they do not come to school with any symptoms. Masking is encouraged for primary and required for grades 4-7, as well as continuing to keep safe distances, and washing hands. If parents are unsure, or if symptoms persist for more than 72 hours, please seek medical advice or call 811. If unsure, testing is always encouraged prior to returning to school if symptoms continue or worsen. Teachers will always support students who are isolating. Please send an email to your child's teacher for support or any missed assignments. Students will also be given time to catch up upon returning. Thank you for your consideration.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 – VIRTUAL MEET THE TEACHERS NIGHT

Please mark your calendars. The first mandatory parents' meeting (as indicated in the Policy Manual and Registration Guide) will be held virtually on **Thursday, September 23rd**. Teachers will be sending parents the information prior to the zoom meeting. The meeting will start at 6:45p.m. with Father Rosemond and then visits by the principal as well. Please call the school if you have not received your zoom link.

UNIFORMS

Please read the Policy Manual, which is included in the students' Agendas. See page 5, item #5. Teachers will be starting uniform checks by next week. Please ensure all uniform items comply with the Uniform Policy. Students will be allowed to wear summer uniform until **October 1, 2021.**

Please Note: Sweaters or vests are mandatory for all school functions such as Masses, School Assemblies, Para-liturgies, and Fieldtrips when representing the school.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2021 – SWEATPANTS AND SWEATSHIRT SAMPLE SIZES VIEWING

Samples sizes will be available for you to view on **Friday, September 24th** between 2:30 - 3:15 p.m. A table will be set up at the front door of the school.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 – COMMISSIONING AND FAMILY SUNDAY MASS

On **Sunday, September 26th at 11:30 a.m.** there will be a Commissioning Mass for all staff members of Our Lady of Sorrows School. It is also our regular monthly family masses with our school choir. **ALL PARENTS AND FAMILIES ARE WELCOME!**

SEPTEMBER 27, 2021 – INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS

Students will have their Individual Photos taken by Artona on **Monday, September 27th**. Please ensure your child comes to school in full uniform on this day. If your child has gym this day, please ensure that they wear their gym strip under their uniform.

SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 4, 2021 – VIRTUAL SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Last year we missed the Book Fair due to COVID-19. This year, in order to keep the students and their family members safe, we are having a virtual Book Fair. The Book Fair will run from the morning of **Monday, September 27th** until the end of the day on **Monday, October 4th**. Following is the website link that will bring you to the Book Fair shopping site. Take your time to look over the books on offer, order and pay online, and the books will be delivered to the school to be distributed to the students. The school will receive 20% of the total amount ordered in free products from Scholastic Canada. In years past, the school has acquired many resources for free because of the generosity of parents purchasing books at the Book Fair. Thank you in advance for your support.

Here is the link to our virtual Book Fair: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5163241>

SEPTEMBER 29, 2021 – ORANGE SHIRT DAY

Orange Shirt Day will be held on **Wednesday, September 29th**. This day is to honour Indigenous children who were sent to residential schools in Canada. Orange Shirt Day challenges us to witness and honour the stories of Survivors and their families, and to commit to meaningful discussion and the ongoing process of reconciliation.

SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 – NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH & RECONCILIATION – STAT HOLIDAY

There will be no school on **Thursday, September 30th**. This day is to honour Indigenous children who were sent to residential schools in Canada.

OCTOBER 5 AND 6, 2021 – HEAD LICE INSPECTIONS

The next school-wide lice check will be conducted on **Tuesday, October 5th and Wednesday, October 6th**. Thank you to Mrs. Kraljevic for doing this once again.

PARENT PARTICIPATION

Thank you for all those parents who have returned to their parent participation positions. As we are not expecting to return to Bingo until January, we will be sending an email for all those families who were moved to school, parish maintenance and support, or to community fundraising. We do have upcoming work parties for both school and parish. Please respond to the survey after the Meet the Teacher night. Thank you for all your support!