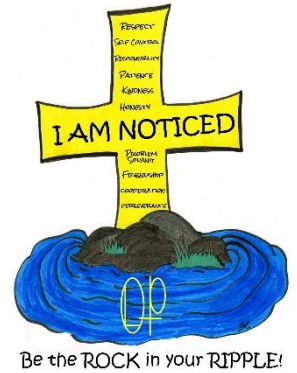


OLP's Weekly Update January 12, 2018



OLP's CALENDAR NEXT WEEK:

- ❖ **Monday, Jan 15: NO SCHOOL - NO ACED -Martin Luther King Day**
- ❖ **Tuesday, Jan 16: Specials Rotation A**
- ❖ **Wednesday, Jan 17: Specials Rotation B**
 - All School Mass, Lector: Nic V.
- ❖ **Thursday, Jan 18: Specials Rotation C**
 - 1st Eucharist Parent & Child Gathering, 6:00 p.m. (Option #1)
- ❖ **Friday, Jan 19: Pre-CSW Dress Down Day (see details below)**
 - **Specials Rotation A**
 - 7th & 8th Grade Pod Dance at Nativity, 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Saturday, Jan 20: 1st Eucharist Parent & Child Gathering, 9:00 a.m. (Option #2)**

Q & A OF THE WEEK:

Q: "Was a Remind message sent about the snow day yesterday? I didn't get it!"

A: YES! A message was sent to all school parents who are currently signed up with Mrs. Briggs's Remind Group. If you did not get the message, you are not signed up! Each school year, the remind group is re-set. So, even if you were signed up last school year (2016-17), you need to sign up again this school year (2017-18). Please use the following link to sign up: [MRS. BRIGGS'S REMIND GROUP](#).

SCHOOL BUSINESS:

PRE-CSW DRESS DOWN DAY: In preparation for Catholic Schools Week ("CSW"), there will be a special Dress Down Day on Friday, January 19. The purpose of the Dress Down Day is to raise funds for the CSW service project for the children of OLP's sister community in El Salvador. The service project will take place later in the month, during Catholic Schools Week. **Students are asked to bring a free will cash donation on Friday, January 19, in exchange for the privilege of dressing down.**

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK: Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated the week of January 27 - February 2. CSW is a week-long celebration including fun events every day!

- ✠ **Saturday & Sunday, January 27-27 are Parish Appreciation Days**
- ✠ **Monday, January 29 - Student Appreciation**
- ✠ **Tuesday, January 30 - Staff Appreciation**
- ✠ **Wednesday, January 31 - Service Day**
- ✠ **Thursday, February 1 - All School Mass & Family Appreciation**
- ✠ **Friday, February 2 - Noon Dismissal/Spirit Day & Pep Assembly**

A flyer with **all the details** was sent home with students this week; so, be sure to check your child's backpack! As a quick-reference guide, see the [Calendar Listing of Daily Events](#). ***Get ready to have some FUN!***

FROM THE NURSES: This is the time of year lice can be easily spread. Please check your children's heads

occasionally for lice/nits. Please remind them not to share combs/headbands/hats/etc. Remind them to try to keep hats away from other hats. Prevention is the goal. If nits are found, treat with lice shampoos according to directions and use the combs to remove nits from hair. There is no need to be excluded from school for nits and while being treated.

EXTRACURRICULAR:

MINI-PANTHERETTES CLINIC: *Mini-Pantherettes are Back!* All girls from the ECC through 2nd grade are welcome to participate in the 3rd annual Mini Pantherettes Clinic. The cost is \$30 and includes two practice dates, two performance dates, a new PANTHERS shirt, pom poms, and a cheer hair bow. Register by returning the [Mini-Pantherettes Flyer](#) with your payment to the school office, or online at this link:

<https://www.olpspiritstore.com/mini-pantherette-clinic>. The deadline to register is **Monday, January 15**. If you have any questions, please contact Shelby Burton at olppanthercheer@gmail.com.

