



## Our Lady of Good Counsel School

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This Week at OLG  
February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### **Dear Parents,**

In this month of February dedicated to Love and Family we plan to celebrate children and young people hoping for a better world by praying the Archdiocesan Prayer for Vocations at lunch hours. As well we plan to show love for our less fortunate brothers and sisters on earth by participating in the toy sale and thus helping children through the Holy Childhood Association.

### **Floor Tile Transport-Tomorrow**

Special thanks to one of our parents who will pick up our floor tiles and deliver them to the school tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. We ask that any parents that can help to carry up some tiles to the Grade 6 classroom please report to the school's office at 2:30 p.m. to ease in the movement of the tiles for Brian our Maintenance Man.

### **New Floors**

Our OLG PEC has approved the replacement of flooring in our Grade 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 classrooms. In order to make this a reality we require parent help to complete the project. As such PEC has granted double hours to parents willing to assist with old tile removal and odd jobs as required by Brian, our Maintenance Man and other construction professionals on the job. We will need a number of helping hands February 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> as needed. If you can help especially during the first two days please contact Brian immediately at 778-863-1874.

### **OLGC Basketball 2018**

Congratulations to our Grade 7 Boys who won gold at our Don Bosco Tournament last Friday. League games continue this week with playoffs starting soon for those who qualify. Go! Knights Go!

### **Catholic Educators Conference- February 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> - No School**

On Thursday, February 8<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> our teachers will attend the Catholic Educators Conference in Vancouver. OLG School will be leading the Day 2 Opening Prayer at this conference and will pray for our school and community during this prayer.

### **Family Day- February 12<sup>th</sup> - No School**

### **Red Day / Jump Rope for Heart 2018**

Tuesday February 13<sup>th</sup> will be Jump Rope for Heart Day at OLG. All students will rotate through the gym and workout (jump rope, shoot hoops, aerobics) to help raise money for the Heart and Stroke Fund. Students are asked to bring \$2.00, or whatever amount you choose. Please have your child wear Red athletic clothes on this day. Mr. Egitto has requested that students wear runners for PE.

### **Red Day- Valentine's Day- February 13<sup>th</sup>**

With Valentine's Day and Ash Wednesday falling on the same day, February 14<sup>th</sup>, we find ourselves in a contradiction. It is a custom that our classes hold Valentine's Day parties and parents and kids will bring in treats, baked goods, etc. As this may appear contrary to the spirit of Lent; we plan to join our already planned Mardi Gras/Shrove Tuesday celebrations with our Valentine's Day parties and offer up prayers, fasting, and alms for those they love on Ash Wednesday.

## **Daughters of St. Paul- February 13<sup>th</sup>**

The Daughters of St. Paul will be coming to OLGC on Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> to visit with the children and promote their Catholic books, dvds, saints books and fiction. Parents are welcome to check out their products for use with your families.

## **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Lunch- Helpers Needed**

On Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, we will serve a pancake lunch to our students. Our parent Chef Mr. Alejandro is in need of 8 volunteers from 9:00 a.m. onwards. Please be reminded to send students with their own reusable plate, cup and cutlery in a clearly marked bag. Orders were due Monday of this week and it is expected all will order to support the Holy Childhood Association. Please submit by Friday at the latest.

## **Ash Wednesday**

On February 14<sup>th</sup> all students will receive ashes which will be followed by our annual Hunger Lunch at 11:30 a.m. in the school's auditorium. Special thanks to our Grade 7 students and staff for your leadership on this day. We plan to offer up our prayers, fasting, and alms for those we love this Ash Wednesday.

## **Grade 7 Ski Trip**

Our Grade 7's will be travelling to Grouse Mountain February 16<sup>th</sup>. Pray for their safety and snow.

## **First Communion 2018**

Here are the important dates and events to know:

- February 20<sup>th</sup> -Parent Meeting - 6:30 p.m. in the School Auditorium
- February 24<sup>th</sup> -Retreat and Enrollment Mass - 12:50 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.  
-Enrollment Mass will start at 3:00 p.m.
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> -First Confession. Following 9:00 a.m. Mass
- May 8<sup>th</sup> -First Communion Practice - 6:20 p.m.
- May 12<sup>th</sup> -First Communion Mass - 3:30 p.m. (note the change of time)

## **Confirmation 2018- June 15th**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred upon our Grade 7 students and PREP students June 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Our Parent and/or Sponsor meeting will be February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the school's auditorium. This will be followed by a retreat on Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and concluding with Mass at 3:30 p.m.

## **Mission Toy Sale 2018- Helpers Needed**

This year's Mission Toy Sale for the Holy Childhood will be held on February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please send any clean, working, and complete toys, books, and games etc. to the school between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. over the next 2 weeks. Ms. Murphy will collect these toys. Please do not leave bags outside the doors as the school is used for other functions in the evening.

