

OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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WEEKLY E-LETTER NOVEMBER 9, 2021

Dear Parents,

Again, we wish to congratulate our students who continue to impress with their spirit and dedication in all our re-opening activities! Congratulations to Mr. McCloskey and our Grade 5 Girls Volleyball Team who finished 2nd in the CISVA Championships today! Our students have been amazing! We will have a fall sports assembly to honour all our fall sports teams who continue to impress. Good luck to our Boys Volleyball Teams who will compete in the coming weeks. WAY TO GO OLS!!

COVID UPDATE- TRAVEL ADVISORY!!- URGENT!

As many families are contemplating traveling to the US or internationally in the coming months, we wish to advise ALL families that all kids under 12, whether traveling with vaccinated, or unvaccinated adults, must stay away from school upon return for 14 days! These are Federal Government Regulations and any family who does not follow the Federal Travel Advisories and Restrictions maybe reported and fined. Please notify the office via e-mail if your child will be not attending school for 14 days post travel. Please see the links below:

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/exemptions#unvaccinated>

- [Children accompanying fully vaccinated travellers](#) - Children under 12 do not need to "quarantine/self-isolate" and they can go outside their home, however, their movements are limited and one of the things they are restricted from doing is attend school for 14 days after return.
- [Children accompanying unvaccinated travellers](#) - Unvaccinated children under the age of 12 travelling with unvaccinated parents must follow all testing and quarantine requirements - they are expected to be in full quarantine for 14 days and therefore cannot attend school.

We wish to thank our parents for continuing to follow 5 basic steps for COVID SAFETY and keeping each other safe!

- 1) Not attending school if ill (cough, colds, fever).
- 2) Washing hands frequently.
- 3) Wearing a mask indoors.
- 4) Respecting everyone's personal space and practicing safe distancing.
- 5) Continuing to support each other by being kind and respecting each other's needs for safety.

REMINDERS

NOVEMBER 8-10, 2021 – REMEMBRANCE DAY POPPY DONATIONS

The Grade 6 class will be collecting a \$1 minimum donation for poppies between **November 8 - 10**.

NOVEMBER 10, 2021 – REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Remembrance Day Service is being held on **Wednesday, November 10th** in the school gym. Students must bring their gym strip and runners to school on this day if they have gym class. We will film the assembly and post the service to the OLS video page.

NOVEMBER 10, 2021 - KINDERGARTEN 2022 SIBLING REGISTRATION FORM DUE DATE

Kindergarten sibling registration forms were sent home last week. If you have a child born in 2017 (sibling only), please complete the form and return to the school office by **Wednesday, 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 may not have a spot for the September 2022 Kindergarten class.** Please contact the school office if you did not receive this form.

NOVEMBER 11, 2021 – REMEMBRANCE DAY STAT HOLIDAY

There will be **no school** on **Thursday, November 11th**, as it is the Remembrance Day Stat Holiday.

NOVEMBER 12, 2021 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on **Friday, November 12th**; therefore, there will be **no school** for students on this day.

NOVEMBER 15, 2021 - READ-A-THON PLEDGES DUE

Reminder, all reading records should now have been handed in. All Read-a-thon pledges are due by **Monday, November 15th** at 3:00 p.m. There will be a Read-a-thon assembly on **Thursday, November 18th**.

NOVEMBER 19, 2021 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on **Friday, November 19th**; therefore, there will be **no school** for students on this day.

NOVEMBER 20-21, 2021 – GRADE 7 FUNDRAISER HOLIDAY MINI PHOTO SESSION

The Grade 7 Fundraising Committee is excited to offer photo sessions for the Christmas season. Please view the [flyer](#) for further details. Spots are limited! Thank you for your support!

More amazing Christmas fundraising opportunities are coming soon.

NOVEMBER 26, 2021 – OLS BLACK FRIDAY RAFFLE

The first ever OLS Black Friday Raffle is here (details have been sent home with students) and we have incredible prizes so you can get your shopping done!!! Tickets are \$2.00 each or \$40.00 per booklet and all proceeds will go directly back to our school. All money raised will contribute to creating an outdoor green space for our school. Raffle winners will be announced on **Friday, November 26th** at 2:00 p.m. Prizes can be picked up at the school office. We are asking every family to please sell one book of 20 tickets. If you need more tickets, please contact the school office.

NOVEMBER 26, 2021 – REPORT CARDS TO BE SENT HOME

Report Cards will be sent home on **Friday, November 26th**.

NOVEMBER 28, 2021 – FAMILY MASS – 11:30 A.M.

The Family Mass will held be on **Sunday, November 28th** at 11:30 a.m. We invite all families from OLS to celebrate the Family Mass. This is a wonderful way for our families to attend and participate in the **required** Sunday liturgy.

NOVEMBER 29, 2021 – ADVENT PARALITURGY

Our first Advent Para liturgy will take place on **Monday, November 28th** at 9:00 a.m. in the church led by the Gr. 5 & 6 classes. The Gr. 5 & 6 classes will be receiving confession on this day.

DECEMBER 1, 2021 – VIRTUAL PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE

Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for **Wednesday, December 1st**. Each conference will be 10 minutes long. Further details to follow. Please remember there will be no school on **Wednesday, December 1st** for students.

NOVEMBER 2021 HOT LUNCH DATES

November 18, 2021 (Thursday)	Sausage on a Bun
November 26, 2021 (Friday – Gr. 7)	Ragazzi Cheese Pizza

NEW NOTIFICATION METHOD FOR ABSENTEES & LATE NOTICES

If your child is going to be absent or late, our two preferred methods of notification are as follows:

1. visit our website (<https://ourladyofsorrows.ca/lates-absences/>) and fill in all the requested information. Please note the new top tap 'LATES & ABSENCES'; or
2. email us at office@myolosschool.com.

If you do not complete one of the options above, upon your child's return to school, you must send a note to the classroom teacher explaining the reason for the absence. Please ensure you include all dates absent. If you have more than one child, we require a separate note for each one. This information is required for our annual Attendance Audit which determines our government funding for the year.

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. As of October 1st, your child was required to come school in regular (not summer) uniform.

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

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARKING

Please be kind and respect all local parking and road speed signs for the safety of the children! Out of respect for our neighbours, DO NOT park in front of their houses or block driveways.

Especially, do not backup or drive the wrong way in drop-off zones. Please leave enough distance between cars!