



Our Lady of Guadalupe School
In the MSJ Dominican Tradition



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*Be who God created you to be and you will set the world on fire.
(St. Catherine of Siena)*

Dear OLG Families,

This quote from St. Catherine, which I have used often in meetings, is our theme for the 2018-19 school year! We are poised for a year of opportunity and innovation as we strive to be the people God has created us to be and as we partner with you, our OLG parents, in helping your children be the best God has created them to be.

By the time you read this, your OLG School Staff will have spent three days together, praying, planning, and preparing for your children. What a joy-filled experience to find such collegiality among so many! Please see the staff listing in this bulletin and join us in praying for God’s blessings upon our new year.

As part of the planning and preparing, we have restructured some of the middle school staffing. Ms. Betsy Justice will be coordinating the English/Language Art curriculum for grades 6-7-8 and teaching gr. 8 ELA. Mrs. Amber Cunningham, will be the 7th grade homeroom teacher, teaching gr. 7 Religion and ELA and grades 6-7-8 Art while working with Ms. Elizabeth Harmuth on Educational Technology. Ms. Harmuth continues to be the Educational Technology Resource Teacher and will teach Science in grades 3-4-5. Bringing such focus to these curriculum areas will help to strengthen them.

I’m very much looking forward to seeing all our children on the 21st. As I’ve often shared with you our families, we do take our ministry as a sacred trust as you share your most precious gift with us daily during the school year.

With excitement and energy,

In God’s Peace,

S. Janice Therese, O.P.

CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE		
SAT	Aug 18	9:00am-12:00pm Beautification Day
TUE	Aug 21	First Day of School Free Dress Coffee Social for parents following the 8am assembly outside Noon dismissal for K – 8 th grades
WED	Aug 22	Free Dress Noon dismissal for K – 8 th grades
THUR	Aug 23	Full Uniform starts today Noon dismissal for Kinder only 6:30 – 8pm: Back to School Night for Grades K - 5
FRI	Aug 24	PE Begins (check with your child for his/her PE days) Noon dismissal for Kinder only
MON	Aug 27	3:10 – 4:00pm: First Choir Practice Pizza order form due today (form is available on the school website and in this issue of the school bulletin)
TUE	Aug 28	6:30 – 8pm: Back to School Night for Grades 6 - 8
WED	Aug 29	School Photo Day Full Uniform (no PE clothes even if your child has PE today) 2pm Dismissal for K – 8 th grades
THUR	Aug 30	Cookie Dough Fundraiser Kickoff (catalogs sent home)

Beautification Day/Work Party This Saturday!

This Saturday, August 18th, we will be holding a Beautification Day to spruce up the school grounds, in preparation for the new school year.

This is a great opportunity to earn Service Hours early in the school year. We will be weeding, pruning, sweeping, cleaning and assembling a shed, to name a few of the tasks. If you can be a part of the crew this weekend, please plan to bring work gloves. Also, if you have long-handled pruning shears, a wheelbarrow, trimmers, a leaf blower, weed whacker, and/or rake we can put them to good use.

Water and snacks will be provided!



Introducing the OLG 2018-2019 Staff

S. Janice Wellington, O.P. - Principal

Ms. Elizabeth Harmuth - Vice Principal /Ed Tech Resource Teacher/
3-4-5 gr. Science Teacher

Mrs. Shannon Bellison - Vice Principal / 3rd Grade Teacher

Mrs. Veronica Florez - Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Alejandra Siqueiros - Bookkeeper / Regular Pace 7th & 8th Grade Math

Mrs. Karen Murray - Director of Mission Advancement

Ms. Brigitte Brooks - Pre K Director / Head Teacher

Mrs. Mary Flack-Meza - Pre K Teacher

Mrs. Erika Mascorro - Pre K Instructional Assistant

Mrs. Gloria Higarez - Kindergarten Teacher

Ms. Alyssa Schirripa -1st Grade Teacher

Mrs. Lou Prokop -1st Grade Instructional Assistant

Mrs. Jane Symonds - 2nd Grade Teacher

Mrs. Kathleen Shin - 2nd Grade Instructional Assistant

Ms. Brittani Gomes - 4th Grade Teacher

Ms. Angela Longarini - 5th Grade Teacher

Ms. Jessica Casey - 6th Grade Homeroom Teacher/6-7-8 Grade Social Studies

Mrs. Amber Cunningham - 7th gr. Homeroom and ELA Teacher/ 6-7-8 Art
Teacher/ Ed. Tech Resource

Ms. Betsy Justice - 8th Grade ELA Teacher

Mrs. Kimberly Hughes - 8th gr. Homeroom Teacher / 6-7-8 Math & Science

Mr. Michael Avina - PE Teacher

Mr. Sam Retelas - Resource Co-Director

Mrs. Christina Govea -Resource Co-Director

Ms. Traci Colon - Librarian / Staff Support

Ms. Robin Snyder - Music / Band Teacher

Mrs. Stephanie Pennelly -Extended Care Co-Director

Mrs. Angel Cogal -Extended Care Co-Director / Kinder Instructional Assistant

Mrs. Magda Morcos -Extended Care Assistant / Kinder Instructional Assistant

Ms. Sierra Barisione -Extended Care Assistant / 1st & 3rd gr. Instructional
Assistant

Ms. Janessa Colaci -Extended Care Assistant

Mrs. Danielle Bell -School Counselor

PIZZA HOT LUNCH ORDER

*Pizza Lunch is offered every Monday
(or Tuesday, when Monday is a school holiday).*

Lunch includes Pizza, Drink and a Snack

Prices are per student

Option A - \$40.00 (1 slice, 12 weeks, 9/4/18 – 11/19/18)

