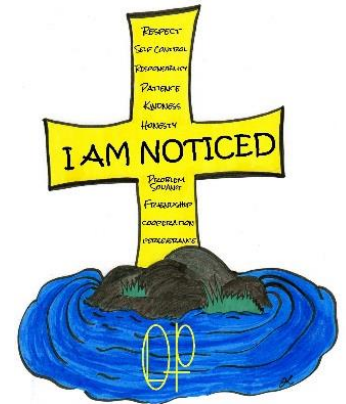


OLP's Weekly Update September 14, 2017

OLP's CALENDAR NEXT WEEK:

- ❖ **Monday, Sept 18: Specials Rotation A**
- ❖ **Tuesday, Sept 19: Specials Rotation B**
- ❖ **Wednesday, Sept 20: Specials Rotation C**
 - All School Mass, Lector: Ava L.
- ❖ **Thursday, Sept 21: Specials Rotation A**
- ❖ **Friday, Sept 22: Specials Rotation B**
 - **Dress Down for El Salvador (see details below)**
 - 8th Grade Retreat



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SCHOOL BUSINESS:

Q & A OF THE WEEK:

Q: *Why can't we drop off children in the Circle Drive in the morning?*

A: The circle drive is reserved for parishioners attending morning Mass, every day. This is especially important during morning drop-off, because our school uses many of the usual parking spaces for the drop-off process. Additionally, with the increased traffic in the North Parking Lot, it is important to have the circle drive available as a safe and easily accessible point of entry to the church.

OLP's Drop-off procedure is designed to safely and efficiently allow all 480 students to enter the building within a short window of time. Several staff members are always present to assist children as they exit cars and enter the building. **Thank you for your help in keeping the line moving!**

TRUNK OR TREAT SAVE THE DATE: The 8th Grade Class's biggest fundraiser will take place on Friday, October 20. Watch for much more information to come in October about this **highly anticipated, fun family event**. But now... you can order the annual Trunk or Treat t-shirt for a limited time!

[Trunk or Treat T-shirt Order Forms](#) will be sent home Friday, September 15, and can be printed by clicking the link. **The deadline for ordering will be the MORNING of Tuesday, September 26.** Shirts can be ordered by returning the form with your payment to the school office; or, if you prefer to order and pay online, you may do so through the [Presentation Online Store](#). Just click on NEW ARRIVALS and you will see the Trunk or Treat T-shirt available for purchase. The image shown will be printed on a lime green t-shirt. Trunk or Treat shirts may be worn to school on Friday, October 13th for Spirit Day, with dress down bottoms; on October 16th, 17th and 18th with uniform bottoms; and on Halloween as a free dress down day. Additionally, note that the shirt qualifies as OLP Spirit Wear, and therefore may be worn on any Spirit Day throughout the year. **Thank you for supporting the 8th grade!**

HANDBOOK AMENDMENT: The K-2 and Specials Grading scale has been amended to reflect the following:

K-2 & Specials Grading Scale

- + Proficient
- S+ Above Average
- S Average
- S- Below Average
- √ Not grasping skills, requires ongoing support to develop and demonstrate skill (60 and below)
- * Modifications of regular classroom program

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Mrs. Daugherty is looking for volunteers to assist students with the Barton Spelling and Reading program. If you are interested in more information, please contact Colleen Daugherty at cdaugherty@olpls.org.

SERVICE:

DRESS DOWN FOR EL SALVADOR: On **Friday, September 22**, the 4th grade will sponsor a Dress Down Day in support of its service partner, OLP's sister community in El Salvador. On that day, students are asked to donate \$.50 - \$1.00 to the El Salvador Service Project, in exchange for the privilege of dressing down, (no uniforms!). Dress Down Days allow students to wear regular street clothing, with certain restrictions, as outlined in the [Uniform Policy](#).

