



# Old Mission School News

## Old Mission Catholic School Weekly Newsletter

OMS website: [www.omsslo.com](http://www.omsslo.com)

February 1, 2008

### Dates to Remember

Monday, February 4

**OMS Pizza Day**

**Scrip Preorder**

Tuesday, February 5

**Parent Club Mtg.**

**1 PM, Nativity Campus**

Wednesday, February 6

**9:30 AM Mass, Ash**

**Wednesday**

**Minimum Day Dismissal**

**Faculty Mtg., 1:30 - 3:00PM**

Friday, February 8

**Nativity Team Mtg.**

### News and Notes

#### ***Thursday, February 21, 2008***

You may have heard on the news that the "TOUR DE CALIFORNIA" will mean that world class cyclists will be coming down the coast from Monterey to San Luis Obispo during the event. On Thursday, February 21, they will stop and stay in San Luis Obispo. Many of the local streets will be closed down, including Chorro and Foothill. It continues to be a premier event. Because our OMS campus sits right in midst of the logistical setting for the event, we will need to schedule a minimum day and cancel ASA on this campus for the day. There will be no tutoring. All students need to be picked up by 1 PM because traffic will be a mess soon after. Thank you for accommodating this change. By the way, if any of your children love biking, some premier cyclists will be in SLO on this day.

Thank you

***OMS Dental Screening*** Dr. Frank Daniel will screen students in grades 1, 3, 5 and 7 on Monday, February 11, 2008. Nativity Campus screening Monday, February 25, 2008. We thank him for graciously volunteering his time and expertise.

***Scrip Preorder*** Next OMS scrip preorder is Monday, February 4, 2008.

***All preorders must be in no later than noon.***

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**Needed - altar servers!!** Adults and youth are invited. We have many dedicated servers but many have "retired" and so we are in great need! We would like to have two servers at each mass and with 7 masses per weekend (and not wanting servers to have to commit to more than 2 Sundays a month) you can see that we need to have a large pool to draw from. Please ask God if this is the ministry for you and if so call Terry 781-8220 ext. 15 if you'd like more details. Our next training will be Feb. 17 at 3 PM. Mark your calendars, RSVP, and we'll see you there!!

**Applaise! Kudos! Special Thanks!** One of the last maintenance projects I had on my list this year was the student bathrooms. The girls' bathroom needed new flooring, new stalls, new paint, and a plumbing refresher. The boys' bathroom needed new stalls and new paint. Well, I want you to know that four of our dads, each with his own business, were willing to put in their own time and talent to help Old Mission School in this bathroom update. Carl Davis, one of our eighth-grade dads who owns KD Construction, helped us order, receive delivery, and install the bathroom partitions for both bathrooms. Michael Balson (a dad with children in fifth and eighth grades), along with his brothers David and Craig, handled the complete flooring process. Michael co-owns a company called Majorda Design (specializing in stamped concrete), and I hope you all come by to see the new flooring in the girls' bathroom. Norm Solis, who has a Mr. Rooter franchise, has children in grades four and six. He took care of all the plumbing needs related to the project. Finally, Richie Gill (owner of Mission Floor Care) is one of our seventh-grade dads. Richie coordinated the project and pitched in to help with all the phases of the project. To these four dads, I am extremely grateful. You made this project a reality outside your own work. Thank you for your expertise and commitment.

Parents, you are invited to come by and see the results of these dads giving up part of their MLK weekend to make this a reality. Richie will be painting in the upcoming weeks, and putting the final touches into each bathroom.

Thank You!

**Tax Deduction Receipts** Please be aware. If you deduct extended care fees from your federal income tax, keep each month's invoice as your receipt. If we are asked to provide a year-end statement, a fee of \$10.00 will be charged.



**Attention: Parents/ Players of 7th & 8th Grade Basketball:**

Pictures will be taking place on Monday, February 11, 2008 at 3:30 in the Mission Gardens. Please remember to bring your uniforms on this day. Picture order forms will be handed out at practice.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
UPCOMING PIZZA DAY MONDAYS**

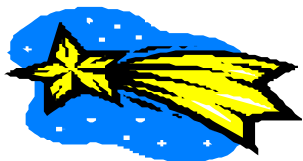
**FEBRUARY 4, 11, AND 25**

**MARCH 3, 10, AND 17**

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## ***Falcon Awards***



### **Service and Compassion**

Ernesto Roide, Makenna Parkinson, Adelyn Peterson, Liana Sage, Meghan Fox, Michael Ronay, Kieren Reynolds, Skye Michel, Sam Santos, and Victoria Gill.

