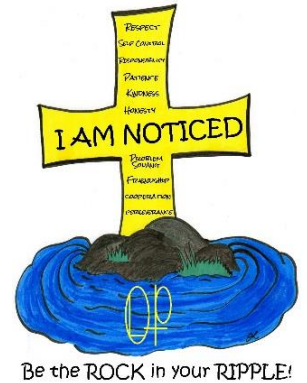


# OLP's Weekly Update November 16, 2017

## OLP's CALENDAR NEXT WEEK:

- ❖ **Monday, Nov 20: Specials Rotation A**
  - ACRE Testing for 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades
- ❖ **Tuesday, Nov 21: Specials Rotation B**
  - ACRE Testing for 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades
  - Kindergarten Thanksgiving Play, 2:30 p.m., Auditorium
- ❖ **Wednesday, Nov 22: NOON DISMISSAL – NO ACED – SPIRIT DAY**
  - **No Specials**
  - All School Mass, Lector: Garrett S.
  - Special Person's Day, 10:30 – Noon, grades K - 4
- ❖ **Thursday, Nov 23: NO SCHOOL - NO ACED**
  - **Happy Thanksgiving!**
- ❖ **Friday, Nov 24: NO SCHOOL - NO ACED**



## SCHOOL BUSINESS:

**REMINDERS FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE:** Please note the following reminders from the school office.

- ✓ **Dress Children appropriately for the weather** - As temperatures are dropping, too many children are coming in without warm enough clothing and outerwear to endure outside recess. Those children end up sitting in the outer office area, while their friends enjoy recess. The children may or may not care - but, Mrs. Briggs and other staff members frequently use that space and are put at a disadvantage if children are there during recess.
- ✓ **Use the North Parking Lot for morning drop-off** - Please refrain from dropping off in the circle drive! The circle drive is reserved for parishioners attending morning Mass. Parents who park in the circle drive make those valuable spots unavailable to parishioners; and, parents who drive through, increase traffic in that area, creating a safety hazard. Furthermore, the usual drop-off routine is designed for ease, safety and accessibility for all students, the parents who are dropping off, and the staff members who are there to assist.
- ✓ **Absence and late arrival notifications** - Please email **BOTH Mary Kay Hayde**, at [mkay@olpls.org](mailto:mkay@olpls.org), and **Gayle Cross**, at [gcross@olpls.org](mailto:gcross@olpls.org), when your child(ren) will be absent or arriving late. It's also a good idea to copy the teacher on the email. If arriving late, please give your child's lunch order. Orders must be placed before 9:30 a.m. (And, please do not shoot the messenger!) The 9:30 a.m. deadline for lunch orders is absolutely necessary!

**DRESS DOWN DAY: Tomorrow, Friday, November 17**, the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Class is sponsoring a Dress Down Day in connection with a Service Project, benefitting Blair's Foster Socks. The organization provides new socks for children who are in foster care. **Students are asked to bring one or more pair(s) of new socks, in exchange for the privilege of dressing down.**

The timing of this service project is planned to coincide with the Parish's Heart and Sole shoe drive. See the [Heart & Sole Flyer](#) for details about the shoe drive, including a discount offer from Payless Shoes. If you choose to participate in the Parish's shoe drive, as well, shoes may be brought to school tomorrow, or dropped off after masses this weekend, November 18 - 19.

## EXTRACURRICULAR:

**ROBOTICS COMPETITION:** Come cheer on the robotics teams on Saturday! They will be competing in the First Lego League Kansas City Qualifier, at Summit Lakes Middle School. Come any time between 12:30 and 3:00 p.m. to see

some robots in action! The teams have been working hard since August and would love to see their friends and school community support them.

**BROWNIE TROOP SERVICE PROJECT:** Do you have Halloween costumes at home? OLP Brownie Troop 5135 is collecting gently used Halloween costumes. All costumes will be donated to Lee's Summit Social Services. Drop off in the barrel located near front desk. Costume donations will be accepted from **Friday, November 17 – Tuesday, November 28.**

### **PTO:**

**SPECIAL PERSONS' DAY:** PTO will host Special Person's Day on **Wednesday, November 22**, from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. This year's theme is, "You Are My Superhero!" Kindergarten-4<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate by inviting a grandparent, parent, older sibling, aunt/uncle, or family friend to the celebration. If your child does not have a special person who is able to attend the event, please contact Cassie Pearson at [Langwithc@gmail.com](mailto:Langwithc@gmail.com), and we will make sure that no one misses out on the fun! On the day of the event, there will be a prayer service in the church and a reception in the Auditorium and Etue Room, as well as a **\$5 Book Sale**. The reception will include refreshments and a fun activity at each table. See the [Save the Date Flyer](#) for more information. [Invitations](#) were sent home earlier this week.

The Special Persons' Day Committee is seeking volunteer help for the event. Please see the [SPD Sign-Up Genius](#) to see how you can help. The many volunteers who help pull off this event, for **500+ guests and students** each year, are always appreciated. The event would not be possible without you! Thanks for helping with this celebration of the superheroes in children's lives!

