

OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL



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WEEKLY E-LETTER May 5, 2022

Dear Parents,

This week we will be sending home the nomination forms for our P.E.C. (2022-2023) school year. We will be losing 3 of our longstanding contributors and amazing leaders, Mr. Gino Matino (Bingo/Capital Projects), Mrs. Lisa Mannella (Participation) and Mrs. Cidalia Pashalidis our P.E.C Chair. We also have Mr. Roger Gil, (Finance/ Treasurer) running for re-election. If you are interested in applying for P.E.C for the 2022-2023 school year, please carefully read the eligibility and expectations. Forms can be found on our website. Parents must have been in the school for a minimum of 2 years and be active OLS parishioners. The Nomination form **MUST** be signed by either Mrs. Cidalia Pashalidis, or Mrs. Cristina Morra (nomination committee), and be received by the school office by 3p.m. Friday May 13, 2022. All nominations will be forwarded to the Pastor for authorization.

Thank you

REMINDERS

NEW TURNER STREET INTERMEDIATE GARDEN

This week we started building our outdoor school intermediate gardens and green space. The southwest grass area outside the playground will be fenced in and the area will be transformed into a nature garden for our Intermediate grades to use. The area will look like our Preschool green space and gardens, however, be better suited for our grades 4-7 students to use. We wish to thank Mrs. Woodman who has been working hard at securing nature and garden grants. Please note the area will be closed off to students/parents during the building phase.

We also wish to thank our Grade 7 fundraising parents who are helping to make our school programs better for all our students! Our Grade 7 parents in the past have contributed to our Athletics, Fine arts, play areas and Technology needs through their hard work and generous legacy fundraising campaigns. Thank you to all our parents for supporting our student's needs!

PENDER STREET CLOSURE DELAYED!

The City of Vancouver has delayed the upgrade on Pender Street. We will advise as soon as the city gives us the dates.

MAY 2022 HOT LUNCH DATES:

May 6, 2022 (Friday Gr. 7)	Ragazzi Pizza
May 12, 2022 (Thursday Gr. 7)	Whitespot
May 13, 2022 (Friday Gr. 7)	McDonald's Hamburger
May 19, 2022 (Thursday)	Chicken Strips
May 27, 2022 (Friday Gr. 7)	Pizza Hut

MAY 7, 2022 – FIRST COMMUNION NEWS

First Communion will be held on **Saturday, May 7th at 11:00 a.m.** We ask that all families arrive early on these days and carpool as the Parking lot will also have cars from the C.W.L Convention.

MAY 9, 2022 – HOLY CROSS TRACK MEET

Please refer to Track and Field notice for details. Track meets are always rain or shine, so please make sure students are prepared for all weather.

MAY 10 & 12, 2022 - LICE CHECKS

The next school-wide lice checks will be conducted on **Tuesday, May 10th and Thursday, May 12th.** Thank you to Mrs. Kraljevic for doing this once again.

MAY 11, 2022 – CLASS PHOTO DAY

Please make sure students come to school dressed in full uniform (Sweaters and Black Shoes- no stripes).

MAY 18, 2022 – ST. PIUS FRIENDLY TRACK MEET

Details will be sent home closer to this date. Track meets are always rain or shine, so please make sure students are prepared for all weather.

MAY 20, 2022 – OLS WALK-A-THON – HALF-DAY OF SCHOOL

Friday, May 20th, will be the annual OLS Walk-a-thon. A Walk-a-thon notice will be going home with students on **Friday, May 6th.** Please note this day will be a half-day of school.

MAY 23, 2022 – VICTORIA DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on **Monday, May 23rd.**

MAY 24, 2022 – OLS TRACK MEET DATE CHANGE

Please note the OLS track meet has been changed **from May 16th to May 24th.** Please refer to Track and Field notice for details. Track meets are always rain or shine, so please make sure students are prepared for all weather.

MAY 24, 2022 - SPRING UNIFORM NEWS

Students may wear their spring uniform to school starting on **Tuesday, May 24th.** However, please note that students must be in **FULL UNIFORM (Sweaters, vests or cardigans and black shoes) on Mass or special days.** Please take advantage of the Neat Uniforms focus week mentioned below!

MAY 24 AND 28, 2022 – CONFIRMATION NEWS

On **Tuesday, May 24th at 7:15 p.m.** there will be a mandatory Confirmation rehearsal for all Grade 7 students and their sponsors in the gym. Confirmation will be held on **Saturday, May 28th at 11:00 a.m.** We ask that all families arrive early on these days.

MAY 29, 2022 – FAMILY MASS

The family mass will be at **11:30 a.m. on Sunday, May 29th**. We invite all families from OLS to celebrate the Family Mass. The OLS Family Mass is a great way for our families to attend and participate in the Sunday liturgy.

MAY 30, 2022 – CROWNING OF MARY

The Crowning of Mary Mass will be on **Monday, May 30th** at OLS Church at 7:00 p.m. Procession will follow (weather permitting). Please bring FLOWERS for Mary! All students are invited to attend. More information will follow.

JUNE 27 – JULY 3, 2022 - NEAT UNIFORMS FOCUS WEEK!

Please check OLS website regarding information about our school focus week, online buying procedures and promotional deals. Uniforms should be replaced every year due to children outgrowing them or wear and tear.

AFTERSCHOOL PICK-UP

Due to the warmer weather, the children will now be spending more time outside. Therefore, the gate to the school parking lot will not be opened until 2:30 p.m. **Please do not arrive earlier than 2:30 p.m. to pick-up your child(ren) and wait at the gate as this creates a backlog of traffic and a nuisance for the neighbourhood.**

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROTOCOLS

Our COVID protocols have changed into communicable disease protocols to continue to reduce the spread of germs that cause cold and flu like symptoms. **Again, we are asking parents to not send kids to school when ill, and to use the allocated free COVID rapid tests (sent home before spring break) to ensure students are not attending school with COVID.** The incident of COVID is still going to be rising, however, by continuing to keep sick children home, washing hands, and keeping physical distance between contacts, we should continue to get through this school year with minimal disruptions. Thank you to our parents and families that continue to do all you can to keep our students healthy and safe.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Preschool registration for the 2022-2023 school year is now open. If you are interested in registering for either the Three-Year-Old Program or the Four-Year-Old Program, contact the school office for an application form.

If you have any questions about our program, please feel free to contact the school at 604-253-2434 or email the preschool at preschool@myolosschool.com.

OLS SUMMER CAMPS

OLS Summer Camps are back! If your child is entering Kindergarten - Grade 5 in September 2022 they can come join us for a week or two of lots of fun activities to kick off the summer! Camps will be held at OLS: July 4th - 8th and July 11th – 15th. Full day and half day options are available. Spaces are limited so registration will be first come, first serve. Registration forms were sent home with your child. You can also access the registration form on the OLS website. We hope to see you there!