In October, Father Tom, Mrs. Engert and members of the parish will be traveling to El Salvador to take much needed supplies to the families in that community. The money raised by this service project will help to purchase those supplies. **Thank you for your help!**

EXTRACURRICULAR:

CALLING ALL CHEERLEADERS! All girls in 3rd - 8th grades are welcome to join OLP Cheer. There will be an informational parent meeting on **Thursday, September 14, in the Etue Room, from 2:30 - 3:00 p.m.** If you can't make it, there will be a second meeting that evening, also in the Etue Room, from **6:30 - 7:00 p.m.** It is highly recommended that you attend one of the meetings, if possible, even for returning cheerleaders. We will discuss changes from last year, fees, schedule, requirements, and deadlines. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at olppanthercheer@gmail.com. Click the link to print the [Cheer Enrollment Form](#).

ARCHERY: Archery season is right around the corner and will be here before you know it. If you have a student in 4th - 8th grade, who would like to participate in Archery this school year, please plan to attend the *mandatory* parent meeting on **Tuesday, October 3, at 5:30 p.m., in the Etue room.** At this meeting, we will explain the program, discuss the expectations of each archer, as well accept enrollment fees, and order/pay for team shirts. We are excited about the new archery season. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Archery Coordinator, Cheryl Melton, at cherylmelton00@gmail.com.

BASKETBALL REGISTRATION: All boys and girls entering 3rd through 8th grades are eligible to play basketball in the Parochial League of KC. To participate, players must attend OLP School, or be enrolled and have acceptable attendance in the Children's Faith Formation program (at OLP, Holy Spirit, or St. Margaret's). **The last day to register will be October 8.** Practices will start the first week of November, depending on gym availability. To register, go to www.plkc.org and click on the "Registration" link.

Coaches are also needed. Please consider sharing your talent as a coach or assistant coach. Questions? Please contact Robb Washeck, at robb@washeck.com.

PTO:

BOX TOPS 4 EDUCATION: Please click the link for the [SignUp Genius](#) to help your child's classroom with BoxTops collection and counting. It's an EASY way to support OLP and PTO. All you need to do is know how to count to 50! Thanks in advance for your willingness to help!!

CHRISTMAS FAIR PREPARATIONS: The PTO sponsored Christmas Fair will take place on **Monday, December 11.** The Christmas Fair is a school day event at which each child has the opportunity to select gifts for their immediate family, (those who live in their home, or no more than 4 gifts per child). The children absolutely love this event! The prices on items are extremely reasonable and all of the money collected is donated to the Parish's emergency relief fund.

In order to help make this day a success, we need your help. At this time, we will begin collecting gently used treasures that you would like to share with others. Some suggested items are: books, jewelry, knick-knacks, games, home decor, men's items (always short on these), toys etc.

Items that cannot be accepted include clothing, hats, large items that children cannot carry, sharp objects, R-rated DVDs, small appliances, or consumable items that have already been opened (paint, perfume, etc.). ***A good rule of thumb when donating is to ask yourself, "would I like to receive this as a gift?"**

There is also a need for gift bags, tape, gift tags and empty boxes (shoe, shirt, or jewelry sized), for wrapping gifts.

Please drop items off in the Christmas Fair bin, located by the school office.

If you have any questions, please contact Bridgit Ziegenhorn, at bridgitz@gmail.com, or Laura Barr, at arlajane@hotmail.com.

FUNDRAISING:

PANTHER PARTNERS - A COMMUNITY THAT CARES! View the list of [Our Panther Partners](#) to find out who is helping to support our school! We are so grateful for the support of all these businesses and individuals! The list is updated regularly on the school website. Please be mindful not to solicit other donations from the sponsors listed, as they have already pledged their 2017-2018 school year support.

We will continue to accept donations during the entire school year. Please see the [Sponsorship Form](#) for details. Each event will review donations received to see if recognition can be accommodated during their event. Any [applicable donations](#) received by **Saturday, October 7**, are eligible to appear on the gym banner.

Questions? Visit the [Panther Partners Page](#) on the school website, or contact the Panther Partners Committee at pantherpartners@olplsschool.org.

PARISH NEWS:

LIVING THE SPIRIT AT WORK: Join fellow parishioners at this forum to discuss and reflect on the integration of spiritual values in the workplace. **Thursday, September 21, from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., in the Etue Room.**

