

Newsletter #13 November 6, 2024

Important Dates:

11/7 Kindergarten/Preschool Preview Night
11/13End of 1st Trimester
11/14Trimester 2 Begins; Skyline Day
11/20-227th grade Camp Joy
11/22Trimester 1 Awards Assembly
11/25-26No School, Parent/Teacher Conferences
11/27-29No School, Thanksgiving Break
12/103&Striking Vikings Christmas Concert
12/11Early Dismissal 11:30, In-Service
12/23-31No School, Christmas Break
1/1-3No School, Christmas Break
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1/6School Resumes

K-8 Absent/Tardy 513-347-2231
Preschool Absent 513-347-4450
Early Dismissal Note to Teacher

Aftercare 513-371-0371

AUG'S BLOG

Visitation Families,

The Word and Worship column was on vacation this past week. It will continue next week.

November is a time of gratitude. We are all so very blessed in our lives with food, shelter and medical care. A 2022 statistic states that 28% of the world suffers from food insecurity. For most of us we can't even imagine not having multiple choices when we open our pantries. How many of you have heard "There's nothing to eat in this house" after you just went to the grocery store a few days prior? Please send any extra Halloween candy into school tomorrow for those in need. In addition, our 8th grade is going to be collecting nonperishables later

this month. Please consider buying an extra jar of peanut butter, canned meat, or another form of protein and other nonperishable items. Pray for those who are underprivileged as you pray the blessing before prayers each night.

This week and next students in grades 2, 4, and 6 will take Cogats (Cognitive Ability Tests). These tests reflect their natural ability, what God has given them. The results of these tests are good for two years, so we do not take them in every grade.

8th Grade Parents- Students in 8th grade take the High School Placement Tests on Nov. 23rd. Any 8th grader going to a Catholic High School must register at any Catholic school to take the test. Check out the high schools' admission pages for more information. The results can be sent to other high schools. The 8th grade breakfast will be on Friday, May 23rd and graduation is on Tuesday, May 27th.

7th Grade Parents Please make sure you are reviewing the packing list for Camp. Joy. There is a Confirmation Sponsor Meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 19th with Camp Joy departure on Nov. 20th.

SafeParish Quarterly Reading is due Nov. 15th.

Please see the attached flier on Operation Shoebox on Nov. 10th. This is a great service project that the entire family can participate in together. Christmas gifts are packed in shoeboxes to underprivileged children around the world.

Thanks to all of our Veterans who have served our nation! Veteran's Day is Monday, Nov. 11th.

Blessings,

COOK'S CURRICULUM CORNER

Our students have been exploring the voting and election process this week, and to make it engaging, many students participated in mock trials. They had opportunities to vote on their favorite cookies, animals, and snacks. Our first grader students enjoyed a cookie taste test to help them decide which cookie to vote for in their election. To celebrate their student participation, each student received an "I Voted" sticker, allowing them to proudly show off their involvement in this important civic process!





Create a free child account on <u>www.xtramath.com</u> for your child to practice their accuracy and speed with basic math facts. There is an app available for most devices as well.

There is **no** peer tutoring Thursday, November 7th.

Leah Cook Assistant Principal

SPIRITWEASR SHOP

The Spiritwear Shop will be open tomorrow, Thursday Nov. 7th, from 4:00-7:00pm. We have more VISI snow hats in, and much more!

SKYLINE CHILI DAY

Skyline Chili is celebrating 75 years and so are we!! PTO is treating every student in grades K-8 (and full day preschool students) to **TWO Coneys/Hot Dogs** for lunch on **THURSDAY NOV 14th.** This is a **NO TRAY LUNCH DAY.** Your child will need to pack a drink and any additional snacks they may want. There will be no drinks or snacks sold on this day. Please place your child's Skyline order below by November 11, 2024. https://bit.ly/75SkylineLunch.

BUDDY CARDS

LaRosa's has changed their Buddy Card Program. Cards are now \$20 each, but are still good for 14 offers- that's a \$150 VALUE! Buy any large pizza, get a large cheese pizza FREE! Sale starts 11/13 and all money is due by Monday 12/2. Thanksgiving is a great time to ask your family and friends! Cards will be back before Christmas for delivery. Forms will go home with students next week.

- Sell ONE card per student, or donate \$5 by December 4th, and you will earn an out of uniform pass for Thursday, December 5th.
- Sell 10 cards per student and you will ALSO earn an out of uniform pass for the first week in January.
- Sell 20 or more and you will ALSO win a \$50 Amazon gift card.
- Top seller will win a Pizza Party for their classroom on a specific day.
- If you have any questions, please contact Erin Becker ebecker@olvisitation.org.

ART SHOW

Elder High School hosted their second Grade School Art Show this year inviting local schools from the Archdiocese to participate. The following students had artwork submitted: Landon K., Henry E., Liam G., Nate N., Callahan B., Drew N., Landon T., Camden W., Jake H., Chase F. and Sebastian Z. Several scholarships were awarded during the 2pm Ceremony. Congratulations to our Visitation scholarship recipients: Chase F., Jake H. and Sebastian Z.!!!

