

Our Lady Queen of Peace School
Parent Letter
September 13, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 18-22- MAP Testing
September 15- Mid Terms
 Golf Match- Spencer T
September 18- School Board Meeting
September 19- Mum pickup
September 21- Chess Club
September 22- Noon Dismissal
September 29- PSA Family Fun Night
October 3- PSA Meeting
October 4- Mission Mass
October 6- Noon dismissal
October 9- No School
October 10- Butterbraid sale begins

OLQP DINNER AUCTION

Thank you to everyone who came to the auction meeting last night. Save the date! The date voted on last evening was to schedule the auction dinner for Saturday, 4/13/24. It is a bit later in the year than normal, but Lent starts earlier this year and the school will be hosting fish fries every Friday. The theme this year will be "Game Show." More details will be available after the next meeting which is on October 23 at 6:00 in the Art Room.

MISSION MASS

The 2nd graders will be attending the annual Mission Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on Wednesday, October 4th. Permission slips are coming home this week.

MAP TESTING

Students in grades 3rd-7th will be taking the Fall NWEA Map test (used for measuring achievement in Math, Reading, and Language skills) next week September 18-22.

Music Trivia

Save the date! OLQP's annual Music Trivia Night is Saturday, 11/18. More info coming home within the week. Contact Katie Barnard (618-520-8228) if you would like to help work and earn service hours before trivia starts and in between rounds. Each class is in charge of donating a basket to the basket raffle. Your PSA Class Representative will have more details about what is needed for the basket soon.

I Dood It

Thank you to all who helped OLQP Parish run the "I dood It" booth at the Bethalto Homecoming. Our parish was able to make a profit of \$7,948.00.

MUMS

Thank you to everyone who made our Mum Fundraiser a success. We sold 1,082 mums with about \$3,650 profit. **Delivery date is set for Tuesday, 9/19 at dismissal time.**

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Invites for the first Family Fun Night went home last week. It will be a fall "apple" themed night. We will have a caramel apple nacho bar, games, and a craft for the kids to enjoy. Rsvp (email cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org) with the number of kids and parents attending so we can plan accordingly. The fun night will be held in the pavilion on Friday, 9/29 from 6:00-7:30 pm. It will be moved inside to the gym if the weather does not cooperate.

PARADE

We are looking for walkers for the Bethalto Homecoming Parade on Friday, 9/22 and the Wood River Halloween Parade on Saturday, 10/28. All students are invited to walk; however, they MUST have a parent walk with them and have the permission slip required by the Diocese of Springfield filled out. (No one will be allowed to ride on the truck.) If you are interested in walking in either parade, please contact the school office at cwoodiel@olqpbethalto.org and we will send the required permission slips home with your child.

- For the parade on Friday, 9/22 we are meeting at Civic Memorial High School at 2:30 and the parade begins at 3:00.
- The time frame for the Wood River Halloween parade will be on Saturday 10/28 from approximately 9:30-12:00. More information will be given at a later date.

We are also still looking for candy donations for these two parades.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Letter from the Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus would like to extend an invitation to any Catholic Gentlemen 18 years and older to join the Bethalto Council here at Our Lady Queen of Peace. The Knights is a great organization that does a lot to help the parish, school, and community. A small list of things the Knights help with include cooking food for the back to school bash, frying the fish for the Lenten fish fries, cooking space camp and other lunches for the school, the Tootsie Roll drive for Intellectual Disabilities, family rosary nights, an annual chili cook off, and providing scholarships for OLQP graduates that choose to attend Catholic High School just to name a few. To any dad, grandpa, uncle, or brother interested in becoming a Knight or just has questions about the Knights, please contact Luke Kistner, (618)558-2689. As always, we greatly appreciate the continued prayers and support from both the parish and the school.

Thank you,

Luke Kistner, Grand Knight

CHESS

Chess will start up again next week on Thursday, 9/21. Meet in Mrs. Knight's /Dr. Woodiel's classroom. Chess club meets from 6pm-7pm weekly. After this date, chess club will be moved to Wednesday nights. Students in grades K-8th are welcome to attend each week. We are hoping to get some team matches scheduled this school year.

HOT LUNCH

If your child would like to order Hot Lunch for next week, (9/18-9/22) it is due no later than tomorrow, Thursday 9/14 by 9 AM.

October lunch menu is attached.

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do and he will show you which path to take." **Proverbs 3:5-6***