



Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School

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Our Lady of the Angels Catholic School Monthly Happenings - December

Students, Parents, Staff, and Parish,

We're getting a new high school! *Start spreading the good news!* **Now announced to be built for September 2017! Hmmm...wonder what the name will be?**

Being on time is a life skill needed for success in any career you choose. One of the questions Grade 7 parents and teachers get asked each year as part of Alberta Education's accountability survey is this: **Percentage of teachers and parents who agree that students are taught attitudes and behaviors that will make them successful at work when they finish school.** How do you feel about being on time? What should happen to those that consistently are not on time, or have a bad habit of being late? Please let me know. The PSC and Student Advocacy group will be asked this same question – what is reasonable and how should we be held accountable when we are late?

Our final Parent School Council meeting before Christmas is on THURSDAY, December 4 at NOON. This is a bit of a change for our parent group but thought we would try it once to see how well attended the meeting can be - *Together in Learning and Faith!* Please consider attending and participating.

All families should now have functional Powerschool usernames and passwords for students and parents in Grade 7 & 8 to better monitor student progress. **If you haven't done so already, please log-on and complete the verification form. This is our main line of ensuring accurate communications with each student and family!**

Thanks to our coaches Mrs. Leeson, Mrs. Willis-Dengler and Mrs. Kucy for the time, effort and patience in coaching the boys and girls volleyball teams over the past 3 months. The Basketball teams are just starting and we'd like to express thanks to Miss Berry and Miss Coon for taking on coaching the girl's team and Mr. Rice for taking on the boy's team. First tourney is December 12-13 at St. Theresa.

In January we will be hosting student, parent and staff engagement opportunities involving our school improvement plan based on many data sources including government data, Tell Then For Me data, Q12 Gallup surveys, and our qualitative feedback from all stakeholders – let me know if you want to be part of this process.

Thanks to Mrs. Mandryk, her mom and daughter Sam for hosting the first Hot Soup Day last week – on the coldest day of the year it was greatly appreciated by the 85 or so folks in the building! If you want to help at the next Hot Soup Day please let us know – the date is December 12.

December

- 3 Early Out / Subway Hot Lunch (pre-ordered)
- 4 107.9 Reporter – Madison Homeniuk / Community Chaplain visits OLA from 8-11:00am
- 10 Gr. 6 & Gr. 6 Musical Theatre Christmas Concert
 - *afternoon performance at 1:00 & evening performance at 7:00pm
- 11 Gr. 5 and Grade 7 & 8 Musical Theatre Christmas Concert
 - *afternoon performance at 1:00 & evening performance at 7:00pm
- 12 Hot Soup Day / Community Chaplain visits OLA from 8-11:00am
- 12-13 Girl's / Boy's at the St. Theresa's Basketball Tourney
- 16 Sports Program all-day field trip
- 17 Junior Achievement Day at OLA – presentations for Grade 7 & 8 students
Panago Hot Lunch (pre-ordered)
- 18 107.9 Reporter – Danica Voshell / Advent Mass Celebration at the church 9:00am
Community Chaplain visits OLA from 8-11:00am

December 20 – January 4 Christmas Holiday Break

January

- 5 Students return to regular school days
- 7 Booster Juice Hot Lunch (pre-ordered)
- 9 Hot Soup Day
- 30 Hot Soup Day

February

- 17 Shrove Tuesday
- 18 Ash Wednesday
- 19-20 School Health & Wellness Days
- 27 Hot Soup Day