## **OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL**



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# JANUARY 10, 2024 WEEKLY E-LETTER

## JANUARY 9 & 11, 2024 - DOWNHILL SKIING

The Grade 7 class will begin their Downhill skiing lessons on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>January 9<sup>th</sup> and Thursday</u>, <u>January 11<sup>th</sup></u>. Please refer to the information package sent home from Mr. McCloskey. Please note it is <u>very</u> important that the students are dressed appropriately for this event.

## JANUARY 12, 2024 - DRIVE THRU RECYCLE FUNDRAISER - BOTTLE DRIVE

The last day of our annual <u>'Drive Thru' Recycle Fundraiser</u> is happening on <u>Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup></u> during morning drop off. Bags can be dropped off behind the garage of OLS Parish in the school parking lot.

This will be a House Colour Challenge. Please ensure you mark your bags with the student's house colour. May the best team win!

#### JANUARY 15, 2024 – LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MASS

Parents/grandparents are welcome to join the OLS School on Monday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. for Mass.

#### JANUARY 19, 2024 – ARCHBISHOP VISIT

We are excited and pleased to announce that Archbishop Michael Miller will be visiting our school and parish starting on <a href="Friday">Friday</a>, January 19<sup>th</sup></a>. He will be meeting with parish and school staff as well as visiting the classrooms. The Archbishop will also be celebrating the weekend masses on <a href="Friday">Friday</a> January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 <a href="mailto:a.m.">a.m.</a> (different time)</a>. Archbishop Miller will be available after these masses to meet our families! We hope our families and children will attend these Masses, as it would be a great showing of our amazing OLS Faith Community!!

Please note, the Grade 6 cross-country skiing scheduled for this day will be rescheduled for a later day, weather permitting.

## JANUARY 18 & 24, 2024 - NOTRE DAME OPEN HOUSE & PLACEMENT EXAM FOR GRADE 8

Notre Dame Regional High School will be having an open house on <u>Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup></u> at 5:30 p.m. in the Alumni Hall. The Placement Exam will take place on <u>Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup></u> at 12:30 p.m. We recommend checking the school's website to confirm times <u>www.ndrs.org</u>.

#### JANUARY 26, 2024 – CROSS COUNTRY SKIING.

The Grade 6 class will begin their Cross-Country skiing lessons on <u>Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup></u>. Please refer to the information package sent home from Mr. McCloskey. Please note it is <u>very</u> important that the students are dressed appropriately for this event. The <u>Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup></u> Cross Country date will be rescheduled for a later date due to the Archbishop's visit.

#### JANUARY 23, 2024 – FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING

There will be a First Communion Parent Meeting on <u>Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup></u> at 7:00 p.m. in the lower hall. This meeting is for parents <u>only</u> and at least <u>one</u> parent from each family must attend.

#### JANUARY 24 AND 25, 2024 - LICE CHECK

With the colder and wetter weather upon us the students are indoors more often. We would like to remind you to continue checking for lice at home on a weekly basis. The next school-wide lice check will be conducted on <u>Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup></u>. Thank you to Mrs. Kraljevic for doing this once again.

#### JANUARY 28, 2024 – FAMILY & FIRST COMMUNION ENROLMENT MASS

All students in Grade 2 who will be receiving the Sacrament of First Communion will be required to attend this Mass on <u>Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup></u> at 11:30 a.m. We invite all families from OLS to celebrate this Mass. We again will have our Students reading during all Family Masses as well as our amazing children's choir! The Monthly Family Mass is a wonderful way for our families and students to attend and **participate** in the **required** Sunday liturgy.

#### JANUARY 19, 2024 – SWEATPANTS AND SWEATSHIRT ORDERS

We will be placing an order for sweatpants and sweatshirts at the end of January. If you are interested, please complete and return the <u>attached</u> form by <u>Friday</u>, <u>January 19</u>, <u>2024</u>.

#### **JANUARY 2022 HOT LUNCH DATES**

Thursday, January 11 <sup>th</sup>	Ragazzi Pizza Lunch
Thursday, January 18 <sup>th</sup>	Sushi Lunch
Thursday, January 25 <sup>th</sup>	Chicken Strip Lunch

## REMINDERS

#### PARISH CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Sunday envelopes are now ready for pickup at the church entrance. You must pick up your new envelopes as all envelopes have new numbers.

#### **KINDERGARTEN 2024-2025 REGISTRATION**

Kindergarten for the 2024-2025 school year for OLS Parishioners is now complete. If you know of any families with children born in the year 2019 who would like to register for our Kindergarten class, please forward them the attached <a href="New Student Pre-Registration Request Form">New Student Pre-Registration Request Form</a>, as parent interviews will be held in January. Thank you!

#### PRESCHOOL 2024-2025 REGISTRATION

We are accepting applications for 3 and 4 year old preschool. If you have a child born in the year 2020 or 2021, please complete and return the attached Preschool Pre-Registration Request Form.

#### FEDERATION OF LASER MASTER - TERM 2 ENROLMENT

Laser Master will once again be offered after school at OLS for students in Grades 1-7. Classes will be held on Fridays after school from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. The start date is **Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>** and the term end-date is **Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>**. The classes are on a first come first serve basis with a maximum of 14 students. For registration and payment please visit <a href="https://lasermaster.com/">https://lasermaster.com/</a> and click on the Our Lady of Sorrows link.

#### **LOST AND FOUND**

Please visit our website to view items in the lost and found.

## **WEATHER AND TRAFFIC UPDATE**

As the weather gets colder and rainier, we are asking parents to ensure students come to school wearing proper jackets (with hoods) and appropriate shoes. Please do NOT send students who have gym in the morning wearing only their PE strip! They should be wearing their OLS sweatpants and sweatshirt over their PE strip. Students MUST stay outside until 8:35 a.m. as we must ensure adequate supervision at 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) as well as be able to stand in the rain for a minimum of 5 minutes if there is a fire or earthquake drill. Also, Please remember to slow down in the drop-off zones as students can be walking between cars are not easily seen in the winter. Thank you!