

TO: Parents/Guardian of OLQP Student
FROM: Eve Remiszewski/Principal
DATE: September 1, 2010
RE: Drop-Off Procedure/Auction/PSA Meeting/Open Gym/Letters to the Military/Items of Interest

A reminder of the drop-off procedure in the mornings!: IF YOU ARE GOING TO COME INTO THE BUILDING YOU HAVE TO PARK FROM THE **MIDDLE** OF THE PARKING LOT OVER TOWARDS BUTCHER STREET (THE FENCE) OR YOU CAN PARK BY THE GYM DOORS. PLEASE LEAVE FROM THE BUILDING TO APPROXIMATELY THE MIDDLE OF THE PARKING LOT OPEN! The safest way to drop off children is to PULL ONTO THE PARKING LOT FROM BUTCHER STREET, **form ONE line (not two), pull up to the steps, drop your child off, and THEN exit onto Prairie.** By just forming ONE line, there minimizes the danger of a child getting hit by a car as he/she makes his/her way to the building. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If everyone is patient enough to wait in one line for drop off, our students will remain safe as they enter the building!!!!

OLQP School Auction is on Friday, November 12. This is our school's biggest fundraiser!! EVERY FAMILY MUST PARTICIPATE IN SOME WAY TO MAKE THIS AUCTION A SUCCESS! In addition to helping in so many different ways,(just call Tammie Harshbarger at 377-2507 to find out how you can help) every family should donate at least one basket or item! You are welcome and encouraged to go together with another family to make a basket, an item, or to host a party of some kind- parties always bring high bids! All donations need to be turned in no later than November 1st, the sooner the better! There will be a meeting to discuss the auction after the PSA meeting which is next Wednesday, September 8th. Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday, September 8th. Tickets for the auction are \$20.00 per person, which is the deal of the century!!! After November 5th, then they will be \$30.00 per person! Call Tammie, 377-2507, for ideas on baskets or questions.

The first PSA meeting of the year is next Wednesday, September 8th, beginning at 7:00 PM, in the Enrichment Room. Following a brief welcome back reception, parents will have the opportunity to come into the school for a short demonstration of our new Smartboards! After this, the regular meeting will begin at which time teachers will be introduced and many important items will be discussed. These meetings are not long and are held only 3-4 times yearly! Because every parent is a member of the PSA, and the PSA is so vital to the success of our school, it is extremely important that you make every effort to attend!

*NOTE: If you have a fundraiser idea or would like to be put on the agenda for any PSA meeting, please call or email Tammy Sasek (377-7041; TTCS2001@Charter.net) a minimum of two days prior to the meeting so you can be put on the agenda. By doing this, meetings can be run in an orderly fashion and end in a timely manner; thus, making everyone happy! See you at the PSA meeting next Wednesday!

*PARENTS: A PSA newsletter was sent home last week asking for volunteers for classroom representatives. Please consider doing this. This doesn't mean you have to chair anything! It simply means from time to time you may be called upon to contact other parents for various reasons. Please call Tammy Sasek to volunteer for this important position!

The students at OLQP will once again write letters to family members in the armed services. If you have a loved one in the service and would like the children to write to them, please send his/her name and address to the school office c/o Mrs. Godfrey. The first batch of letters and cards will be mailed at the end of September. Also, if your family member is transferred, address changes, or is discharged, please notify the school office with an update.

Parishioner, Amy Frisch, will hold a Protecting God's Children workshop next Tuesday, September 7th, at 6:30, in the Church Basement. Again, this is a one time workshop that all people who want to be involved with the students IN ANY CAPACITY throughout the school year must attend. This includes field trips, coaching, classroom parties, etc... So, this is a convenient way for you to take care of this obligation!

Starting tomorrow, Thursday, September 2nd, there will be open gym from 7:00-8:30 for 4-8th boys. This will take place every Thursday until further notice. Thank you to Chris Johnes for providing this opportunity to our 4-8th grade boys! Parents: As usual, do not drop your child off unless you know for a fact that Chris or an adult supervisor is here! Also, it is vital that you pick your child up on time from these open gyms and practices!

A reminder that there will be no school on Friday, September 24th. The teachers will be involved in a CPR inservice on that day.

ATTENTION SOFTBALL PARTICIPANTS: All parents of softball participants were given a sport's handbook. The last page was a sign off sheet stating you had read and agreed to abide by our sports' policies. Students may not play in future games unless this is turned in. Please take care of this promptly!

