



# Our Lady of Mercy Catholic School Newsletter, May 2024

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## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS OPEN



Kindergarten and new student registration is still open! Please register or contact us today if you are interested in enrolling your child in Kindergarten for September 2024! Details: <http://bit.ly/3wasNrb>

### Monday – As People of Hope

- Ms. Craig’s Class performing at the Bancroft Pentecostal Music Festival.
- **OPEN HOUSE – ALL CLASSROOMS 1-2 PM**

### Tuesday – As People of Faith

- JK/SKs, Gr 1/2s, 3/4, 4/5 & 5/6 Classes performing at the Baptist Chapel

### Wednesday – As People of Mercy

- C3 Celebration Gr 7/8

### Thursday –As People of Justice

- Witness Day – Gr. 6s traveling to St. Joseph’s Church in Belleville for Mass

### Friday –Volunteer Tea

- Volunteer Tea from 11 am to 2 pm

## ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS



Our staff at Our Lady of Mercy want **ALL** our Volunteers to know how special you are! There is so much we couldn’t do without your assistance and dedication to our school and students! We would like to invite you to a Volunteer Tea drop-in with bake goods on **Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 m to 2:00 pm.** Please **RSVP to the office by Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>.**



**Catholic Education Week**



## Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Poster Contest



Congratulations to our winners of the Violence Awareness & Random Acts of Kindness Poster Contest! Congratulations to Brinlyn and Meaghan who were winners this year!

## PAUL DAVIS

### ONLINE SAFETY PRESENTATIONS

On Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, Cyber Safety Expert, Paul Davis came to Bancroft and presented to all of our students from Grades 4 to 8 in the North Hastings High School gymnasium. The event highlighted for our students the importance of engaging in all online activity in a safe manner and suggested ways to do so. We were grateful to be able to collaborate with local agencies such as North Hastings Community Integration Association and North Hastings Children's Services, as well as other local schools and school councils including, Maynooth PS, Birds Creek PS, York River PS, and North Hastings High School, which were able to share PROGrant Funding to bring this event to fruition. We are also grateful to the Village Playhouse for their support of the evening event for parents and caregivers. We would like to extend special thanks to Niki Braybrook, staff of North Hastings Community Integration Association and Our Lady of Mercy School Council Member, for coordinating this event. Thank you to all of our parents and caregivers who were able to make it out for the evening event at the Playhouse! We hope you all found it helpful and informative and would welcome your feedback.

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## CHESS TOURNAMENT



The Chess Team had an outstanding day at the Tournament. Everyone played hard. Josh placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Grade 4s and Reed placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the Grade 6s. Great job team! Mrs. Hicks

## EARTH DAY & WEEK

Our OLM Eco Team kicked off Earth Week with an assembly to showcase the importance of our work to protect our environment and plans for the week. To finish off Earth Week, our school participated in an Earth Day clean up for our school grounds and surrounding property. Students took on the responsibility of keeping their school and the environment clean, and we were able to gather many bags of garbage and

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make our school and area look fresh again!  
Thanks for all your hard work OLM students!  
Ms. Kirton

## Remembrance Day Posters



We are so proud of our students, Abby & Lucia! Abby placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in our Region for her Intermediate Black & White Poster and Lucia came in 1<sup>st</sup> place for her Primary Colour Poster and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall Ontario Wide!! Congratulations to both of you!!

## Principal Day – May 1<sup>st</sup>



**Thank YOU Ms. McEnery for all that you do for the students at OLM**

## KNITTING CLUB



Mrs. O'Brien & Ms. Parking taught interested students during lunch recesses how to knit. The students made bunnies for Easter. Two of our dedicated members, Chase and Remi, missed having their picture taken.

## LUNCH DAYS!!!!

PLEASE PAY through **CASHOnline** for ALL of you food orders by May 13<sup>th</sup>. Sorry but NO orders will be accepted after this date.



Our Pizza Day will be on Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>.



White milk and chocolate milk will be available on a daily basis beginning each month. Kawartha Dairy no longer supplies apple or orange juice. White or Chocolate Milk can be purchased **monthly** online using **CASHONLINE**. **June's deadline to order milk is on May 29<sup>th</sup>.**



**BEGINNING SEPTEMBER ALL MILK WILL BE PURCHASED THROUGH LUNCHBOX (SAME AS THE PITA PIT ORDERS)**



Our Subway day will be Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>



Pita Pit is available through **CASHOnline** (Lunch Box) every Friday. The next Pita Pit lunches will be Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Orders must be placed by the Sunday, before.

SchoolCashOnline  
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Milk will be available on-line, as well as pizza orders and other school-related student fees. **ALL monies** should come through School Cash Online and **cash should not be sent to the school** except for certain circumstances. **As per our Board Policy, Parents need to make payment through CASHOnline**. To register for online purchases, please see our website, and scroll down to "Register Now".

**JAM ORDERS**



Our jam orders will be ready just in time for Mother's Day on May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> for pick up

at the school. Please make arrangements accordingly. Thank you for your support!



Mother's Day will be celebrated on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to acknowledge all the wonderful things our Mother's do for us!

♥ Welcome to Kindergarten

Our "Welcome to Kindergarten" Orientation Meeting with New Kindies and Parents will be on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Invitations will be sent out via email. Watch your inbox for more information!

**Beacon of Hope Award**



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The ALCDSB celebrated two Beacons of Hope in Bancroft on April 10th! Congratulations to Hope from OLM and September from St. Martin of Tours for their involvement with their peers, their school and their community. These individuals truly are unsung heroes.

## Merit Awards Winners for March & April

### Tree Top Trekking

The Grade 7/8s will be going to Peterborough on Friday, May 17th to participate in activities at Tree Top Trekking.



### School Mass



We will be having a School Mass on Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. All are welcome!



Education Quality and  
Accountability Office



EQAO begins on May 21<sup>st</sup> and will run until May 24<sup>th</sup>. Please try to avoid having your children be absent on those days if they are in grade 3 or grade 6. Thank you for your cooperation!

Congratulations to our March and April Merit Award Winners!

### CAMP QUIN-MO-LAC

Ms. Phieffer's 6/7s will be going to Camp-Mo-Lac on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for their class trip.





PA day is Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>.



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