



Old Mission School News

Old Mission Catholic School Weekly Newsletter

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April 25, 2008

Dates to Remember

Monday, April 28

OMS Pizza

Tuesday, April 29

*School Advisory Mtg.
4 - 6 PM, Development
Office*

Wednesday, April 30

No 8 AM Mass

*OMS Campus Open House
Art Show and Auction*

5 - 6:30 PM

*Parking available in MCP
garage*

Scrip available

Thursday, May 1

Living Rosary

Friday, May 2

*8th grade Special Olympics
8:15 AM—2:30 PM*

*OMS Campus Variety Show
Pavilion, 6:00 PM*

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We had a happy Open House at Nativity campus this week, and seeing the energized crowd of students, parents, visitors, teachers, and administrators reminded me once again of our overall mission. We are your educational team, working not to allow any student to fall through the crack, working to bring each one to an overall competency in readiness or in reading, in writing, in mathematics or in reasoning, in general knowledge or in understanding the mysteries of science. But the most enjoyable part of our jobs is to see joy in faces, and to be part of a young person's quest to find his/her place in the world and relationship with the God of life, the God of happiness.

There is something so important about learning how to be a friend, how to follow the rules of the team, in how to deal with a loss, in how to be disappointed and still live to tell about it. The work that finds its way to the principal's office, or the assistant principal's office is all about respect. How can a young person be mad, and still be respectful? How does a young person learn to be hurt, and still be responsible, be defeated and not just give up?

How do young people learn to pray? Their first experience, and the most important one, comes from their homes. How often do they thank God for their blessings and their talents? When do they recount their blessings? I think the most important prayer you teach them probably goes something like this:

Dear loving God,

The three ways God blessed me today are:

Thank you for...

Please help me with...

Help me have a good day tomorrow. Thank you for all the people who love me.

Open House on the OMS Campus is scheduled for April 30. I hope to see you there!

With warmest wishes,

Teri Stegman, Principal

Additional Scrip News Shell is now available in a new \$50 denomination in addition to the already \$25 and \$200 gift cards. The benefit of 1.5% will remain the same.



Mi\$\$ion Family Ad\$ This has been a fantastic year for the ads and the Parent Club wishes to thank every one, business and individuals alike, who have placed ads over the year. There is one more ad opportunity for you to take advantage of the great deal. Only \$5 for a business card size space. Remember to advertise, publicize, buy, sell, trade, etc. in the Mi\$\$ion Family Ad\$. Last deadline is Tuesday, May 13 by 9:30 AM. Thank you! Kristy Hall

**** Look for the ad form in Friday, May 9 newsletter ****

Uniforms, Dress Code, and Options for 08-'09 We are sending home the newly revised dress code for next year! And with it, we are sending home an order form in case you would like to place a spring order for sweatshirts, vests, jackets, hats, and other school clothing items. **The last day to order this spring will be May 5, 2008.** Please attach your check to the order form. The next time this order form will go home will be during the first two weeks of school in August.

If you have any questions about the dress code, please call either me or Tina Ballantyne.

A Tentative Look at the 2008-2009 Calendar!

We are finalizing the calendar for next year, and I wanted to give you some highlights. It will be difficult to coordinate with the MCP calendar because they will be retrofitting, and they cannot start their school year until September 11. They will be going until June 17, 2009. But several of our school holidays during the school year are coordinated.

Our first day of school will be August 19. Fall conferences will be a full day on November 14, and two minimum days of conferences on November 17 and November 18. Thanksgiving break will be November 26 - November 30. Christmas break will begin December 22. Classes will resume January 5, 2009.

Catholic Schools week will be January 26 -30, 2009. President's Winter Break will be February 13 - 17. Spring break will be late next year, and will go from April 10 - April 20. School will resume April 21. 8th grade promotion will be May 22, at 4 PM. The dinner and dance will go from 6 - 10 PM. Finally, the last day of school will land on June 9, 2009. I hope this might help you make family vacation plans! A more complete calendar will be sent home later this spring.

The first day of the 2009-2010 school year will be close to August 20, 2009.

Parking is available in MCP garage for the Old Mission Open House, Wednesday, April 30, 2008.



Falcon Awards

Teacher's Choice

Lynnde Cole, Charlie Reilly, Catherine Haddad, Caroline Rossi, Lauren Andalis, Devin McCormick, Micaela Morgan, Tobin Shea, Spencer Garner, Emily Meissner, Sabrina Zehnder, and Gabriel Erno.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR

UPCOMING PIZZA DAY **MONDAYS**

APRIL 28

MAY 5, 12, AND 19

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR

UPCOMING JAMBA DAY **FRIDAYS**

APRIL 25

MAY 2, 9, 16, 23, AND 30

Please note the following Scrip preorder dates for the remainder of the school year:

MONDAY, MAY 5 (for purchases for 08/09)

MONDAY, MAY 19 (For purchases for 08/09)

Preorders due by 10:00 AM

A friendly reminder that the scrip year ends on May 1. There are three more preorders left before the end of this scrip year. May 5 will be offered for purchases for the 08/09 scrip year.

Scoliosis Screening

Screening will be conducted on Monday, May 12, for 7th grade girls and 8th grade boys. Notices will be sent home soon. If you do not receive a notice, you may pick one up in the office. If you do not wish your student to participate, be sure to return the non-permission slip before the screening.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE END OF 07-08 SCRIP YEAR

With the 07-08 scrip year quickly coming to an end on May 1, there are a few items we want to make clear to families. First, regarding the minimum purchase amount of \$2,500, new totals are being completed. If there is any family that has not yet reached the \$2,500 amount, we will be calling to let you know and give you the opportunity to purchase scrip gift cards from the school office needed to meet the minimum.

Second, for any family that has gone over \$5,000 to earn a bonus, you will receive a notice from the school office.

Living Rosary

The students of grade three will lead us in a Living Rosary and crowning of Mary on the playground at 9:15 AM on Thursday, May 1. All students will attend, and parents are welcome to pray with us, too. We are asking all students to bring decorated cans or plastic containers (no glass) to school along with flowers on May 1. We also need parents to help arrange flowers before school begins. If you would like to help, please bring clippers and plan to be here by 7:45 AM on Thursday, May 1. Thank you!

A Host Family Needed for a Current OMS Student Simon Yu is a 7th grade student at OMS. He came from South Korea four months ago and is needing a new Host family to continue attending OMS. He enjoys OMS very much and would like to finish up 8th Grade. If you are interested in hosting Simon for a year, please contact Sora Kim at 541-1306. Stipend is provided.

Blessing,
Sora Kim



OMS Open House and Art Show Wednesday, April 30, 5 :00 to 6:30 PM

You are invited to the OMS Open House. Enjoy visiting the classrooms and meeting the teachers. Your children's art will be exhibited at our Open House this year. There will be artful items for sale by each of the grades one through five.
