

To: Parents of OLG Students
Fr: Mrs. Chaimowitz
Re: Week of April 27, 2009

Congratulations: Our apologies to **Rylee N.** (5th grader), whose name was mistakenly left off the list of **Honor Roll** students that appeared in last week's bulletin. Rylee was awarded **Second Honors** for her good grades during the 2nd Trimester. Congratulations, Rylee!

First Communion Practice: There will be a First Communion practice on Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. In addition to all Grade 2 students, at least one parent for each 2nd grader should also attend.

First Friday Prayer Vigil: Thank you to Grade 4 parents who will participate in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Prayer Vigil this Friday, May 1 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

More Congratulations: Congratulations to **Nicole P.** (6th grade), who competed last weekend in the *Star Power Dance Competition* in San Diego. Nicole earned a gold medal for her first solo dance, as well as a gold for her duet. She was also a member of the team that won an additional gold, 5 elite golds, and a platinum medal for group numbers she danced in. Wonderful dancing, Nicole! You made us very proud.

Spring Raffle: This is your **final** reminder to buy your tickets for the **Spring Raffle! Hawaii! Laughlin! Buca di Beppo!** It's also one of your last opportunities to fulfill your Family Fundraising Account obligation, with **100%** of your raffle ticket purchases credited to your FFA. This year's drawing will be held at the Monday, May 4 morning assembly. The **absolute deadline** to purchase and submit tickets will be **Friday, May 1 by 1:00 p.m.** Tickets will **not be accepted at the Monday morning assembly**, so get your tickets in now. Good Luck to all of you!

Hot Lunch: Thanks to many of you our **Mr. Jiffy Hot Lunch** program is a huge success! Please read the following reminders about tickets and vouchers:

- Hot lunch tickets are issued daily to children who ordered hot lunch. These tickets are submitted to *Mr. Jiffy* by the student and the meal is served.
- If a child is absent, the teacher will give a pink voucher to that child when he/she returns, which may be used in two ways:
 1. When a parent pre-orders hot lunch for the following month, include voucher with pre-pay order and check.
 2. As a hot lunch "rain check". Children may submit the pink voucher to *Mr. Jiffy* for a meal, but must wait to be served until all pre-ordered lunches for that day are filled first.

Starting immediately, we will offer a **new option** to our *Mr. Jiffy* lunch program. In the case of a last minute lunch emergency, a student may purchase a same-day hot lunch ticket from **Coach Fisher before the 7:50 a.m. morning bell**. Coach Fisher will be available in the P.E. office to sell **\$6.00** last-minute hot lunch tickets Monday through Thursday. Please remind students to sign their tickets or vouchers immediately upon receipt.

PTO Board Nominations: Thank you to those parents who submitted their nominations for PTO Board positions. I appreciate your taking the time to consider your selections. Unfortunately, we did not receive many forms back, so are hoping to receive more nominations in your returned family envelopes this week.

Save the Date: Skate Night is coming back by popular demand on Thursday, May 28, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at **Skateland!** This always popular and fun night is a family event, so bring sisters, brothers, and grandparents! *Skateland* is located on Parthenia Street in Northridge. Pre-sale tickets will be \$7.00 each for admission and skate rental. Flyers with pre-sale information will be included in upcoming family envelopes.

Used Uniforms Sale: Sister Michelle will have a **Used Uniforms Sale** in the Parish Hall on Thursday, May 7, from 7:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. She will have many uniform items in excellent condition to sell at very reasonable prices, so be sure to stop by for the bargains!

Yearbook Orders: We are now taking orders for the 2008-2009 OLG yearbook, so please order your child's yearbook now. Please complete the order form included in this family envelope, place it in an envelope with your payment (checks payable to "OLG School"), and send it to the school office. This is the first time we've taken yearbook orders for this year, so if you bought a **dedication ad** within the last few months, don't be confused and think you ordered a yearbook. (The cost of an ad does not include the cost of ordering an actual yearbook.)

Because the cost of printing has increased dramatically this year, we will not be printing extras as we have in the past. We ask every family to return their form before May 15 indicating whether they do or do not intend to purchase a yearbook. **Please understand that if you do not order before May 15, NO EXTRA YEARBOOKS WILL BE AVAILABLE.** Thank you for your understanding. If you have any questions, please call Brandy Schaffels at 818-921-9876.

Jamba Juice: OLG loves *Jamba Juice!* That's why we're making **every Thursday** "*OLG Day*" at our local *Jamba Juice* Encino store for the rest of the school year. Check out the flyer in today's family envelope and help us support our school while enjoying a healthy drink and/or snack! We've started a partnership with the Encino *Jamba Juice* where **20%** of **all** their OLG sales on any **Thursday** will come back to our school. Simply let your order-taker know you're there to support Our Lady of Grace School, and we'll receive 20% of your purchase amount. Thanks in advance for your support!

An Evening with Michael Gurian: Crespi High School will have a lecture and book signing by Michael Gurian; the author of *The Purpose of Boys – Helping Our Sons Find Meaning, Significance, and Direction in Their Lives*, this Wednesday, April 29 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in their Alumni Memorial Gym. Mr. Gurian will offer useful advice on how to help boys succeed in the key challenge of today's world – finding purpose in life.

Parish Picnic: OLG's annual Parish Picnic and Mass will be on Sunday, May 17. The gathering will begin at 1:00 p.m., with Mass at 2:00 p.m. Bring your family and friends – and a picnic lunch. There will be music, entertainment, and games for the children. We are in need of more volunteers to help on that day. Please call Mr. or Mrs. McCarthy if you'd like to help us. Watch for further information in coming bulletins.

Lost & Found: If you are missing any uniform items, please remember we have a Lost & Found area in the west building hallway near the Kindergarten classroom. There are many lost items stored there now, but we will clear them out soon. If you think we may be holding something of your child's there, please visit the Lost & Found before Wednesday, May 6, as items will be moved to Sister Michelle's Used Uniform Sale taking place on Thursday, May 7.

Moving Boxes: Thank you to the many families who've donated boxes to us for our upcoming move out of classrooms and offices before the remodel begins. Your response has been very helpful and much appreciated! However, we are still in need of even more, more, more boxes! This week we are in need of several large boxes so the Pre-K teachers can begin their packing. (They'll be moving before the school year ends, so are the first class to begin packing.) If you can donate any boxes, please bring them to the school office at your earliest convenience.

Thank You: Many thanks go out to the Iannarilli family, who recently donated a new blood pressure monitor to the OLG Health Room.

Legoland Free Admissions: Is anyone planning a trip to *Legoland* before December 31, 2009? We have approximately twenty **free admission (with purchase of one full price admission)** coupons in the school office. If interested, please come to the office and ask for the coupons.

Games:	Monday	April 27	Girls B Softball	Home vs. St. Paschal
	Monday	April 27	Boys B Volleyball	Home vs. St. Mel
	Wednesday	April 29	Boys A Volleyball	Away vs. St. Cyril of Jerusalem
	Thursday	April 30	Girls A Softball	Away vs. St. Paschal