**FALL BOX TOPS CONTEST: Remember!** The Fall BoxTops contest ends **Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at Noon**. All BoxTops must be submitted by that date to be counted! The Spring BoxTops contest will start shortly after Christmas Break, so keep collecting!

**SCRIP NEWS:** The holidays are a big fundraising time for OLP, and you can help raise money just by paying for your holiday shopping with gift cards!

- Earn 2.5% on gifts from Amazon;
- Earn 3% when you purchase your holiday meal from Hy-Vee or Price Chopper;
- Earn 5% when you shop or pay off your Kohl's card with a Kohl's Cares gift card;
- Earn 14% on your holiday outfits from GAP or Old Navy.

If you want to start raising easy money in-store, online, on the go, or on last minute gifts, email Scrip Coordinator, Bridget Bahr, for OLP's enrollment code so you can join today! [scrip@olpls.org](mailto:scrip@olpls.org)

Want to learn more about Scrip? Get more information here: <https://www.shopwithscrip.com>

Thanks for shopping with Scrip; and, look for Mrs. Bahr this weekend at Divine Donuts, after all masses.

**STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT:** Looking to get a head-start on Christmas? PTO is offering a Christmas Cash gift giving option for staff again this year, and starting even earlier! This program was created to provide a convenient gifting option to parents when looking to purchase gifts for multiple teachers and staff. Additionally, PTO supplements the gift to our dedicated staff. See the [Christmas Cash Flyer](#) for more details.

There are multiple ways to contribute:

1. **New this year!!** Contribute online, through the OLP Spirit Store: <https://www.olpspiritstore.com/>;
2. A donation box and greeting card will be available at the school office from **November 17 - December 11**; or

3. The donation box and card will be available at pick-up on **November 21 & 28, and December 5, 6, & 11**. Look for Sabrina Henry in the parking lot, or wherever Scrip cards are being sold on those dates.

Questions? Contact Sabrina Henry at [sabrina.henry5@gmail.com](mailto:sabrina.henry5@gmail.com).

**CHRISTMAS FAIR DONATIONS:** The PTO sponsored Christmas Fair will take place on **Monday, December 11**. Donations for the annual Christmas Fair will continue to be accepted at the school office until Tuesday, December 4. Items should be placed in the festive Christmas Fair bin. See the [Christmas Fair Flyer](#) for full information, including the types of items that are needed, and items that cannot be accepted. **\*\*Please note that empty boxes are no longer needed; however, gift bags and tissue paper would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to all who brought in boxes!** Questions? Please contact Bridgit Ziegenhorn, at [bridgitz@gmail.com](mailto:bridgitz@gmail.com), or Laura Barr, at [arlajane@hotmail.com](mailto:arlajane@hotmail.com).

**THE PANTHER'S PEN:** *The Panther's Pen* is OLP's yearly student publication, showcasing the artistic talents of grades K-8. The submission period is open now through **Wednesday, December 20**. Click the link for more information and to print a copy of the [Submission Form](#). Questions? Contact Denise Stoll at [ddstoll@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ddstoll@sbcglobal.net).

### **FUNDRAISING:**

**PANTHER PARTNERS - A COMMUNITY THAT CARES!** OLP is blessed all year by the support of our [Panther Partners!](#) Remember to support them when making holiday purchases... some offer **Scrip cards** for purchase!

### **FIRE NEWS**

**LUNCH AND SHOPPING IN BRIARCLIFF:** Enjoy a day of shopping and dining in The Villages at Briarcliff, and help support the FIRE Foundation! On **Saturday, December 2**, two Briarcliff businesses will donate a portion of their proceeds back to the FIRE Foundation. At both locations, simply let the staff know that you're participating in the FIRE Foundation benefit day! (You are not required to visit both locations to participate.)

- ★ Nell Hills, from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; and/or,
- ★ Trezo Mare Restaurant, from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Reservations are recommended, but not required.

**FIRE T-SHIRTS:** T-shirt orders are back by popular demand, for a limited time! Place orders online at, [https://stores.inksoft.com/fire\\_foundation/shop/home](https://stores.inksoft.com/fire_foundation/shop/home), until **December 1**, to ensure delivery before Christmas Break. FIRE T-shirts are considered spirit wear for all Spirit Days throughout the year!

### **PARISH NEWS**

**OPERATION HEART & SOLE:** Our Lady of the Presentation Parish, in partnership with Bishop Sullivan Center, is participating in a shoe drive, in support of "Operation Heart & Sole." This service organization provides new shoes and socks to school-age children in the Kansas City metropolitan area, whose families are facing economic hardships. See the [Heart & Sole Flyer](#) for details about the shoe drive, including a discount offer from Payless Shoes. Donations can be dropped off after all Masses, on **November 18 - 19**.

**SALVADORAN CRAFTS SALE:** Handmade crafts from El Salvador will be available for purchase after all Masses on **November 18-19**. Proceeds of the sale help support Presentation's Scholarship and Formation students. Please see the [Craft Flyer](#) for photos of some of the available items.

