



October 28, 2021

*“Prayer instils an invincible hope in the human heart: whatever experience may touch us on our journey, God’s love can turn it into good. True freedom is guided by love and is expressed in service to others. Love makes us free, it leads us to choose and to do good, it motivates us to serve.”*

*-Pope Francis*

### **Hallowe’en**

*Halloween* is the night of October 31<sup>st</sup>. The word means “Hallow’s Eve.” *Hallow* is the same word for “holy” that we find in the Lord’s Prayer, and *e’en* is a contraction of “evening.” The word *Halloween* itself is a shortened form of “All Hallows Eve,” the day before All Saints Day.

This holiday, properly understood and celebrated with all of its fun trappings, can be a way for us to deepen our understanding of our faith. The key to this understanding is close at hand for Catholics in our love of the communion of saints.

Halloween isn’t just the way we end October. It is the way we begin November. On Halloween Night - the holy Eve of All Saints’ day – we begin the church’s month to remember the dead.

### **Unsolved Mystery of the Roaming Woman**

The Grade 7’s are preparing an “unsolved Mystery of the Roaming Woman” for grades 4 to 6.

The primaries will be participating in classroom activities and Hallowe’en stations. No interaction between the classes will take place and Covid safety procedures will be followed.

We are asking for a \$2.00 donation to be donated to Agape Street Ministry and Canuck Place.

### **Classroom Halloween Celebrations**

- Students may come in costume on Friday, October 29, 2021
- Students are not allowed to bring in accessories such as mask, swords, shields, wands, etc.
- The school will provide a treat for the students. No outside treats allowed.

### **Online Craft Fair**

Just a reminder that the Online Craft Fair is now available for you to view and make a purchase until next Friday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. This fundraiser features unique and personal items designed by your little artists. Order a priceless keepsake of your child's masterpiece at <https://busybeecreates.square.site/>.

Please see the upcoming notice regarding the Craft Fair that will be sent out by the classroom teachers. This notice will display all the available items for purchase. The items are a fabulous keepsake and Christmas gift.

### **Remembrance Day**

On 9:15am, Wednesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, the students will join together in a virtual assembly a link will be sent to parents on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> to honour the men and women who sacrificed their lives so that we may have peace. I'd like to thank Ms. Boots and Mrs. Ladouceur for preparing this important day of Remembrance.

### **Multi-Sport Day Camp - November 19th, 2021**

OLM parents Geoffrey and Sandra Lenahan are offering a multi-sport day camp in the OLM gymnasium on November 19th, from 9am-3pm. They run 2-4-1 Sports New West camps in the summer, and are happy to bring to the students their program based on fun and exposure to various sports and activities.

Registration is online at <https://forms.gle/CFNQCY3iwhdJdfdB7>. More info about Geoff, Sandra, and 2-4-1 sports can be found at [241sports.ca](http://241sports.ca)

Cost is \$55 per child, and space is limited to the first 20 kids

And for those wondering about the name - Life's 2 Short 4 Just 1 Sport!

### **REMINDER – Label School Uniforms**

We have an abundance of lost and found items in our office of school clothing. If there is no name on the clothing we do not know who to return the item to. As all students wear the same uniform, it is important to put your child's name on their uniform so it can be returned to the rightful owner. When purchased from the Used Uniform sales please ensure you label your child's name on their clothing as we've had lots of items returned with previous children's names who attended OLM. We will only keep items that are not labeled for 2 weeks. If unclaimed after that time, they will be donated for Used Uniforms.

**List of Important Dates (Please mark your Calendars)**

<b>Date</b>	
November 11, 2021	Remembrance Day (School and Office Closed)
November 18, 2021	Grade 3, 4 & 5 Skating Day
November 19, 2021	CISVA Networking Day - Professional Development Day (School Closed)
December 18, 2021 – January 3, 2022	Christmas Vacation (School Re-opens Tuesday, January 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2022)
January 31, 2022	Professional Development Day (School Closed)
February 17 & 18, 2022	Catholic Educators Conference (School Closed)
February 21, 2022	Family Day (School and Office Closed)
March 12 – 27, 2021 inclusive	Spring Break (School Re-opens Monday, March 28, 2022)
April 15, 2022	Good Friday (School and Office Closed)
April 18, 2022	Easter Monday (School and Office Closed)
May 20, 2022	Professional Day (School and Office Closed)
May 23, 2022	Victoria Day (School and Office Closed)
June 1, 2022	Track and Field (Swangard Stadium)
June 3, 2022	Mass Walkathon
June 8, 2022	Track and Field (Swangard Stadium)
June 10, 2022	Activity Day
June 24, 2022	Grade 7 Farewell Mass
June 28, 2022	Last Day of School