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This Week at OLGC
November 20th, 2024

Dear Parents,

Today our Grade Seven class said yes for their desire to be confirmed later this year and to work hard in upholding all the tenants in their Confirmation contract. Please continue to pray for our Grade Seven's here at OLGC School and Parish and all the Grade Seven's in the Archdiocese of Vancouver.

Today we also wore Red as part of our CISVA Schools participation in Red Wednesday where we raised awareness of persecuted Christians around the world.

On Monday night, Mr. Wright attended the Archbishops' dinner with other CISVAA Principals with the focus on Educating for Mission in our Archdiocese; one of the closest ministries to the heart of the Archbishop which he shared during his speech to attendees. OLGC School was featured at the end of the dinner with a special cameo by Mrs. Kirk. Way to go OLGC Best in BC! See the You Tube video [here](#) or at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Ut-6fssP6A>

Extra-curricular Sports 2024

Congratulations to our Grade 5 and 6 Girls Volleyball team in winning the bronze medal at the CISVA Championships last week. Well done girls! Thank you to Mr. Lavapie, Mr. Campos, for Miss Ramirez and Mrs. Bourpoulas for coaching the girls this year. Thank you for your support.

Basketball season is upon us and we have started our basketball pre-season program. Mr. Egitto is running his 2 Ball program at lunch and a shooting skills and drills session for interested participants in Grades 5, 6, and 7 before school. Open gym for Grade 5, 6, and 7 after school from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please see pre-season schedule sent out earlier this month. Full practices will begin Monday, November 25th.

Mrs. Quickert's Quick Picks 2024

Mrs. Quickert Quick Pick winner is Trevor (7) Congratulations! Make sure you do your quick pick each week to be entered into the draw. Grades 4-7 can sign into Google Classroom to find their selected skill of the week.

Professional Development Day – November 22nd – No School

Casual Day for Covenant House – November 28th

OLGC School will be participating in the Casual Day for Covenant House Thursday, November 28th. On this day students will not be required to wear their school uniform if they pay \$3.00 otherwise they should come to school in their uniform. This is a very worthwhile Youth Outreach program for our Vancouver Youth. Please plan to participate.

School Confessions Grade 3-7 November 28th

In preparation for Advent and in celebrating our faith with the focus on Confession our student will be able to go to confession next Thursday, November 28th. Please assist them with an examination of conscience and practice what needs to be said during confession.

First Reconciliation- November 29th

On Friday, November 29th our Grade Two class will be making their First Reconciliation. Special thanks to Miss Ramirez and her team for preparing our students. Please pray as they continue to prepare.

Advent Prayer Services 2024

Advent starts December 1st. Our students will participate in weekly Advent Prayer services in our OLG School Auditorium. The schedule is as follows:

- 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 3rd
- 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 10th
- 9:00 a.m. Thursday, December 19th

Kindergarten 2024 Sibling Registration-Due December 6th

Our sibling 2025 Kindergarten registration is now open and due Friday, December 6th.

If you have a child who was born in 2020 fill out the Kindergarten New Sibling PDF form:

<https://olgcschool.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/OLGC-NewSibling-KindergartenInfoFor-2025.pdf> and bring or send it in to our OLG School Office with the registration fee.

Parents can also find it on the OLG School website under the Forms page:

<https://olgcschool.ca/parent-portal/forms/>. This form is for siblings (brothers and sisters) for students who are starting Kindergarten next year.

Children's Christmas Party- December 6th

On Friday, December 6th – St. Nicholas Feast Day we will have our Children's Christmas Party in the afternoon. Students will wear Christmas sweaters in return for bringing in canned food, and/or "Fill the Crib" item and a loonie or toonie ("gold coin") for the Holy Childhood Association.

OLGC Hot Lunch 2024

Our next hot lunch will be Church's Chicken December 6th – The Feast of St. Nicholas. All orders are due by November 26th at 11:59 p.m. No late orders will be accepted by the Munchalunch system. Please sign in and order using the following link to register and order:

<https://munchalunch.com/login>

We will be in need a minimum of one volunteer per class on November 6th. Volunteers should arrive at 11:15 a.m. to sort the orders and deliver to each classroom and assist as needed in the classroom. You will be given 2 hours for helping out. Please call the school's office if you are willing and able to assist. Please call the school's office at 604-581-3154 if you can help out.