CANDY COLLECTION

We will be collecting extra HALLOWEEN CANDY and donating it to Our Daily Bread Food Pantry. There will be boxes outside the main office door until Friday 11/8 for your donations.

8th GRADE TRIP

8th Grade Parents: Please click the link for information about the 8th Grade Washington DC Trip. This is not a school sponsored event. https://bit.ly/Visi8thGrDC2024.

PTO and SPIRITWEAR

Spiritwear: Thank you for visiting our new site https://www.visispiritwearshop.com/ New items are added weekly! Our spirit wear is the only spirit wear that gives back to our students and our school, so thank you for your support! Questions contact Nikki Niemann 513-379-8478.

REDIKER: All Rediker issues, primary email changes or primary household phone number changes should be emailed to rediker@olvisitation.org.

STRIKING VIKINGS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Save the date! Our 3rd Grade & Striking Vikings Christmas Concert is Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 pm.

VISITATION ATHLETIC CLUB (VAC) - www.vacsports.com

For all sign-ups, please visit www.vacsports.com and login to register your child.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL OUR SOCCER TEAMS PLAYING IN THE STATE TOURNAMENT THIS WEEKEND!

WRESTLING - SIGN-UPS CLOSE THIS FRIDAY, NOV. 8

Last chance to get your son or daughter involved in the Visi wrestling program. This is open to grades 1st through 8th. Practices will begin the week of November 18th at Elder High School. Please visit the Wrestling Homepage for complete details on the season or go to vacsports.com to register. For questions, please contact Commissioner Adam May at visitationwrestling@gmail.com

GIRLS BASKETBALL - TRYOUTS & 2ND GRADE SIGN-UPS

5TH – 8TH GRADE TRYOUTS

SUNDAY, NOV. 10 (in the MPR)

5:00 – 6:00pm (5th & 6th grade) 6:00 – 7:00pm (7th & 8th grade)

Tryouts for 5th through 8th grade are ONLY if your daughter wants to be considered for an A or B1 team. If your daughter does not tryout, she will be placed on a non-tryout team. Girls must attend 1 of the 2 tryout nights (Nov. 5 or Nov. 10) to be considered for an A or B1 team. Girls are welcome to come both nights, but only 1 night is required.

2nd Gr. ST. JUDE GIRLS BASKETBALL LEAGUE – SIGN UPS FROM NOV. 12 TO DEC. 1

This is a great introductory league for 2nd grade girls to learn the game of basketball. Games are played on Sundays starting in February for a total of six weeks at St. Jude. The session lasts 1 hour consisting of 30minutes of practice and instruction followed by a 30-minute game. League fees are \$70 which includes a T-shirt and a ball. Sign-ups will be available on vacsports.com from Nov. 12 to Dec. 1

For questions on tryouts or the 2nd grade league, please contact Girls Basketball Commissioner David Kneflin at davidkneflin81@gmail.com.

Facebook (Our Lady of Visitation Athletic Club) - Instagram (visiathletics) - X (Twitter) (VACSports)

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

<u>Elder High School:</u> Please visit Elder's website for more information. Details at https://www.elderhs.org/admissions. For more information, contact Brian Hiles at https://www.elderhs.org/admissions. For more information, contact Brian Hiles at https://www.elderhs.org/admissions.

<u>LaSalle High School</u>: Please visit LaSalle's website for more information. For more information, contact Jake Pucci at <u>admissions@lasalleehs.net.</u>

<u>Mercy McAuley High School</u>: Please visit Mercy McAuley's website for more information. Register at <u>www.mercymcauley.og/shadow</u>.

Moeller High School: Please visit Moeller's website for more information, www.moeller.org.

<u>Mount Notre Dame</u>: Please visit MND's website for more information. Learn details about each event <u>Here</u>.

<u>Purcell Marion High School</u>: Please visit Purcell Marion's website for more information. Visit https://www.purcellmarian.org/ibelong to learn more.

<u>Saint Ursula Academy</u>: Please visit St. Ursula's website for more information. Information can be found at www.saintursula.org/visit.aspx.

<u>Seton High School</u>: Please visit Seton's website for more information. Seton's Open House - Thursday, November 21. Register here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D49ADAA2AAAF5C16-52033548-seton#/.

<u>St. Xavier High School</u>: Please visit St. Xavier's website for more information. Information can be found at https://www.stxavier.org/admissions/visit.

