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JUNE 2025 MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

MORNING CARE and AFTER SCHOOL CLUB – SEPTEMBER 2025

As we are preparing staffing levels for next year, we are asking parents to complete a needs assessment for both Morning Care from 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and After School Care from 2:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. (pick up by 5:00 p.m.). As we only have 40 spots per day, 20 for primary (K-2) and 20 for intermediate (3-7), we require you to preregister for your essential weekly days to ensure we have enough spots available daily. The minimum to register is 1 day per week. The rate will be \$10 per hour and these days will be billed hourly and not by the half-hour. Late pick up, starting at 5 p.m., will be charged \$10 for every 15 minutes late. We hope to continue to help our working parents with before and after school care, however, we do also need to balance our staffing needs to continue to provide this service. Please sign up below for your 2025-2026 needs

https://forms.gle/T6U6crh2vssctPYJ7

WALK-A-THON

This year's Walk-a-thon was a huge success totalling over to \$13,000 to date. The top class, who will be receiving a pizza party, is Grade 3. They raised over \$1,800! If you have not yet sent in your pledges and money, please do so as soon as possible. This is a mandatory fundraiser for all OLS families even if kids were away on the actual day. We are asking for a minimum family donation of \$40. Thank you to all those who have contributed and for reaching the individual prize levels! All Walk a thon funds will go to update our Chromebooks labs.

MAY 30, 2025 - CROWNING OF MARY

The Crowning of Mary Mass will be on <u>Friday, May 30th</u> at OLS Church at 6:30 p.m. Procession will follow (weather permitting). Please bring FLOWERS for Mary. All students are invited to attend. The <u>attached</u> attendance form was sent home with students last week.

JUNE 4, 2025 – CISVA TRACK MEET

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

JUNE 2 – 6, 2025 – BIKE TO SCHOOL WEEK

Bike to School Week! Please see the attached flyer for all the details.

** For safety reasons, cyclists are to enter via Turner St.

JUNE 5, 2025 - LIBRARY BOOK RETURN DUE DATE

The last book check out is <u>Friday, May 30th</u>. All library books <u>MUST</u> be returned by <u>Thursday, June</u> <u>5th</u>! Families with outstanding books will be notified by letter. Please try to locate the missing books as they are expensive to replace.

JUNE 6, 2025 - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on Friday, June 6th.

JUNE 7, 2025 – CONFIRMATION NEWS

Confirmation will be held on <u>Sunday, June 7th at 5:00 p.m.</u> Please refer to the notice sent home regarding your arrival time.

JUNE 11, 2025 – GRADE 1 MASS

Mass will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>June 11th</u> at 9:00 a.m. Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us. <u>Students must</u> be in full uniform (black shoes and sweaters).

JUNE 13, 2025 - SPORTS DAY - 12:00 P.M. DISMISSAL - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

On <u>Friday, June 13th</u>, the annual OLS Sports Day will take place rain or shine. This will be held at OLS. <u>Dismissal will be at 12:00 p.m. and there is NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB</u> on this day.

JUNE 16, 2025 – GRADE 3 TRAVEL FAIR (1 - 2:30 P.M.)

JUNE 17, 2025 - FINE ARTS DAY (1 - 2:30 P.M.)

JUNE 19, 2025 – KINDERGARTEN WRAP-UP (1 P.M.)

JUNE 20, 2025 – GRADE 7 FAREWELL CEREMONIES

The Grade 7 Farewell Ceremonies will be held on Friday, June 20th in the Church at 10:30 a.m.

JUNE 22,2025 - FAMILY THANKSGIVING MASS

Our final School Family Mass for the year is at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 22nd. Our school choir will also be singing this day. We will be hosting a Family BBQ and "Dia Alegre" Festivities after the 11:30 a.m. Family Mass and the 1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass. Our parents will host the BBQ and there will be games for the kids in the hall. All Choir, Altar Servers, and Readers will receive a free sausage and bun, chips, and a drink as a thank you for all their service for the year. Any parents who still need their participation hours for the year, please contact our office or our PEC participation coordinator. More info to follow!

JUNE 23, 2025 – CLEANING OUT OF DESKS

We ask that all students Grades 1-7, please bring **TWO LARGE GARBAGE BAGS** to school by **Monday, June 23rd** to empty the contents of their desks for the summer.

JUNE 24, 2025 – WALK-A-THON & TRACK AWARDS ASSEMBLY

The Awards Assembly will be held on <u>Tuesday, June 24th</u> at 1:00 p.m. We invite all parents to attend.

