



October 15, 2021

Dear Old Mission School Parents,

Our students are continuing to have great success in raising pledges for our Walkathon! Students have raised over \$67,500 already and sponsorships have hit \$24,800 with two weeks still to go! We are now aiming for \$100,000, I think we can do it! WAY TO GO OMS!

The Falcon Games competition today featured teachers and students competing in “Cuesta” which is a knockout basketball shooting competition. The winners today in each bracket were as follows: 2nd grade, fifth grade and 8B. So FUN!

In continuing our review for accreditation, the third and last of our School-wide Learning Expectations (SLEs) and the indicators is as follows:

I serve the local and global community with honor and dignity.

- I respectfully and joyfully serve others in a diverse community.
- I share with a grateful heart and advocate for others.
- I listen empathetically and am a team player.
- I lead by example and act with integrity.
- I am aware of and respond to global issues and needs.
- I appreciate and support family.

We are grateful to partner with you - the parents and primary educators. Together we foster and encourage our students to achieve the SLEs.

Next Week Character Counts! During [Character Counts week](#), we focus on a different theme each day with lessons and activities at each grade level that help students reflect on the theme. Students may wear a solid-colored shirt with jeans (or uniform shorts/pants) that matches the color associated with the daily theme. This is a fun and character developing week for all here at OMS!

Monday 10/18	Tuesday 10/19	Wednesday 10/20	Thursday 10/21	Friday 10/22	Tuesday 10/26 (No school Monday)
Trustworthiness	Respect	Responsibility	Fairness	Caring	Citizenship
			Orange/Pink		

The Old Mission Catholic School community is dedicated to the development of socially responsible citizens who are spiritually enriched, academically empowered, and morally accountable for their actions.

As the Walkathon falls on the Friday before Halloween, we have adjusted our “normal” activities. We will send home the WAT tee shirts on Thursday and ask that students come dressed in their WAT tees and shorts for the event. They may wear a costume over their WAT gear for our annual parade at the beginning of the day (which we will video and share). We will then have students remove costumes and stow them in a bag to keep them safe for Sunday. Students will then proceed with the WAT, and following their turn on the course, some of the younger students will have a Halloween party in their classrooms. Any treats provided must be individually wrapped per our guidelines. The school will also be providing a Halloween treat bag for all students. Thank you for helping us make this a special day for our students and our school. I will resend the costume guidelines when we get closer to the day.

Upcoming events:

Oct. 18-26	Character Counts Week
Oct. 21	Wake Up Early with Tess and Shirley! (Parent Club-sponsored coffee and pastries in the Mission garden) 8:30-9:30
Oct. 25	No school, accreditation workday
October 29	Walkathon, Minimum Day dismissal
November 4	Picture retakes
November 5	First Fri. Birthdays, Minimum Day dismissal
November 11	End of Trimester 1
November 12	Teachers in uniform, Students get free dress
Nov. 15-17	Conferences, Minimum Dismissal Days
Nov. 22-26	Thanksgiving Break

Have a great weekend.

-Shirley Gray

