



Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

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Principal's Newsletter

November 2, 2017

Dear Parents,

Happy November! "Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever." (Psalm 106:1) This is the time of year that we focus on the many blessings in our lives. As we close in on the holidays, we look forward to spending time with family and friends. Being together with people you care about, no matter what the activity, is truly a blessing. The same can most certainly be said about our school community as well! What an uplifting time we spent together at this month's Community Homeroom!

News to share this week from school:

- **Re-registration** is well underway! A huge thank you to the many families who are taking advantage of the discounted registration fee and registering your children early. We are so uplifted by the commitment you are making to Our Lady of Good Counsel School! A reminder that you must return both the re-registration form and the fee in order to be officially registered. Forms received without payment will be returned. Also, we must have a signed copy of the Tuition Policy from every family, including our 8th grade or any non-returning families, as this policy applies to the current school year. Two copies of this policy were sent home; one to be signed and returned; the other to be retained for your records. The signed Tuition Policy is due by November 30th.
- In case you missed it, OLGC made the newspapers this week!! We were in both the **Bucks County Courier Times**, as well as **The Intelligencer**. The unveiling of our new School Logo and Mission Statement was a huge success!! Many thanks to all those who were instrumental in our success. This is only the beginning!
- We are excited to announce the creation of a **TV Production Studio** here at school. The old Honors Math/Academic Support room on D Level is in the process of being transformed into a TV Studio equipped with a green screen, news desk and much more. We anticipate the debut of OLGC News very soon! This is a great opportunity for any of our parents who have experience in video, TV production, sound, or journalism to get involved, consult, or lend a hand. Please contact the school office if you are able to help out.
- Tomorrow is the last day to order the 8th grade sponsored November lunch. Please send any last minute orders into school tomorrow. You will receive a menu for the last week of November and the month of December next week as we transition into our **new lunch program** which is set to begin on Monday, November 27.

Thank you for constant support and prayers for our school. I encourage you to continue to support our work as we advance our mission to provide a transformative education steeped in academics and faith to our deserving students. There is no greater investment for forming our future saints than a Catholic education!

Please carefully review this week's newsletter for many reminders and updates. We thank you for entrusting your children to us and for the sacrifices you make each day to send your child(ren) to Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic school!

God's peace,

Mrs. Barbara Riley
Principal

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- 11/3:** First Friday Liturgy - 9am; Confirmation Retreat
- 11/8:** 7th Grade Mass
- 11/10:** 5th and 6th Grade Field Trip; Ladies Night Out
- 11/13:** Book Fair
- 11/14:** Book Fair; PIE Meeting 7pm
- 11/15:** Kindergarten - Grade 2 - Thanksgiving Feast; 6th Grade Mass
- 11/17:** Dress Down Day - \$1.00
- 11/18:** Fall PAC Show 7pm
- 11/20:** PreK Feasts
- 11/22: NO SCHOOL**
- 11/23: HAPPY THANKSGIVING**
- 11/24: NO SCHOOL**
- 11/27:** Classes Resume; Santa Shoppe
- 11/28:** Community Homeroom - 8:45; Santa Shoppe
- 11/29:** 5th Grade Mass
- 12/1:** End of the First Trimester; First Friday Mass; Snowball Dance
- 12/4:** Second Trimester Begins; 8th Grade Trip to New York
- 12/7:** Archbishop Wood Play Grades 4-8

Lunch Monitors- HELP NEEDED

Lunch monitors are needed on a permanent basis. Each monitor will be assigned to supervise the students at lunch and recess. This duty is from 11:55 AM to 1:00PM each full school day. If you are able to give your time, please call the school office. Lunch monitors must be in compliance with the Archdiocesan Safe Environment requirements, and the documentations must be on file.

Healthy Hands/Healthy Heart

Fall is here and with that comes the cold and flu! **If your child is sick, please keep him or her home.** Please remind your child to always wash his or her hands. Hand washing and the flu shot are the best ways to avoid the cold and flu. Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest and has a healthy diet to keep their immune systems strong and help avoid these illnesses.

Yearbook

Get your pictures in the yearbook! The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you have great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.schoolannualonline.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 409683610
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! The last day to submit photos is 04/04/2018.

Thank you, and enjoy the rest of the school year!

Sincerely,

Yearbook Adviser and the 2018 Yearbook Staff.

The Yearbook Staff will review all photos and determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

After-School Clubs

We are in the process of scheduling after-school clubs. We have various clubs to be offered including art class, book club, legos, etc. If you are interested in organizing a club, please contact Mrs. Riley. Specific information for each club will be sent home soon!

Attendance

School Hours are from 8:15am to 3:00PM. Please call the school office and leave your child's name and room number on the attendance line if your child is going to be absent for the day. If the absence is not reported to the office by 9am, a phone call will be made to confirm an absence.

Late Arrivals

After 8:15 am, your child is considered late. Parent and child must report to the school office and sign a late arrival form. The child will then receive a late slip to give to his/her homeroom teacher. Please make every effort to get your child to school on time. This teaches our students respect and courtesy along with an understanding of the importance of being on time. When a child is late, it disrupts the morning routines of the classroom and often the child becomes overwhelmed

Early Dismissal

If your child must leave school before the end of the school day, an early dismissal form must be completed and sent to the homeroom teacher in the morning. Parents are to come to the school office to pick up their child for dismissal.

Monthly Prayer List

Monthly prayer lists will be posted on our website and remembered each day by our students during community prayer. Please let Mrs. Riley know of any special intentions that you may have.

Box Tops

Please remember that OLGC School participates in the Box Tops for Education Program. Look for the Box Tops logo on various products. Clip off the Box Top and save them for our school. Each Box Top is worth .10 that begins to add up rather quickly. The school has the potential to raise \$5000.00.

Facebook

Check out OLGC School's **Facebook** page!! It is updated daily with photos and stories of the great things happening at Our Lady of Good Counsel School!

"Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School, under the guidance of Mary, seeks to empower students to commit to Christian service, dedicate their lives to Gospel values, and lead with academic excellence."