Option B - \$50.00 (2 slices, 12 weeks, 9/4/18 -11/19/18)

Option C – \$120.00 (1 slice, full school year, 9/4/18 – 5/28/19)

Option D – \$150.00 (2 slices, full school year, 9/4/18 – 5/28/19)

STUDENT NAME	GRADE	OPTION (see above)	Check here for no meat CHEESE ONLY**
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**if checked, this applies to all pizza days

Form & payment are due in the office by 8am on Monday, 8/27/18

\$5 fee applies to any orders turned in after Monday 08/27

Office Use Only

Amount Paid: _____ Date Paid: _____ Pmt. Method: _____

Instrumental Music Letter



Dear Our Lady of Guadalupe School Families,

Enrollment for the Instrumental Music is now open for the 2018-2019 school year! Many families at our school enhance the Music Program by introducing their children to beautiful, complex music at an early age, while raising the bar for musicianship in junior high. This year we have a new music instructor, Ms. Robin Snyder, who comes to us with a wealth of experience teaching and as a professional musician who regularly performs throughout the Bay Area.

While private and small group music lessons are very expensive, ranging in cost from \$60 - \$80 per 45 - 60 minute classes, we are grateful that we will be offering after-school instrumental music lessons in strings and band instruments for a yearly fee of \$240 per student, which averages out to under \$7.00 per lesson. The lessons will be after school on Wednesdays in the Parish Center. In addition to the lessons, our instrumental classes, (Strings and Band) will provide the exciting opportunity to perform as an ensemble for an audience of peers and families at the Christmas and Spring Concerts and prior to the Spring Musical at Ohlone College. This is such a wonderful opportunity for the children. Learning to read and play music is a skill that is a lifetime gift. Parents with students at Moreau who have gone through our program share with us that the students had a real advantage in pursuing musical interests there because of their experience at OLG.

Instrumental Music classes are held **after school on Wednesdays** and offer instruction for the following instruments:

Strings (open to Grades 3-8): violin, viola, cello, bass

Band (open to Grades 4-8): flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone

Band and Strings classes are divided into four groups based on instrument and experience.

- ◆ **Concert Band and Concert Strings are for first year musicians, as well as returning musicians who have decided to switch instruments.**
- ◆ **Advanced Strings and Advanced Band are for experienced musicians who are ready to play more challenging music.**

Strings and Band classes begin Wednesday, **August 29th, 2018**. As with all other team activities, every musician is expected to attend weekly classes. This year's class schedule is as follows:

Concert Strings: 2:20-2:55

Advanced Band: 3:00-3:40

Concert Band: 3:45-4:30

Advanced Strings: 4:35-5:20

Please note that musicians waiting at school for their class to begin must check into Extended Care. Extended Care fees will be applicable.

Instrument Rental Options:

1. A number of instruments for student rental are available depending on sign-up order and the instrument size needed by the student. There is a \$160 rental fee for each instrument for the school year. Payment options for lessons and instrument rental are as follows:

- One time payment of \$240 for the year's lessons (no instrument rental).
- Two payments of \$120 each for lessons only – first payment due at sign-up by August 29, 2018 and final payment due January 25th.
- One time payment of \$240 for the year's lessons **and** \$160 for the school year rental of the instrument (\$400 total due at time of sign-up).
- Two payments of \$200 each ($\frac{1}{2}$ of lesson fees and $\frac{1}{2}$ of rental fee) – first payment due at sign-up by August 29, 2018 and final payment due January 25th.

All checks should be made out to Our Lady of Guadalupe School and sent or given to the office with the necessary registration for the lessons. Payment for lessons for the year and for instrument rental fees must be paid by the first day of lessons, 8/29/18.

If there are not enough instruments to fill the need of students interested in the program, we have provided the following options from local vendors. Arrangements for the rental agreement and fees will be determined and arranged between you and the company chosen.

2. Rentals and rent-to-own options are available from the following local vendors. Please call them directly for fees:

- Allegro Music: (Fremont) – 3115 Walnut Ave. Fremont, CA 94538-2216. 510-793-3500. www.allegromusic.net
- Starving Musician: (Santa Clara) – 3427 El Camino Real - two blocks south of Lawrence Expressway. 408-554-9041. www.starvingmusician.net
- Norm's Music: (Mountain View) – 1901 Old Middlefield Way #9, Mountain View, CA. 650-968-4800. www.norms.com

If you would like your child to participate in this exciting program, please complete, sign and return the form on the next page to the OLG office by Friday, August 24.

We will have our **first class/information meeting for students in the four sections on August 29, during their regular class times.** Students will be sized for school instruments and receive rental agreements at this time. Please note that we may not be able to accommodate all students with school instruments. Musical instruction will begin the following week on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

OLG Instrumental Music Enrollment for 2018-2019

My child/children, listed below will participate in the after school strings/band program.

Child Name & Grade: _____

Child Name & Grade: _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent Signature: _____

I would like to pay the class fee using the following plan:

___ One-time payment of \$240: due at time of sign-up

___ Two payments of \$120: due at time of sign-up and January 25, 2019.

___ I am interested in renting an instrument through the program, and understand this is on a first-come, first-served basis, pending availability of the correct size instrument for my child.

I would like to pay the rental fee using the following plan:

___ One-time payment of \$160: due at time of sign-up

___ Two payments of \$80: due at time of sign-up and January 25, 2019.

___ I would like to be placed on a waiting list if the program is full at the time my registration is received.

****Return this form and applicable payment to OLG School by Friday, August 24, 2018****