If any parents wish to come and help, and receive work hours, with the sale or the set-up, please contact the office ASAP. We are in need of lots of help during the set up Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00 p.m.. Call the school if you can help.

## **OLGC Pre-School News**

If you want to register your child aged 3-4 for our OLGC Pre-School, there are a few spots available. Please contact Lenny Martins at 604-581-3225.

## **OLGC Out of School Care News**

If you require out of school care please contact Lenny Martins at 604-581-3225.

## **OLGC Knights in Action**

Congratulations to our Knights in Action for displaying random acts of kindness. This week's winners are Raphy (4), Nika (4), Brennan (5) Aaron (6), and Cedric (6). Thanks to all our students for participating.

## **Work Party**

Our next work party, dedicated mostly to flooring will be this Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the office if you plan to attend.

## **Holy Cross High School**

Grade 7 parents if you have not registered your child for Grade 8 at Holy Cross please do so on-line. Spots are filling up fast.

## **St. John Paul II Academy**

St. John Paul II Academy is happy to announce they are now accepting applicants for Gr. 8 for the 2018-19 school year. As there are a limited number of spaces available, all student applications must be completed by Fri. Feb. 23, 2018 and returned to Mr. Michel DesLauriers, Principal, 4885 St. John Paul II Way, Vancouver, BC, V5Z 0G3.

You can find the Application Form and more information on the school website:

[www.sjp2academy.com](http://www.sjp2academy.com) Email: [mdeslauriers@cisva.bc.ca](mailto:mdeslauriers@cisva.bc.ca) T: 604. 683. 9331

## **Pink Day– February 28<sup>th</sup>**

Make some noise against bullying! On February 28<sup>th</sup> OLGC School will wear pink to say NO to Bullying. Students at OLGC are reminded to stop bullying when they see it and tell their teacher or someone in authority. Please see our Catholic Independent Schools' website under "committed to bully free schools" at [cisva.bc.ca](http://cisva.bc.ca). On this website we are reminded that "*Policies alone do not bring about change. Hearts, minds, and souls should be centered on respect for the human person*".

## **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Don Bosco 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament**

We are pleased to announce the 16th Annual Don Bosco 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament hosted by the Salesian Co-operators of OLGC on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

We would like to extend the invitation to all boys and girls born in the years 2002 - 2010.

Please submit ASAP. We look forward to receiving your registrations and thank you for your participation. Below is the contact name for both the boys and girls teams. Please do not hesitate to call or email with any questions.

Contact – Joe Amabili by phone at [604 - 514 - 4306](tel:604-514-4306) or email [jamabili@shaw.ca](mailto:jamabili@shaw.ca)

## **Holy Cross High School -Volleyball Skills Camp**

This spring Holy Cross Jr Crusaders is holding a volleyball program geared for girls currently in Grades 4 & 5 who want to increase their volleyball skills and love of the game. For some players, this will be their first introduction to the sport so there will be a large focus on fun while learning new skills. This is a great opportunity to have fun, make new friends and learn the game. Cost is \$80. Program runs every Saturday 9:30-11:00 a.m. April 7-June 9 @ Holy Cross Regional High School. If you are interested: email [bgrandia@holycross.bc.ca](mailto:bgrandia@holycross.bc.ca) to secure a spot before March 9.

## **Kenya Trip Support – Cupcake Sale**

One of our OLGC Alumni attending Holy Cross, Luisa Galindo, is raising funds to help the poor in Nanuki, Kenya this year. She will be selling cupcakes after school tomorrow.

## **Important Dates:**

- February 8<sup>th</sup> -CEC Conference – No School
- February 9<sup>th</sup> -CEC Conference – No School
- February 12<sup>th</sup> -Family Day – No School
- February 13<sup>th</sup> -Red Day /Jump Rope for Heart
- February 13<sup>th</sup> -Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Lunch
- February 14<sup>th</sup> -Ash Wednesday
- February 15<sup>th</sup> -Confirmation Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- February 16<sup>th</sup> -Grade 7 Ski Trip
- February 17<sup>th</sup> -Confirmation Retreat & Enrollment Mass
- February 19<sup>th</sup> -HCA Mission Toy Sale
- February 20<sup>th</sup> -First Communion Meeting (6:20 p.m.)
- February 24<sup>th</sup> -First Communion Retreat and Enrollment Mass
- February 28<sup>th</sup> -Pink Shirt Day/Anti Bullying Day
- March 5<sup>th</sup> -Sexuality & Your Child Grade 4 Meeting (6 p.m.)
- March 7<sup>th</sup> -2017-2018 Registration (5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.)
- March 7<sup>th</sup> -Sexuality & Your Child Meetings (Gr.5, 6 & 7)
- March 12<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> -Spring Break