CHORISTERS: 2nd Grade + OLP Choristers make a great match. Beginning January 16, Elementary Choristers will be open to receiving 2nd Graders and other new members in grades 2 - 4. Elementary Choristers meets every Tuesday afternoon, in the Cooper Room, at 3:15. To join Elementary Choristers, parents can download the [Enrollment Packet](#), complete it, and return it to Mr. Armstrong at practice on January 16. For additional information, visit the [Choristers Page](#) on the parish website, or contact Mr. Armstrong at darmstrong@olpls.org, or 816-251-1100.

PTO NEWS:

BOX TOPS UPDATE: A check for \$1668 will be arriving at school any day now. This is the result of BoxTops collection for spring semester last year and the majority of first semester this year. Saving those tiny scraps of paper makes a difference. THANK YOU!!! We'll have another contest starting in about a month, so start shopping and saving... and if you see any dimes lying around your car or house, go ahead and save those, too. More details to come!

REBATES UPDATE: THANK YOU to all who participated in the recent Chipotle night. \$815 was raised for OLP! Save the date for the February 13th Culver's night. Details coming soon!

FUNDRAISING:

PANTHER PARTNERS - A COMMUNITY THAT CARES! See the ongoing list of OLP's [Panther Partners](#) on the school website. Presentation is so grateful for their support! Please be mindful not to solicit other donations (such as Auction donations) from the sponsors listed, as they have already pledged their 2017-2018 school year support. Donations will continue to be accepted throughout the entire school year. Simply submit your donation with the [Sponsorship Form](#).

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

NEW TAX BENEFIT: As you may know, just before Christmas break Congress passed revisions to the federal tax code. These revisions will allow Catholic K-12 school parents to set up tax-deductible savings accounts to pay for their children's school tuition. Money a parent deposits in one of these savings accounts is tax-deductible. For example, if a parent deposits \$5,000 in an account, their taxable income is reduced by \$5,000. Reducing taxable income reduces the parent's tax liability. In the \$5,000 example, a taxpayer could potentially pay \$300 less in taxes, though other factors come into play in preparing one's taxes.

The Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) has prepared a one page flyer entitled "[New Tax Benefit for Catholic School Parents](#)," explaining how parents can set up a tax-deductible Missouri 529 MOST account, thereby reducing the taxes they pay. Additional information is also presented in a [letter from Missouri State Treasurer Eric Schmitt](#).

CARPOOL REQUEST: The Coats family is looking for someone who can help with morning transportation to school for their two children: Caden, in 2nd grade, and Samantha, in 5th Grade. They live in the Edgewood subdivision, near Chipman and View High Drive. If you are able to help, please call Michon Coats at (573) 303-1469, or email at, mmgiffie@gmail.com. They are willing to financially compensate anyone who can help out.

PARISH NEWS:

PARTNERS IN FAITH: Click the link to access the January issue of [Partners in Faith](#). This newsletter is presented by Jo Engert, Director of Children's Faith Formation at Our Lady of the Presentation Parish, with helpful information to help children grow in their Catholic faith. The publication is presented in both English and Spanish.

CRAZY CASH RAFFLE: Presentation's annual Crazy Cash Giveaway is currently underway. Proceeds from the Crazy Cash Giveaway will benefit the Future Projects fund and a 10% tithe will benefit Catholic Charities. See the [Crazy Cash Flyer](#) for all the details. The deadline to return raffle tickets is **February 12**. Questions? Contact Jane Krawczyk at the Parish Office, jkrawczyk@olpls.org.

PARISH FAMILY GAME NIGHT: Family Game Night will be held **Friday, January 26**. This year's game is called **Quest!** Free tickets are available after Masses on January 20-21 and at the Parish Office. See the [Quest Flyer](#) for details. Questions? Contact Jane Krawczyk at the Parish Office, jkrawczyk@olpls.org.

