



OUR LADY OF SORROWS SCHOOL

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MAY 7, 2025 WEEKLY E-LETTER

PEC ELECTIONS 2025

We wish to thank our PEC members who will be leaving the school this year, Mrs. Cristina Morra our President, Mr. Roger Gil our Treasurer and Mr. Anthoni Pasqua head of our maintenance crew. They have been long-standing members of our Parish Education Committee who have committed hundreds of hours to improve our school and Parish Communities! Please remember to thank them for their amazing work personally. We will miss their leadership! We, therefore, have three positions to fill. If you are interested in applying for these PEC positions, please fill out the nomination form [attached](#) (please thoroughly read the eligibility and expectation requirements). Nomination forms **MUST** be signed by our nomination committee, Mirella Gargiulo or Sarah Morreau, and **returned (fully completed) to the office by Monday, May 12th**. All nominations will then be sent to the parish to be approved by Father Rosemond, our Pastor. All nominees must be a parishioner in good standing. If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank all of our wonderful PEC members for their amazing leadership and service to our parish and school!

STAFF CHANGES 2025

We are sad to announce that two of our longstanding teachers will be leaving the school this year. First, we wish to say goodbye to Mr. Peter Stocker, who has been at OLS for the last 25 years. He originally taught Grade 6 and then started our amazing ADST program. Mr. Stocker will be moving closer to home and working for an on-line format as he approaches his retirement years. We are also saying goodbye to Mr. Basso our Grade 6 Teacher and Vice-Principal. Mr. Basso has been a great teacher, coach of many sports, and leader on staff and in many groups with students. He also will be moving closer to home as he recently purchased a new home in Maple Ridge. We are sad and will miss them both. A more formal goodbye will be announced in June.

OUTDOOR PE CLASSES

Please note that as the gym does get booked for more school and parish activities in the final months, we prefer to have students go outside than stay indoors. This will involve some classes being held off-site. If classes go off-site, they will be bussed during their PE class only and return at their regular times. Please let us know **only if you DO NOT WISH** your child to participate in off-site PE classes through your child's classroom Seesaw account, Google Classroom or email the school office. Primary (K-2) will usually stay on site and use alternate areas on school grounds or occasionally go for walks around the school block. Regardless of location, students only need their regular gym strip. All classes are properly supervised, and medical alerts are followed.

MAY 9, 2025 – MOTHER'S DAY MASS

The Kindergarten class is leading this special Mass on **Friday, May 9th at 9:00 a.m.** Only Grades K-4 will attend this Mass. All parents are welcome to attend, especially Mothers and Grandmothers.

MAY 9, 2025 – HOLY CHILDHOOD MASS AT OUR LADY OF SORROWS PARISH

Thank you to our students and families who raised over \$1,000.00 for the Holy Childhood Association. The cheque will be presented at the Mass by our OLS Grade 7 Leadership Council on **Friday, May 9th at 11:00 a.m.** Grades 5-7 will attend this Mass.

MAY 12, 2025 – HOLY CROSS TRACK MEET AT SFU

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.

MAY 16, 2025 – OLS WALK-A-THON

Friday, May 16th, will be the annual OLS Walk-a-thon. **Please note this day will be a full day of school.** Please refer to the notice that went home with students on **Tuesday, April 29th**. A friendly reminder that the t-shirt order form was due back on **Friday, May 2, 2025.**

MAY 19, 2025 – VICTORIA DAY – NO SCHOOL

There will be no school on **Monday, May 19th**.

MAY 21, 2025 – OLS TRACK MEET AT MERCER STADIUM

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.

MAY 23, 2025 – IN SCHOOL CONFIRMATION RETREAT

The Grade Seven Confirmation Retreat will be held in school on **Friday, May 23rd**. Please refer to the information sent home by the Grade Seven teacher.

MAY 25, 2025 – FAMILY MASS (GR. 1)

The Family Mass will be held on **Sunday, May 25th 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.

MAY 28, 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.

MAY 30, 2025 – CLASS PHOTOS

Please make sure students are in **FULL UNIFORM (Sweaters, vests or cardigans and black shoes).** Spring uniform is not allowed for the photos.

MAY 30, 2025 – LIBRARY NEWS

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

MAY 30, 2025 – CROWNING OF MARY

The Crowning of Mary Mass will be on **Friday, May 30th** at OLS Church at 6:30 p.m. Procession will follow (weather permitting). Please bring FLOWERS for Mary! All students are invited to attend. More information will follow.

MAY 2025 HOT LUNCH DATES

Thursday, May 8 th	Quesada Quesadilla
Tuesday, May 13 th (Grade 7 Fundraiser)	McDonald's Hamburger
Thursday, May 15 th	Columbus Chicken Burger
Tuesday, May 20 th (Grade 7 Fundraiser)	Ragazzi Pizza
Thursday, May 22 nd	Subway
Tuesday, May 27 th (Grade 7 Fundraiser)	McDonald's Jr. Chicken Burger
Thursday, May 29 th	Ragazzi Pizza

REMINDERS

GR. 7 FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE - NEUFELD FARMS FUNDRAISER

To help get ready for the summer season, the Gr. 7 Fundraising Committee is having a Neufeld Farms Product sale. Ordering is available until **Monday, May 12th**. Pick up is on **Thursday, May 22nd** at 2:30 p.m.

<https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2025-our-lady-of-sorrows-school/ref/em>

Thank you for your continued support

WARM WEATHER ALERT

Due to the warmer weather, the children will now be spending more time outside. Therefore, we are asking the following:

1. Send your child to school with a refillable water bottle, a hat and, if needed, apply sunscreen before arriving at school.
2. 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.**

SEPTEMBER 5, 2025 - OLS GOLF TOURNAMENT IS BACK!!

We are excited to be hosting our Second Annual OLS Golf Tournament on **Friday, September 5th**, at Swanest 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. We have [attached](#) the notice for sponsors. 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.