



## From the Principal: 9/8/23 Update

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Dear Families,

It was SO GOOD to welcome all of our students back to school this week! It was great to see the students and to see how much they have grown!!! We have missed them and we are so happy to be back at school again! We are so grateful for the air conditioning we have in school, especially during this first heat wave of the summer!!

Some updates for you:

The **lunch program** is going well! It is good to be back to “normal”. Students may continue to bring their own lunch each day. Please note: lunches and snacks should be NUT FREE as we have many children who have allergies. Lunch can also be ordered from the kitchen. If you are choosing to purchase lunch for your child, it must be pre-ordered and pre-paid. Please use the monthly lunch menu to place the order - each month’s menu can be found on the school website under “Quick Links.” Please [click here](#) for this month’s lunch calendar and payment page. Lunch orders will be individually wrapped for each child.

The **Parking and Drop and Go Policy** remains in effect and we ask that parents adhere to it for the continued safety of all of our children. Thank you to the many families who support and cooperate with this important safety policy. [Here is the link](#) to the policy that is posted on our website. Please remember that If you need to get out of your car for any reason, you must park elsewhere. (Please be respectful of our neighbors and please do not block driveways. This has become a bit of a problem, especially at drop off and dismissal times.) May I ask that you share this information with grandparents, nannies or any helpers who may be charged with bringing the children to school. Thank you for your continued cooperation and help!

We will continue to use **Pick Up Patrol** for parents to indicate a change in normal dismissal for their child, rather than handwritten notes and/or calls to school. You should have received a welcome email from PICK UP PATROL that contains a link for you to register or renew/update your registration. Please set up a “default” dismissal plan, ie. bus, ASP, walker, etc. (Please note, the option “walker” means dismissed to the school yard.)

Next week is a full week of school. All classes will have regular sessions. **The Before School Program and the After School Program** will open on Monday. (Students should not arrive before 7:15am for BSP; please ring the bell at the entrance at the top of the high steps...to the right of the front doors)

We will have a **Band Assembly** on Wednesday morning. Students will have the opportunity to preview instruments that are available for our Band Program. Students will bring home information next week.

On Thursday morning, we will have our first **school Mass**. It will be at 9:15 in the Church. Parents are invited to join us. The Mass will also be live streamed. I will send the link next week.

We will host **Meet the Teacher Night for Grades 1-6** on Thursday, September 14, 2023. We will begin by gathering in the cafeteria at 7:00pm for opening Prayer and introduction of teachers. Parents will then go to classrooms for grade level orientations. There will be two sessions: one from 7:30-8:00 and the next from 8:00-8:30. Parents need to attend one session only. Teachers will provide an outline of the expectations and plan for this school year.

Mark your calendars:

Sunday, September 17: Welcome back to school Mass at 10:30 am , reception to follow. All of our families [are invited](#) to attend. So that we may plan appropriately, we ask that you pre-register for the reception. Please [click here](#) for the form.

Tuesday, September 26: HSA (Parent Association) Meeting. Details next week.

**Classic Fundraiser and Dinner:** The 27th Annual OLV School Golf Outing & Dinner is taking place this year at the Douglaston Manor & Golf Course on Friday, September 29th. Please [click here](#) for an important update and invitation. This event is our biggest fundraiser. Please know that any level of participation you offer - either by golfing, going to the dinner and/or recruiting relatives and friends to participate - goes toward your family's \$300 fundraising obligation. (Please [click here](#) for an overview of the Fundraising and Volunteer Programs.)

This event benefits ALL families, therefore we are hoping you can participate in some way. Please visit our 2023 Golf Outing page by [clicking here](#), where you can get more information about the day from the very busy Golf Committee, and you can [register online](#) to golf and/or sponsor the event. Everyone is invited to join us for this event (and please invite friends and family!)

**The 2023 Candy Sale:** The sale will run from 9/13 through 9/27. Candy will be distributed to all students in K-8 on Tuesday 9/13 unless a family "opts-out." [Click here](#) for additional details. Nursery and Pre-K students are also invited and encouraged to participate - please [click here](#) for information.

On Monday we will remember those who were affected by the events of 9/11. During our prayers on Monday morning, we will read the names of those from our parish who lost their lives on this tragic day 22 years ago. We will remember and pray for their souls and for those who were left behind.

Have a great, peaceful weekend.

**Peg Augello**  
Principal

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