JUNE 25, 2025 – GRADE 7 CLOSING MASS – SUMMER UNIFORM

Parents and grandparents are welcome to join us on <u>Wednesday, June 25th</u> for Mass at 9:00 a.m. The Grade 7 class will be preparing this Mass. Summer uniform and Black shoes are acceptable.

JUNE 25, 2025 – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL BEFORE SUMMER VACATION – 12:00 P.M. DISMISSAL – NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

The last day of school will be <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>June 25th</u>. Students will be dismissed at **12:00 p.m. NO AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB** on this day.

JUNE 26, 2025 - PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - NO SCHOOL

There will be a Professional Development Day for OLS teachers on Friday, June 6th.

JUNE 24, 2025 - PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY

Thank you to Otis Yiu in Gr. 3 for his generous Walk-a-thon donation. He will be our Principal for the Day on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 24th</u>.

JUNE 24, 2025 – STEP-UP DAY

Classes will be visiting their next year's teachers on this day. The students will be spending about 15 minutes in their soon-to-be classroom.

LOST AND FOUND

Please visit our website (https://ourladyofsorrows.ca/lost-and-found/) to view items in the lost and found.

MCCARTHY UNIFORMS BUNDLE SAVINGS

Every year McCarthy Uniforms offers bundle savings to our school community. These bundles offer an additional coupon incentive that can be used later in the year to top up student's uniforms. Please see their website (https://www.mccarthyuniforms.ca) for further details. Uniforms should be examined and replaced as needed due to children outgrowing them or regular wear and tear.

PARENT PARTICIPATION NEWS

If you have not been contacted by the PEC, your volunteer position will stay the same for the upcoming school year. Should you have any inquiries or need to reach our parent participation coordinators, you can email them at olsparticipation@gmail.com. Thank you for your continued support.

MAY 2025 HOT LUNCH DATES

Tuesday, June 3 rd (Grade 7 Fundraiser)	McDonald's Hamburger
Thursday, June 5 th	Columbus Chicken Strips
Tuesday, June 10 th (Grade 7 Fundraiser)	McDonald's Jr. Chicken Burger
Thursday, June 12 th	Ragazzi Pizza

REMINDERS

<u>SEPTEMBER 5, 2025 - OLS GOLF TOURNAMENT IS BACK!!</u>

We are excited to be hosting our Second Annual OLS Golf Tournament on Friday, September 5th, at Swaneset Bay Resort & Country Club, in Pitt Meadows. This is an important fundraiser for our process of building a new school! We are hoping that families who golf, or families with businesses will join us for a fun day of community and support for our new school fund. Even if you are not a golfer, we are offering hole sponsorships and signs for only \$500 per hole (tax receipts will be available). This is a great way to introduce your business to the greater OLS business community! If your business is interested in being a larger corporate sponsor, we can also accommodate your business needs. You can also sign up online at https://ourladyofsorrows.ca/golf-tournament/, and we can send you or your company a direct invoice. The deadline for our sponsorship holes is Friday, May 30th. Thank you to the many parents and vendors who have already committed, and we hope all our business parents and partners can help support this important Capital Campaign for our New School Building Fund! If you have any questions, please contact the school.

IMPORTANT UNIFORM UPDATE!!

We have been informed by Neat's/McCarthy Uniform that our navy school sweaters and cardigans will no longer have the double white arm bands. There will be a new sweater available for the 2026-2027 Centennial school year. Therefore, Neat's have agreed to discount the present sweater and cardigans up to 50% until the present stock runs out! So, any purchases for new sweaters for the 2025-2026 year will have to be replaced with the new sweater stock by September 2027. Only the new sweater will be available in 2026-2027. That gives parents 2 years before replacement of the present sweaters. We will also be designing a new 100-year OLS logo for our next Century for the new sweaters as well. The vests and other uniform items will not be affected. Please visit https://mccarthyuniforms.ca/home/index for all promotions.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES (GR. 3 – 7) – SCHOOL START

All children in Gr. 3 – 7 will be bringing home a list of supplies this week that will be required on the first day of school in September. Please follow the notice instructions for ordering. If paying by cheque, return your order form together with your cheque, made payable to 'School Start' by **Friday, June 6th**. After **Friday, June 6th**, you will have to place your order online or by telephone and pay by credit card by **Tuesday, July 15th** to receive your supplies at OLS for the start of school in September.

ONGOING BOTTLE DRIVE - RETURN-IT EXPRESS

The Grade 7 Fundraising Committee is continuously collecting bottles. It's easy! Simply place your empties in clear bags and drop them off at any "Return-It Express" depot. The school's account is under our main phone number 604-253-2434.