

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School



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## May and June 2010 Parent Newsletter

Wednesday	May 5	May Crowning 8:30AM Mass/Candy Sale Ends
Friday	May 7	12PM Dismissal/Faculty Meeting
Wednesday	May 12	Ballroom Dancing
Thursday	May 13	SNOW MAKE-UP DAY-Solemnity of Ascension of the Lord
Friday	May 14	SNOW MAKE-UP DAY
Monday	May 31	Memorial Day-NO SCHOOL
Tuesday	June 8	Final Exams for Grade 8
Wednesday	June 9	Final Exams for Grade 1-8
Thursday	June 10	Final Exams for Grades 1-8
Friday	June 11	Final Exams for Grades 1-7 Kindergarten Graduation/Last Day of CARES
Monday	June 14	12PM Dismissal
Tuesday	June 15	NO SCHOOL-Teachers Professional Day
Wednesday	June 16	12PM Dismissal/8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation
Thursday	June 17	12PM Dismissal
Friday	June 18	Last Day of School 11:00AM Dismissal
Sunday	June 20	Our Lady of Lourdes 5K Raffle Drawing at 1:15PM

### 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 for an application. This registration is for NEW STUDENTS ONLY. Students already attending our school can be registered by filling out the Re-Registration Form that was enclosed in February's family envelope. If you have not yet Re-Registered your child/ren, please contact the school.

Pennsylvania State Law requires children entering:  
Grade One (six years of age by September 1, 2010)  
Kindergarten (five years of age by September 1, 2010)  
Pre-Kindergarten (four years of age by September 1, 2010)

## **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 morning announcements and 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.

## **CANDY SALE**

Our Candy Sale began on Thursday, April 15, 2010. All sales must be handed in by Wednesday, May 5, 2010. Families opting not to sell candy may donate \$25.00. A dress down day will be awarded to those who donate \$25.00 or more. Prices for selling the candy are: for selling one box of candy will receive a dress down, for selling two boxes of candy will receive a dress down and DJ party, for selling four or more boxes will receive a dress down, DJ party, and cash price.

## **FORTY HOURS DEVOTIONS**

We would like to thank the teachers, parents, and students for coming to Our Lady of Lourdes Forty Hours Devotions. Your presence and prayers are greatly appreciated. All the students who attended the closing ceremony for the Forty Hours Devotions on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 will have a DJ and Pizza Party. The date is yet to be determined. We will notify the students and parents.

## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES 5K RAFFLE**

We ask that each family sell one book of tickets per family. The drawing will be held on Sunday, June 20 at 1:15pm. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### **PROGRESS REPORT/FINAL TRIMESTER**

Progress Reports for the third and final trimester will be distributed on Friday, April 30. We wish to remind parents that the progress report reflects the work that the students have 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.

### **EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION PICTURES**

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation Pictures will be taken after the 8:30AM mass in the Mercy Room on Wednesday, May 5, 2010

### **CONNELLY AWARDS**

We would like to Congratulate Hollie McCullers for winning the Connelly Scholarship for four years of High School. She will accept her award on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 7PM at West Catholic High School.

### **LUNCH PROGRAM**

Friday, May 28, 2010 is the last day of the hot lunch program. Parents must provide lunch for the rest of the school year. Please pack their lunches. No delivery of lunches will be allowed.

### **SPRING TALENT SHOW**

Our Spring Talent Show will take place on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the school cafeteria. Admission will be \$2.00 per person.

### **PARENT EDUCATION NETWORK (PEN)**

Parents and Professionals Helping All Children Learn To Read On Thursday, May 6, 2010 from 10AM to 12PM at the School District of Philadelphia, Education Center, Conference Room 1075, 440 N. Broad Street, Phila., PA. Registration deadline is May 1, 2010. There will be a free lunch served.

### **TUITION/LAB & MATERIAL FEES**

All Tuition along with Lab & Material Fees must be paid in full or your child/ren can not return to school on Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. A prior notice was sent home about this. For delayed payments, please contact the school office. We appreciate and thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter.

## **FIFTH GRADE BALLROOM DANCING**

Fifth grade Ballroom culminating event is schedule on Thursday, May 12, at 1:30pm in the school cafeteria. All the parents and guardians from fourth and fifth grade are invited to attend the event. We hope your presence will encourage our students' effort, and appreciate what they have learned in this program. This will give an idea to our fourth grade parents about this program for next year. We are grateful to Connelly Foundation for sponsoring this program and Ms. Ellen Gerdes for her dedication and patience to teach our fifth graders.

## **JET CARTRIDGE RECYCLING**

Just a reminder – don't forget to send in your used ink cartridges. The Emerald Recycling Company will pay schools \$3.00 for each cartridge. It is a "free no hassle fundraiser." Epson cartridges are the only cartridges not accepted for recycling.

## **GRADUATION**

The Kindergarten Graduation ceremony will be held on June 11<sup>th</sup> at 10AM in the cafeteria. After the ceremony Pre-K and Kindergarten will be dismissed. The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation Mass will be held on Wednesday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30AM. After the mass the 8<sup>th</sup> grade will be dismissed.

## **CARES**

The last day for CARES program is June 11, 2010. Please make sure that all your payments are up-to-date.

## **SCHOOL CLOSING**

School will close for grades 1-7 on June 18, 2010 at 11:00AM

**HAVE A SAFE AND BLESSED SUMMER!**

## **REMINDERS**

- ✓ **All Tuition/Lab & Material Fees are due by April 30, 2010**
- ✓ **Candy Money due on May 5<sup>th</sup>**
- ✓ **Return Re-Registration Forms**
- ✓ **Parents DO NOT drop children off before 7:50AM and please do not move the orange cones in the parking lot or drive your car through them. Your car is not permitted beyond those cones for your child/ren safety reasons.**
- ✓ **Parents are not allowed or/and permitted to walk your child/ren to their classroom or through the school.**