

OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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OCTOBER 2021 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

DEAR PARENTS

Thank you for your attendance at our recent virtual Meet the Teacher Evening! We would also like to thank you for a wonderful start to the year, and we are excited about the already amazing parent volunteer and participation at our school. As mentioned in the meeting, we appreciate all your generosity in volunteering for our students. Volunteers help to keep our school running well and help us in offering more for every child. Thanks for your support of all we do! Our students have been amazing! We will be updating some of the school and parish volunteers list this week. Please respond to the google forms by **Monday, October 4th**. Thank you!!

NEW OLS WEBPAGE!

Please check out our NEW, www.ourladyofsorrows.ca parent resources section on our Web page. These resources will include updates from Vancouver Coastal Health, Provincial Health, and new parent resources for Anxiety and Emotional support. Please check out our new links to these parent supports and continue to inform your child's classroom teacher of any concerns in your child's behavior or emotional needs. Thank you to our webmaster, Mr. Alfredo Chu for his continued work on making our webpage and links a great source of information for our families. Please remember to check the website and calendars for updates PRIOR to calling the office. Thank you for keeping our school lines free for more serious and needed communications.

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.

PEC ELECTIONS 2021

We wish to announce that Christina Morra (secretary), and Lisa Mannella (participation) have been re-elected for PEC for another 2-year term. Thank you to all our hardworking PEC members for all you do to help administer our school!

ARTONA PHOTO'S UPDATE

Your child's photos are now available online! Today, your child will be bringing home a notice from Artona with details on how to order online. For your convenience here is the link:

https://www.artona.com/schools/OLOS/programs/school_photo.

SEPTEMBER 24th – OCTOBER 4th – HOT LUNCH ORDERS FOR FALL SESSION

Ordering for the hot lunch fall session opened on **Friday, September 24th and will close on Monday, October 4th at 3 p.m.** Once the ordering is closed, we cannot accept any other orders. **Orders that have not been paid for by October 4th at 3 p.m. will be cancelled. If you are sending cash or a cheque, it must be received by October 4th at 3 p.m.** so that we can adjust your account.

The fall session includes all lunches from October 7, 2021, up to and including February 10, 2022. All lunches in the session must be ordered by the October 4th deadline. Payments can be made by cheque or cash (dropped off at the office in an envelope with your child's name and grade on it) or by credit card online. Please note, the school is charged transaction fees for the credit card payment so if you'd prefer to pay by cheque or cash, we would appreciate it.

If you have NEVER logged into the MunchaLunch program, please follow this link to register:

<https://munchalunch.com/schools/ourladyofsorrows/>. If you have already registered and just need to log in, please follow this link: <https://munchalunch.com/login>. Feel free to send any questions or comments to oloshotlunch@gmail.com

OCTOBER 2021 HOT LUNCH DATES

October 7, 2021 (Thursday)	Pizza
October 21, 2021 (Thursday)	Hamburgers

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 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 4, 2021 – THANKSGIVING MASS GRADE 4 CLASS

Parents/Grandparents are welcome to join the OLS School on **Monday, October 4th** for the Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00 a.m. Reminder all outside attendees must wear masks.

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.

OCTOBER 7, 2021 – “TALE OF THE TAPE”

The first challenge of the year “Tale of the Tape” will take place on **Thursday, October 7th**. Items will be weighed and totalled; however, this year each grade will have the challenge as opposed to the House Colour Teams. The real winner will be our local food bank, where all items will be donated. *Please note our student leadership committee will be sending further information home shortly. Thank you to Mr. Basso and the Grade 4’s for co-ordinating!

OCTOBER 11, 2021 – THANKSGIVING DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on **Monday, October 11th**. Happy Thanksgiving to all!

OCTOBER 20, 2021 – VIRTUAL LIVING ROSARY

Students are expected to be in full uniform this day.

OCTOBER 27, 2021 – INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS RETAKE DAY

Retakes will be on **Wednesday, October 27th**. Please have your child dressed in full uniform on this day if they wish to have their individual photo retaken. If you wish your child to have a retake, please let your child’s classroom teacher know.

OCTOBER 29, 2021 – COSTUME DAY

Students may come to school dressed in Halloween costumes or colours (e.g., orange and black) on **Friday, October 29th**. More info will follow from the Halloween Committee.

OCTOBER 29, 2021 – HALLOWEEN BASH

This year’s Halloween Bash will be held on **Friday, October 29th** during school hours. More information is to follow.

OCTOBER 31, 2021 – FAMILY MASS – 11:30 A.M.

The Family Mass will held be on **Sunday, October 31st** at 11:30 a.m. We invite all families from OLS to celebrate the Family Mass. This is a great way for our families to attend and participate in the **required** Sunday liturgy.

REMINDERS

****At this time and until further notice, there will be no birthday treats or special occasion treats, or holiday treats brought from home, for the classes.**

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.

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!**