### **Pride in Work**

Faith Bukachevsky, Jenna Miller, Breanna Donlon, Andrew Kargol, Madline Handy, Hannah Kim, Patrick Miller, Bailey Bleuher, Tess Boehm, and Celeste Brown.

## ***Valentine's Day Celebration***

On Thursday February 14, students at Old Mission School will celebrate Saint Valentine's Day. Elementary campus students may wear optional dress (and jeans, too!) Students are encouraged to wear red on this day. Each class (Gr. 1-5) will have a party, and students are invited to distribute valentines to their classmates. If your son/daughter is planning to distribute valentines, we ask that s/he bring cards, candy, etc. for EVERYONE in the class. We strive to create a climate where all children feel included and where no child is intentionally (or unintentionally) excluded from receiving a Valentine's Day greeting. Thank you for helping us make Old Mission School a truly loving environment for your children. Instead of class parties, grades 6-8 will be attending a social at Boomer's in Santa Maria.

Please note the following Scrip preorder dates that are scheduled for the next few months:

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22 (Friday due to holidays)**

**MONDAY, MARCH 10**

**MONDAY, APRIL 7**

## ***The Door Competition***

This year each class was invited to decorate the classroom door using the theme of Catholic School's Week: "Catholic Schools Light the Way." The grandparents were asked to judge the doors, and the fifth grade won the competition. They have earned a day with an extra recess, a game of kickball with their teacher, and a day of jeans. Congratulations to Ms. Richards, and thank you, grandparents!

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### ***More Gratitude to Parent Club Members!***

We want to thank Shoshana Morgan and Miranda Joseph who organized and hosted a warm Parent Club welcome for our **grandparent guests** on Monday, January 28 before Mass. Our grandparent guests joined them for boutonnieres, coffee and treats at our "in case of rain" site at the Youth Center. Students came to meet them there and escort them to a Mass in their honor.

The beautiful boutonnieres for the grandparents were prepared at cost by Melinda Lynch of Festive Design. Coffee was donated by It's A Grind Coffee House (Costco Center). Please remember to support these businesses that have been so generous to Old Mission School. Thank you, Shoshana, Miranda, and our Parent Club!

### ***And the Thank Yous Continue!***

Congratulations to Janda Boehm, one of our moms, who received the Service and Compassion Award at Tuesday's assembly. After students in each class received the Service and Compassion Awards, we took time to acknowledge a parent model who continues to teach values of service and compassion. Janda has assisted with our art program and art shows throughout the years; she has assisted the Thrift Store in organizing the new sweatshirt orders/sales; she has driven, helped in service projects, supported student athletes, and always found ways to help Old Mission School be a kinder place.

Congratulations to Debbie Doria and Jean Smidth, who were awarded the volunteer of the year awards at Thursday's assembly. This award goes to a parent who is graduating their last child from Old Mission School. Debbie Doria has assisted all three of her children's classes, being a room mom in one or another of their classes for the last 16 years. She has also presented the faculty with awesome lunches occasionally...before the faculty meeting. One year I watched her wrap the juice boxes for the Christmas party in one classroom...telling me "these kids can only enjoy their childhood once." Jean Smidth came into our school family and immediately agreed to help with pizza day. Circumstances changed, and before she could blink her eyes, she was left with the total program. She has continued on as pizza chair, organizing a committee of parents who are always positive and upbeat. She is a wonderful communicator, and was so willing to work with the Parent Club as they decided about what drinks should be served on pizza day.

Finally, special thanks to Lori Woolridge who chaired the hot dog lunch committee for Play Day during Catholic School's Week. What a nice contribution by our Parent Club!

Thank you to each class volunteer...signs with your names were up on the wall...and we appreciate each gift of your time and talent. Thank you to the many parent presenters who came in to share careers or experiences with class this week!

We have been so blessed with this parent community.

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