



November 19, 2021

Dear Old Mission School Parents,

Happy Friday! We are all looking forward to a well deserved rest next week.

Yesterday morning the TK students hosted the Grand Opening of Freddy's Restaurant! I was privileged to be among the guests. Mrs. Colvin has worked with the students on this fabulous project-based learning opportunity for several weeks. They have learned the vocabulary, responsibilities, and roles that go into running a restaurant. The children did a wonderful job. What a fantastic learning experience for all!

Next Monday is BJ's birthday. We are so grateful for all she does for us here at OMS. We are blessed to have such a dedicated and generous colleague maintaining an organized and efficient office, greeting our families and guests each day, and keeping our kids well supplied with Band-aids and ice packs! Many happy returns of the day and blessings to you, BJ!

We are looking forward to offering a couple of after-school enrichment programs in the new year. Look for sign-ups for the 6-8th grade golf, tennis, and Vex Robotics for 5th-8th. There will be limited spots in both. We were hopeful to offer Playwell Lego Robotics for our younger students, but they are not offering in-person programming in our area until fall. We will look for other opportunities for our younger students.

COVID Reminder- As cases are once again on the rise, we are cautioned to anticipate a winter surge. Please partner with us in reminding your children to be diligent in following all protocols and avoiding unnecessary close contact with others. We hope to prevent any closures of classes or a return to distance learning, but we need your intentional efforts as families, particularly on weekends and during holiday activities.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Joanne Caetano, Mrs. Daughtry's sister who passed away from COVID last week. May her soul and all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

I've included a handout, *The Deep Meaning Behind the Prayer Before Meals*, which helps explain the significance of our traditional grace that all students learn here at OMS and pray before lunch. Thank you to Mrs. Weisenberg for sharing this.

From all of us here at Old Mission School, we wish you and yours a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! We'll see you on Monday, November 29th to begin our Advent preparations!

Upcoming events:

November 22-26	Thanksgiving Break
November 28	First Sunday of Advent, Hanukkah begins
December 3	First Friday Birthdays, spirit wear, minimum dismissal day
December 10	OLOG Play by 3rd grade, Festive Christmas sweater/shirt (with jeans) day

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December 17 Kindergarten Christmas play, Minimum Dismissal, NO ASA
December 18-January 2 Christmas break!
Monday, January 3 NO School, Teacher workday
Tuesday, January 4 Students return to school



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