

NEWS AND NOTES

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Important Dates

January 11-15 - Winter Clothing Drive

January 15 - 8th Grade Graduation
Pictures
Christmas Program DVD orders due

January 18 - **NO SCHOOL**
Martin Luther King Day

January 19 - 2nd Trimester Progress reports go home

January 22 - FSA lunch
6th Grade Confirmation retreat *at OLC*

January 25 - **Catholic Schools Week Begins**
2nd Grade field trip to the Swedish American Museum

January 29 - Snow Ball Raffle Tickets due

January 30 - Snow Ball Dinner Dance



January's Virtue of the Month:

Joshua 1:9 "Be strong and of good courage; be not frightened, neither be dismayed; for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go."



2016 - 2017 Registration

Registration for the 2016-2017 school year will begin during the evening of our Open House on February 4th. Come take advantage for the early \$150 Registration fee and ensure your child's spot for next year. **Early Registration fee is good for this night only!** Thank you for being part of our school community. We are honored that you chose OLC to be your academic and spiritual partner in the education your child(ren)!

Saints and Scholars Open House

Our Open House will take place on February 4th. Come visit each of our classrooms as our students and teachers demonstrate how they are saints and scholars through various curriculum activities from 6:00 - 7:00 PM. Students are asked to be in their classroom at 5:30 PM while parents are invited to go to Halpin Hall for early registration. Your child will stay in their classroom while you have the opportunity to visit the entire school and see our classrooms. We look forward to seeing you there!

Open House Invitations

We appreciate your efforts to inform family, friends and neighbors about the great things going on at OLC. The best recommendation anyone can get is from someone like you! If you know of someone who is interested in our school, please invite them to our Open House. An e-mail invitation that you can share will be going out soon

Winter Clothing Drive

Our Student Council will be organizing a winter clothing drive this week. Students are encouraged to donate new hats and/or gloves to be sent to the parish food pantry for distribution. Please bring items in no later than January 15, 2016



NO SCHOOL MONDAY!

Eight Grade Picture Day

Picture day for the class of 2016 will take place on Friday, January 15, 2016. Students should wear their Sunday best. Boys are required to wear a tie on this day and girls should dress modestly.

Church Envelopes

Church attendance is monitored by the use of your church envelopes. If you do not have envelopes and attend Our Lady of Charity Parish, please contact the rectory at 708-863-1207. If you belong to another Catholic Church, please do not forget your letter is PAST DUE to not be charged the \$350 non-parishioner fee.

Winter recess

Students will have outdoor recess on days which the wind chill is greater than 10 degrees. Please make sure your child comes dressed appropriately for the weather. Please make sure all items are labelled with your child's name.

Snow Ball 2016

Our annual Snow Ball dinner dance will take place on January 30, 2016 at the Crystal Sky Banquets in McCook, IL. Tickets are now on sale for \$60 each. A table of of ten can be purchased at a discount for \$550.00 Ticket prices include admission to the event, dinner, dancing, and an open bar. Get your tickets now! Tickets are available in the school office.

Snow Ball Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets for the Snow Ball went home before Thanksgiving break. Each family is required to sell two \$50 raffle ticket booklets. This is a mandatory fundraising requirement. The Snow Ball is our school's largest fundraiser and your support is crucial to its success. Please be sure to return your raffle tickets and money to the school office no later than Friday, January 29, 2016.

Flex Fundraising

There is still time to contribute to the silent auction and have it count toward your flex fundraising requirement.

- Donate an item to the silent auction (including wine and liquor). Fair market value will be credited toward your flex fundraising.
- Bring in an advertisement from your employer or a local business. Forms went home in November. Additional forms are available in the school office.
- Attend the Snow Ball. \$20 for each \$60 ticket purchased will be credited toward your flex fundraising.
- Sell additional raffle tickets. Selling just two additional booklets will complete your \$100 requirement. Booklets are available in the school office.