The Rummage Sale is Saturday, September 25th, with sorting and a presale on Friday, September 24th. If you can help in any way, please call Carrie Albarado! Items for the rummage sale may be brought to the stage beginning this weekend, Labor Day. If anyone wants to be in charge of a bake sale during the rummage sale, please call Carrie also!

Don't forget about saving and sending in those Box Tops! This is free money for OLQP! The first batch of box tops must be sent in by the middle of October! Thank you, Carrie Albarado, for being in charge of this project!

The students in grades 3,5,7,8 will be taking the Terra Nova Standardized Tests during the week of September 20th. Please avoid all appointments during this week and make sure your child is rested, fed, and present to take these tests! We want our students to have every advantage possible as they take these tests!!!

If you haven't turned in your child's permission or declination for the Personal Safety Lessons, you must do so by this Friday, September 3rd, if you want him/her to be able to learn about this important topic. If we do not have your slip turned in giving your child permission, he/she will not be able to be present during the lesson. We must receive a form from every parent!

The students will have their school pictures taken on September 15th. You will receive more information and your order envelope next week.

Please send your child to school in the mornings with his/her shirt tucked in. This helps tremendously as we attempt to make sure everyone is following uniform policy. It also saves us a lot of time!

We will not be in school this Monday, September 6th, due to Labor Day!

For 7th and 8th graders who are interested in joining the Drill Team: There will be a short meeting next Wednesday, September 8th, right after school in the Enrichment Room. This meeting will last 30 minutes. Thank you, once again, to Tammy Sasek for her willingness to lead our Drill Team!

ALL TEACHERS, SCHOOL STAFF, AND SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS (ANYONE WHO VOLUNTEERS AT THE SCHOOL MORE THAN 2 HOURS A MONTH): Submit your favorite recipe to the Taste of Home Recipe Contest and you and OLQP could win a huge cash prize! The grand prize is \$20,000.00 for the school and \$20,000.00 for the winning recipe! The second prize is \$10,000.00 for the school and the winning recipe, and the 3rd prize is \$5000.00 for school and recipe. To enter and to find out more information, please visit, www.teacherscontest.booksarefun.com.

The Arms of Love will sponsor their annual fundraising Lifewalk. There are two times this will take place, 1) Saturday, September 25, Jerseyville Snyders Sports Complex, beginning at 9:00 AM. 2) Saturday, October 16th, Alton Public School Stadium, at 9:00 AM. Walk one mile to help save lives! You collect the sponsors and The Arms of Love will collect the money. For a sponsor form or more information, please come to the school office, or call, and we will give you the necessary forms. You can also visit www.armsofloveministries.com to find out more!

Reminder that tonight is Papa Johns night! Order from Papa Johns anytime from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and mention our school and we will get 20% of the money back. Just call 258-7272 to order your pizza!

Youth News: Annual Mum Sale, September 25-26, after all Masses. \$10.00 each.
Junior High Dance at the KC Hall, grades 6-8, September 24, 7:00-10:00, cost is \$5.00. Always seeking chaperones, please call Amy Frisch at 377-9373

Playground duty for the upcoming week:

Thursday, September 2 nd	-	Tammy Sasek
Friday, 3 rd	-	Mary Terry
Tuesday, 7 th	-	Mary Kerkemeyer
Wednesday, 8 th	-	Mary Kerkemeyer

PARENTS: PLEASE COME IN OR CALL THE OFFICE TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR TWO DAYS OF PLAYGROUND DUTY. IF YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T, PLEASE SEND IN \$8.00 TOTAL TO COVER THE COST OF A SUB TO TAKE YOUR PLACE; HOWEVER, WE NEED THE HELP MORE THAN THE MONEY IN THIS SITUATION! PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO SIGN UP FOR THE COLD WEATHER MONTHS, THOSE ARE THE MONTHS WE REALLY STRUGGLE TO FILL! MANY TIMES WE ARE INSIDE, BUT CERTAINLY NOT ALWAYS! PLEASE HELP US WITH THIS AND DON'T MAKE US CALL YOU OR SEND YOU NOTES REMINDING YOU TO TAKE CARE OF THIS!!! THANKS TO ALL OF OUR PARENTS WHO ARE SO WILLING TO HELP US WHEN NEEDED!

