

Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School



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April 2011 Parent Newsletter

Friday	April 1	12PM Dismissal/Faculty Meeting
Friday	April 8	Candy Sale Ends
Saturday	April 16	Yard Sale in Schoolyard 10AM to 3PM
Wednesday	April 20	12PM Dismissal/EASTER Holiday Begins
Thursday	April 21	Holy Thursday/NO SCHOOL
Friday	April 22	Good Friday/NO SCHOOL
Sunday	April 24	EASTER Sunday
Monday	April 25	NO SCHOOL
Tuesday	April 26	NO SCHOOL
Wednesday	April 27	Classes Resume
Friday	April 29	Progress Reports Go Home

SECOND TRIMESTER REPORT CARDS

Congratulations to all the Second Trimester honor students for their hard work and effort. We encourage others to do their best for the Third Trimester and in their Final Examinations.

REGISTRATION POLICY

All students are evaluated on a yearly basis as to their behavioral and academic performance. Students new to the school are put on probation for the first year. Families who are not eligible for re-registration will be informed. The criteria for evaluation is based on:

- Parental Cooperation
- Academics
- Behavior
- Outstanding Fees

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

Parents who are interested in registration and have children four, five and six years of age not yet attending Our Lady of Lourdes should contact the school office immediately for an application. The registration is for **NEW STUDENTS ONLY**. Students already attending our school can be registered by filling out the Registration Form that was sent out in January and again in February, \$100.00 Registration Fee will now apply. When you refer a new family you will receive \$100.00 discount off your tuition in January 2012 if that student is still in good standing.

Pennsylvania State Law requires children entering:
Grade One (six years of age by September 1, 2011)
Kindergarten (five years of age by September 1, 2011)
Pre-Kindergarten (four years of age by September 1, 2011)

LATENESS

As the school year is coming to a close more students are arriving to school late. Late students disrupt the classroom when they arrive and miss valuable class time. Students who arrive to school after 8:10AM are considered late and will be issued a late slip from the office and a demerit from their teacher. Please refer to the parent-student handbook. Students who are late cannot receive perfect attendance and the lateness is put on their permanent record, and there is no perfect attendance for any student who leaves school before dismissal time.

CANDY SALE

Our school Candy Sale began Tuesday, March 15 and will end Friday, April 8. Students received their candy Tuesday, March 15. The price of the box of candy is \$60.00, \$2.00 per bar of candy, 30 bars per box. A dress down day will be awarded to all students that sell 1 box of candy and a DJ party will be given to students who sell 2 or more boxes of candy. Candy cannot be returned to the school. Thank you for your support on our final fundraiser of the year.

FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS

The Forty Hours Devotions is a special 40-hour period of continuous prayer made before The Holy Eucharist in solemn exposition. The Forty Hours Devotions will begin Sunday, May 1 and will conclude Tuesday, May 3 at closing vespers at 7:30PM. All students and parents are invited for the closing ceremony. Fr. James will have a surprise for all the students who make their effort to attend to pray.

PROGRESS REPORTS/FINAL TRIMESTER

Progress Reports for third and final trimester will be distributed on Friday, April 29. We wish to remind parents that the progress report reflects the work that the student has done so far in this trimester. Parents should monitor test folders, notes from teachers and homework to see if their child has improved or has fallen behind. Please be up to date with all your payments.

TAKE YOUR CHILD TO WORK DAY

The Archdiocesan schools do not recognize "Take Your Child To Work Day" as an excused absence not to their child's teacher on the day of their return to school. Students will be marked absent and will be held responsible for missed schoolwork.

SUMMER UNIFORM

All students will be permitted to wear the summer uniform starting Wednesday, April 27th. Parents will be notified if there is a change.

BOYS

Gr. 1-8: Blue Golf Shirt (gym shirt)
Blue pants w/black or brown belt

GIRLS

Gr. 5-8: White Golf Shirt (gym shirt)
Plaid Skirt & Vest (Mandatory)
Gr. 1-4: Short sleeve white blouse
Plaid jumper

KINDERGARTEN

Boys-Blue Golf shirt
Girls-White Golf Shirt
Sweat shorts

ASBESTOS PROGRAM

Our Lady of Lourdes has developed and maintains an Asbestos Inspection and Management Plan had required by the Asbestos Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA). Our school is up to code on these inspections.

TRACK AND BASEBALL PRACTICES

Track practices will be held on every Tuesday and Thursday after school and Baseball practices will be held on every Tuesday and Thursday at 3:30PM at

Papa's Playground. We would like to thank Mr. Mulholland, Mr. Brooker, and Mr. Liberis, along with the volunteers that help out with Baseball and Track for giving their time and dedication toward the students.

FLAG FOOTBALL

Flag football practices with Ms. Barcoski and Mr. Mulholland for grades 3-5 will be held on every other Monday starting Monday, March 27, 2011 and ending on Monday, May 16, 2011.

YARD SALE

Join Our Lady of Lourdes School Community on Saturday, April 16th from 10:00AM-3:00PM as we begin our "Spring Cleaning."

Reserve your place as we turn our school parking lot into a giant yard sale.

- ❖ Table space for as low as \$20.00
- ❖ Table space and a table for \$30.00

SUMMER SCHOOL

The Title I Program will provide a FREE summer school program for all the students who are Title I eligible from grades K-7. All students who currently receive Title I services in reading, math, and extended day tutoring are eligible.

Dates: Monday-Friday, June 27 to July 15, 2011

Time: 8:30AM to 12:30PM (Four hours a day)

FOSTER PARENTS

Can you make a place in your family for a foster child? Many children need love and support of a foster family. Catholic Social Services is seeking married or single adults to become foster parents for children of all ages, races and dominations. Homes are also needed for children with special medical or emotional needs and for siblings who wish to live together in the same home. Catholic Social Services provides professional training, support, financial reimbursement and Catholic school tuition to foster children.

REMINDERS

-All tuition and lab and material fees must be paid by April 20th. Late fee will apply after April 27th. No student will receive progress report until all fees are up to date.

-Easter Break begins Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at 12PM Dismissal.

-Classes Resume on Wednesday, April 27, 2011