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## November 2011 Newsletter

### Dates to Remember:

October 31<sup>st</sup>

9:00 Halloween Parade  
Social Hall  
Early Release at 12:00

November 1<sup>st</sup>

9:00 All Saints Day Mass

November 2<sup>nd</sup>

No Wednesday School Mass

November 4<sup>th</sup>

End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

November 17<sup>th</sup>

3:30 – 8:00 pm  
Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving Break

December 9<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Church  
K-8 Music Program

December 14<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Library  
School Committee

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## From the Desk of Mr. Bell...

Greetings,

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter. Where is the time going? We had such nice weather to start the year, it seemed that summer might not ever end, what a dream that would be! But winter is starting to show its cold face. Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. Students are outside unless it is raining or below 0° F (regular temperature or wind-chill). Be sure to also check the lost and found as students shed a layer of clothing with our cold mornings and warmer afternoons. They just drop their coat/sweatshirt and forget about it. The lost and found is located just inside the school doors of the North Entrance Hall school doors.

Please have a safe night of trick-or-treating on Halloween and remember to keep the treats collected at home! ☺

### Monday, October 31, 2011 Early Release & Halloween

8:10 – arrive at school as normal

8:30 – change into costumes at school

9:00 – Costume Parade in Social Hall (Preschool – 8<sup>th</sup> grade)

*You are welcome to join us!*

After parade student will head back to for classroom activities.

**Students will change out of their costumes before lunch.**

11:00 – 12:00 Lunch:

12:00 Dismissal

### Costume Rules:

- Dress code as normal.
- No Weapons (plastic or not)
- No outrageous make-up (save it for later)
- Costumes must be able to be put on with minimal assistance.

### Tuesday, November 1, 2011 All Saints Day

9:00 am School Mass

*(there will be no Wednesday School Mass on  
Wednesday, November 2, 2011)*

## Preschool is going to a 12 month program!

In order to better serve our families, we have decided, starting summer 2012 that we will have a 12 month preschool program. This program will be open to not only preschool students/families, but also families with students from Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade.

More information will be coming soon!

### 5 Ways Parents Can Read With Children...

1. Encourage your child to spend time reading every day and do it yourself!
2. Read aloud to your child. Have your child read to you.
3. Give your child practice reading everyday items like a grocery list, a recipe, signs along the road.
4. Have newspapers (comics) and magazines that your child can read.
5. Visit a library or book store.

## *Red Ribbon Week* *November 7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>*

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November Core Value is Honesty

- Truthful in words and actions.
- Follows rules and laws.
- Does their own work to the best of their ability.
- Keeps a promise.



### BASE Training:

Mr. Bell will host a BASE Training (Safe and Sacred) on the morning of **Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am** in the Social Hall at Our Lady of the Lake. This training is for any one who is a volunteer in our school.

### Advent Calendar Quilt

A friend of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School created a beautiful Advent Calendar Quilt and Christmas Tree Quilt. The Advent Calendar comes with ornaments that are taken down and then put on the Christmas Tree.

Both can be seen in the North Entrance in a display case.

We will be selling tickets for \$0.25 each and drawing the winning name on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Tickets are available in the School or Parish Office.

### Spread the Word...

#### OLL is always open for enrollment!

It is never too late to register at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School. As the year progresses, we are always open to students and families who want to learn more about OLL. This can be done with a phone call, a tour, or by spending a day with us.

**Congratulations to Department of Catholic Formation Calendar winners Mekenzee (whose drawing is the month of January 2012) and Riley (whose drawing was an Honorable Mention)!**