<u>Ursuline Academy</u>: Please visit Ursuline's website for information about their upcoming events. <u>https://www.ursulineacademy.org/admissions.</u>

OTHER NEWS:

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

Our Lady of the Visitation, Troop #1313. To register with Troop #1313 contact Mollie Harloff – harloffwellness@gmail.com 513-404-6436.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoebox Packing Party/Family Service Project – Sunday, Nov. 10^{th} from 4:00-5:30 pm at St. Joseph Church. Please see attached flyer.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Data	Davi	Playground		Lunchroom	Cafeteria
Date	Day	Upper lot	Lower lot	(wiping tables)	(food service)
11/11	Mon	Shannon Clifton		Amy Stroube	Bonnie Pope Wei Gibler Kate Raterman
11/12	Tue	Amanda Bruner	Christina Yockey Christie Klosterman	Andrea Griffith	Sue Stautberg Bob Johnson
11/13	Wed	Jessica Neurohr	S		Brandon Rainer Kristina Kelley
11/14	Thu	Deb Tisch	Dan Kaiser Mary Patten Sharp	Jillian Edwards Angela Born	Skyline Chili Day
11/15	Fri	Kirsten Law Laura Miller	Tiffany Kersting		Emily Shears Chrissy Pierson

LUNCH MENU FOR November 11-15

Please note, due to manufacturer shortages, menu may change.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday					
-French Toast Sticks (4) -Sausage Patty (2) -syrup -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	-Chicken Nuggets (5) -Dinner Roll -Mac-n-Cheese -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	- La Rosa's Pizza (1 Slice) Cheese or Pepperoni -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk	Skyline Cheese Coney	-Soft Taco -Taco Meat -Shredded Cheese -Shredded Lettuce -Fruit -Vegetable -Milk					
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Cash can be used for milk, snacks and ice cream. Assorted bagged snacks daily for \$.75. Ice cream for \$1.50. Milk and water for \$.50, may be purchased daily with cash or online.

To purchase the regular lunch or hot a la carte items, you must set up an account and order through https://olvlunch.ahotlunch.com/login. Lunches must be ordered by 8:00 a.m. daily. Regular lunch is \$4.00. Hot a la carte is \$2.00.

If your student has an appointment and will not be here for lunch, please do not order lunch for that day. If your student is sick or leaves early due to emergency or sickness, your account will be credited for that day's missed lunch. Please note, you can go into your account and cancel any lunch up until 8:00am daily of the day ordered.

LUNCHROOM VOLUNTEERS

Help is needed in the lunchroom, wiping tables, helping students, etc. If interested in helping, see the following link: • Lunchroom Helper Sign Up

PLAYGROUND VOLUNTEERS

We could use your help. Volunteers are needed for playground, both upper and lower lots. If interested in helping, see the following link: • Playground Helper Sign Up

GENERAL REMINDERS

• If your child will be absent from school or tardy, a phone call is required by 8:30 a.m. The direct phone numbers to report a student absent or tardy are:

K-8: 513-347-2231 Preschool: 513-347-4450

- If your child needs to leave school early, a note written by a parent must be given to the student's homeroom teacher at the start of that same day.
- For school closings and delays due to inclement weather, Our Lady of the Visitation will follow Three Rivers Local School District.



Operation Christmas
Child Shoebox
Packing Party!

Join us for a Divine Mercy Family Service Project on **Sunday, November 10** 4:00-5:30 at St. Joseph

Come join us for a family event to remember! Help spread the joy of Christmas to underprivileged children around the world. Pack a shoebox and bring hope and joy to a child who may never have experienced the excitement and love of Christmas.

HOW IT WORKS:

- Pick a gender and an age range (2-4, 5-9 or 10-14). Wrap a shoebox so that the top is able to be opened then label with age and gender.
- Bring items (see list of ideas). You can bring misc things or you could buy multiples; for example 10 packs of crayons or 10 hairbrushes. Bring them and then pack shoeboxes with the group it's like a potluck dinner but filling a box instead of a plate of food.
- Decide how many boxes your family would like to pack. A donation of \$10/ box for shipping is suggested. Cash or check payable to Our Lady of the Visitation Parish.
- If you are unable to attend you may drop off packed shoeboxes (w/\$10 shipping) in the back of any church after Masses November 9 & 10.
- We will gladly accept monetary donations and/or items for the shoeboxes.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Colleen Harmeyer at 513-227-4215 colharmeyer@gmail.com

TOYS: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, yo-yos, jump ropes, Slinky[®], etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: toothbrush, bar soap, comb, washcloth, etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

OTHER: T-shirts, socks, ball caps, hair clips, sunglasses, toy jewelry-earrings, necklaces, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries), reusable grocery bags & sling bags to use as bookbag.

DO NOT INCLUDE: Food, candy, toothpaste, used items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items.

A PERSONAL NOTE: In a separate envelope, you may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

More Ideas: www.samaritanspurse.org/ operation-chrismas-child/ pack-a-shoe-box



Calling all kids for a night of FUN!

Parents, take the night off and grab dinner-we've got the kids covered!

Kids must be dropped off no later than 6:15 pm.

Ages 5-II \$25/Per Child Pizza & Snacks Provided
Fitness Obstacle Courses
Inflatable Targets
Pickleball Cames
Temis Cames

Call to register today!

513-451-4233