Please contact Mrs. Paulin at r.paulin29@gmail.com, Mrs. Robles at

angelaz.robles17@gmail.com or Mrs. Chow at nie_kuan82@yahoo.com if you have issues with ordering.

Christmas Concert Front Row- \$5.00

We have started selling spots on our raffle board for our OLG Christmas Concert Front Row.

Bring in your \$5.00 starting this Friday to win the best seats in the house. We will draw this coveted prize during the Children's Christmas Party Friday, December 6th.

FundScrip Fundraiser 2024-due tomorrow

Tomorrow is the deadline for our OLG School Fundscrip Fundraiser!

Please click [here](#) for the order form or find the form on our olgcschool.ca website under the Parent Portal tab and then the Fundraising tab. Please send in all orders by tomorrow

Thursday, November 21, 2024. Thank you for your support.

Neufeld Farms Fundraiser 2024-due Monday

Our annual Neufeld Farms Holiday ordering link is:

<https://app.neufeldfarms.ca/fundraising/2024-our-lady-of-good-counsel-school-df367ef238/ref/em>

The ordering link will be open until [Monday, November 25th](#) with orders available for pick up on Friday, December 5th at approximately 2:30 pm. Thank you for your support!

Stage Set Up- December 11th

Our Christmas Concert Stage set up will be December 11th starting at 2:00 p.m. Please contact the school if you plan to assist.

OLGC School Christmas Concert-December 18th – Tech/Sound Assistance

We are beginning preparations for our school's Christmas Concert set for December 18th and will be in need of those who have skills to assist us in tech/sound/video as needed and required. If you are able to assist and have the skills to do so please contact the school's office.

Christmas Play Stage Take down-December 19th

Brian is looking for a few volunteers to help take down the stage Thursday, December 19th at 12:00 p.m. If you want hours and can help, please contact Brian at 778-863-1874.

Principal for the Day – Spirit Week 2025

We started selling \$5 squares for the chance to be the Principal of OLGC for the day during Spirit Week in the last week of January. The winner will help lead the school and join Mr. Wright and a friend of their choice for lunch on this day.

Sun Run 2025

The OLGC Sun Run Team is back to participate in the 2025 Vancouver Sun Run on Sunday April 27, 2025! To enter your child as a participant in our Sun Run Team, please visit the website: <https://www.vancouver.sunrun.com/oasis-youth-team-challenge/>

Our Team Name is: OLGC Knights Team Access Code: AKRKBH

The cost to enter the Sun Run is as follows:

Youth (18 and below) –Nov 1 to Feb 7 2025: \$30.00 (plus tax and fees)

Feb 8 to Mar 14: \$40.00 (plus tax and fees)

Adult (19 and above) – Nov 1 to Feb 7 2024: \$45.00 (plus tax and fees)

Feb 8 to Mar 14: \$50.00 (plus tax and fees)

Please note that March 14 is the last day to enter our Sun Run Team

We will start training on Wednesday mornings in the DBYC at 8:00 AM. For more details, please contact Mrs. Kirk at mrs.kirk@olgc-school.ca

Absentees/Excuse Notes

It is very important that you call the **school office** by 8:30 a.m. if your child will be absent or late. Please refrain from contacting the classroom teacher of absenteeism. This will save us calling you to check if your child is home. Upon returning to school, your child **must bring a note** to the classroom teacher explaining the reason for the absence and stating the day(s) absent. This information is required for our annual attendance audit that determines our government funding for the year.

Student Pick up/Drop Off

Thank you for adhering to our OLGC School drop-off and pick up protocols. See the student planner for more details. Please be aware of moving vehicles in our parking lots and please slow down when driving on the church and school property. Students may not arrive prior to 8:15 a.m. as parent supervisors are not available to supervise prior to this time. Our morning bell rings at 8:45 a.m. to start our day and our Salesian priests' morning message. Please have your child here at school for this time. Pick up is at 2:50 p.m. and prompt pick up is required unless your child is involved in our extra-curricular sports.

Student Supervision

Students must not be left on the school campus before 8:15 a.m. or after 3:15 p.m. as there is no supervision. Students left before and beyond these times may be sent to the OLGc Before and After School program and be charged the daily drop in fee. Please consult your school policy manual located in the front pages of the student planners. Please ensure that you have made arrangements prior to coming to school for your child to be promptly picked up! If there is an emergency, please call the office.

