



PARENT UPDATE #6: OCTOBER 12 – OCTOBER 15



Happy Thanksgiving to our entire OLF School Community. We wish you a peaceful weekend filled with gratitude for the many blessings God has filled your life with. We look forward to seeing students after the long weekend on Tuesday October 12th.

Pizza and Lunch Box Program is Back!

We are thrilled to communicate that we will soon begin to offer the Lunch program, including Subway, Pizza and Mr. Sub for those families who wish to purchase it for their children. More information will be upcoming in an email on Tuesday, so stay tuned.



Volunteers Needed!

The only way we can offer these lunch programs to students is with the help of Parent/Guardian volunteers. If you can assist our school, please email Mr. Shannon @ shannonj@hcdsb.org and let us know your availability. Our volunteers will require a valid police check with vulnerable sector screening within the last 6 months. This can be obtained from the Halton Police Check, but takes approximately 2-3 weeks to be completed.

Masks on School Property

Please model proper COVID protocols by wearing masks at all times when on school property, during morning drop off and afternoon pick-up. We appreciate your assistance and consistent practice of this behaviour as we ask the same of all of our students. This particularly includes during afternoon pickup when many parents/guardians are standing at the fence waiting for their child in close proximity to others. We thank you for your partnership with this everyday.



School Picture day is Back!!!

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting School Picture day on Wednesday October 27 and Thursday October 28.

Arriving on time

School begins at 8:20am. The doors are open for students to enter beginning at 8:05am. It is very important that we are establishing good routines with our students and children, by ensuring that they arrive on time each day. Please consider walking your child to school to avoid the busy parking lots in the morning and afternoon. **A reminder that students should not be dropped off prior to 8:05am each day, as Supervision of students begins at that time. Students cannot enter the school until 8:05am, when supervisors arrive.**

Office Drop offs

Please send your child each day with their healthy lunch and water bottle when you drop them off in the morning. We want to avoid disruptions to the class and student learning, so we ask that you avoid dropping materials off at the office, by ensuring they are packed each morning with all they need.

Daily Screening for COVID-19 Symptoms

A continued reminder that Self-screening **must** be completed **each** day before a student attends school by using the [Ontario School and Child Care Screening Tool](#). If a student does not pass the self-screening, they are to remain home and follow the direction given on the screening tool. To ensure the safety of all students and staff, students are not permitted to enter the school building until the self-screening has been completed.



Grade 7 and 8 Confirmation

The dates for the Sacrament of Confirmation have been shared by St. Benedict Parish. Full information has been emailed to all parents of Grade 7 and 8 students. If you did not receive information or if you have any questions, please connect with your child's teacher or speak to OLF administrators Mr. Shannon and Mrs. Varano.

Date for Confirmation are:

Thursday November 11th – 6:30pm – Mr. Donald and Ms. Lake's Class

Thursday November 11th - 7:30pm – Mme. Antonelli and Mrs. Lamanna's Class

Monday November 15th – 6:30pm – Mr. Miszuk and Mr. Filipiak's Class

Monday November 15th - 7:30pm – Mrs. Szwed and Mrs. Smith's Class

Students must attend during their scheduled date and time assigned to their class. Please be aware due to the pandemic protocols, the celebration of Confirmation will only be attended by the student receiving Confirmation, their sponsor and two parents/guardians. Unfortunately due to government and diocesan pandemic protocols, no other guests over the four designated (including other siblings and relatives) are allowed. **No exception to this rule can be made according to the Diocese of Hamilton.**

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic Secondary School

The Virtual Grade 8 information night for Secondary School will take place on **Wednesday, November 3** in the evening. Details are being confirmed by the Administration at the school, but when details become available they will place it on their website:

<https://secondary.hcdsb.org/stkateri>



UPCOMING DATES:

October 11 – Thanksgiving – School closed

October 26 – Bishop Reding Information Night

October 27-28 – School Picture Day

October 29 – Halloween Fun DAY!!!

October 29 – OCGE Golden Ticket Assembly #2

November 3 – St. Kateri Information night