Uniforms

If you need new or a replacement place orders at www.topmarks.ca. See further package details on our olgcschool.ca website at <https://olgcschool.ca/parent-portal/uniforms/>

Or use this link:

<https://olgcschool.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/OLGC-UniformOrderForm2024-2025.pdf>

Supervision Duty Days

Parents are required fulfil their school commitment by showing up to supervise on their assigned days. Please ensure you are here to do so on your assigned day. Thank you.

Visitors & Visitors Tags

For the safety of our students and staff, all visitors and parents are required to report to the secretary's office where a "Visitor" tag will be issued. Parents are NOT to go to their child's classroom during instructional times. Supplies and lunches should not need to be left at the office. Please encourage your children **to bring all needed items to school daily.**

2024-25 Google Form for Work Hours

Thank you for continuing to support our school with your time and talents. Please submit your work hours via the OLGc Work Google forms on-line within 7 days of completing the work or task assigned to be valid using our school's Google Forms reporting tool. If hours are not submitted during the **7 day** time period they will be forfeited. Also please note that Work hours submission through Google Forms will now be submitted one activity and one approver at a time. Here is the link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJ81uzUoKxoAVwA1BmFH-mK6NsvMACgDN1u5_r2xOD3U19kw/viewform

OLGC Preschool

Preschool is for 3 and 4 year olds. If you have questions about the Preschool and would like to register please contact Mrs. Martins at 604-581-3225. We still have some spaces available but plan to fill the cohorts by this week.

OLGC Out of School Care

We will be using the OLGc School Auditorium for students in Grade 1 to 7 and our OLGc Preschool building for students in Kindergarten. If you need the care call Mrs. Martins at 604-581-3225.

Our December work party will be December 7th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please contact the school if you plan to attend. If you want to assist Brian, our Maintenance worker throughout the week contact him at 778-863-1874 to schedule. Please be reminded to submit your work party hours within 7 days on completing the work done using the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeJ81uzUoKxoAVwA1BmFH-mK6NsvMACgDN1u5_r2xOD3U19kw/viewform

OLGC Knights in Action

For those students doing acts of kindness we at the school like to recognize the efforts of those who do good throughout the year. If you notice a kind act please feel free to communicate this to staff so they may be recognized. This week's Knights in Action are: Milah (K), Loucean (K), Christella (K), Miles (K), Mikaela (5), Jaxson(5), Markey (4), Jane (4), Leila (4), Aliya (4), Gina (5), Laveenia (6), Jillian (6), Erianna (7), Christina (7), and Liliane (7).

Community News:

From Mrs. Burpoulous...

Hello OLGC families. I am currently pursuing my masters in school counseling. I am now able to provide counselling services separate from OLGC and the CISVA. If you or anyone you know is interested or would like more information please reach out.

Contact my supervisor Marnie Bates at marniebates.com, Batesmarnie@gmail.com or call 778-866-8434.

Like and follow our Parish Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/olgcsurrey> .The school was featured this weekend on our Remembrance Day Mass and student art work. Also follow the school on Twitter (X) @OLGCSurrey and Instagram @OLGCKnight. Let's stay connected!

Please pray for the continued healing for Mrs. Diane Craig our OLGC Parish Bookkeeper.

Don Bosco Spring Break Camp will run March 17th to March 21st. More details will follow in the new year.

Holy Cross High School will be running their Annual Basketball Shooting Camp on Dec 30/31 Jan 2/3 from 9-11am. Please click this link for more information:

[Holy Cross Basketball Shooting Camp 2024](#)

Important dates:

- November 20th -Red Wednesday
- November 21st -Fundscript orders due
- November 22nd -CISVA Networking Day – Pro-D – No School
- November 25th -Neufeld Farms Fundraiser orders due
- November 28th -Casual Day for Covenant House
- November 29th -Term One CSL Learning Update
- December 3rd -Advent Prayer Service 1
- December 6th -Children's Christmas Party –PM (Food item & Lonnie or Toonie)
- December 6th -Kindergarten Sibling Registration due
- December 7th -Work Party #4
- December 10th -Advent Prayer Service 2
- December 13th -Preschool Christmas Party
- December 18th -OLGC Christmas Concert
- December 19th -Advent Prayer Service 3
- December 19th -Santa Brunch in DBYC
- December 20th -Christmas Break-12:00 p.m. Dismissal
- January 6th -School re-opens