



Our Lady of Guadalupe School
In the MSJ Dominican Tradition



Dear OLG Families,

Star-Giving from Kneeling in Bethlehem, Ann Weems

What I'd really like to give you for Christmas
is a star...
Brilliance in a package,
something you could keep in the pocket of your jeans
or in the pocket of your being.
Something to take our in times of darkness,
something that would never snuff out nor tarnish
something you could hold ion your hand,
something for wonderment,
something for pondering,
something that would remind you of
what Christmas has always meant:
God's Advent Light into the darkness of this world.
But stars are only God's for giving,
and I must be content to give you words and wishes and
packages without stars.
But I can wish you life
as radiant as the Star
that announced the Christ Child's coming,
and as filled with awe as the shepherds who stood
beneath its light.
And I can pass on to you the love
that has been given to me,
ignited countless times by others
who have knelt in Bethlehem's light.
Perhaps, if you ask, God will give you a star.

Thank you for sharing the STAR(S) in your life, your children! May our Savior fill each of you with Peace and Joy during this blessed time and may 2019 come to you full of possibilities!

In God's Peace,

S. Janice Therese, O.P.



Merry
Christmas



CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE		
THUR	DEC 20	Advent Retreat; PE Uniform; Noon Dismissal – No PM Ext. Care
DEC 21 – JAN 4		Christmas Holiday – No School
MON	JAN 7	School Resumes
JAN 7 – JAN 11		Second Grade Bake Sale
WED	JAN 9	Noon Dismissal

Advent Retreat on Thursday, December 20th

Students can leave their backpacks at home and come to school wearing their PE uniforms; recess snacks will be provided.

Blessings to all our families for a joy-filled Christmas.

Prayer Corner;

♥ *Let us pray for those who are alone this Christmas season that they will be comforted by God's love.*

♥ *Let us pray for Mrs. Cunningham, 7th grade teacher & her husband, who will be having a baby.*

Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at
smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2988962 and
 Amazon donates to **Our Lady of Guadalupe School.**



Here are the winners for the Sees Candy Raffle!!

Gift Cards

Valentina Gonzalez
Neimann Family
Frederick Family

Fidget Spinners

Florez Family
Adriel Flores
Barahona Family
Kaleb Nguyen
Abigail Moran

Free Dress

Plascencia Family
Vincent Spicciati
Vargas Family
Melissa Siqueiros
Florez Family
Guardado Family
Owen Mei
Isaac Higaes
Sahana Hariharan
Niamh Ganac



Service Hour Opportunities:

Please make note of the following opportunities to earn Service Hours:

- ❖ Lunch volunteers are needed on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you are able to help one day a week, from 12:10pm – 12:50pm to earn a service hour each time plus receive a lunch credit from ChoiceLunch, please contact the school office for more information.
- ❖ Looking for parents that can help solicit donations for the Crab Feed prizes and advertising for the Crab Feed brochure. Earn your required Crab Feed service hours from your home, or by visiting businesses in person. For more information, please contact Karen Murray at kmurray@csdo.org or 510-657-1674.
- ❖ Save the Date for our next Beautification Day on Saturday, January 26, 2019; 9am - 12pm. Let's spruce up the school for Open House! This is a good opportunity for Jr. High students to also earn service hours toward the President's Volunteer Service Award. Please RSVP to Karen Murray at kmurray@csdo.org.

Welcome to the School Counselor's Corner



From Mrs. Danielle Bell, our School Counselor:

It's a beautiful and hectic time of year! Not only will we be celebrating Christmas soon, but the New Year is right around the corner! What do you and your family do to celebrate the New Year? I would love to share some thoughts and ideas with all of OLG's beautiful families. The new year can be a fresh start and a celebration of life. Every family deserves the regular opportunity to pause and consider how to make life easier, healthier and fun. This year I want to encourage all of you to create an intentional New Year and focus on family.

Here are several ideas that will create connection, meaning and intention as you head into the new year as a family.

- Focus on intention rather than resolutions. I don't make resolutions anymore as they set me up to live in the future or feel guilty about the past. Setting an intention allows you to soften having to fulfill something and lean into what you want for yourself. *Sankalpa*—the Sanskrit word for intention—is generated for your soul's growth. Therefore an intention brings awareness to what you hope for and can nurture your soul.
- Let the kids stay up till midnight! Yep you heard it right, it's the one time of year that you can build connection in staying up together. If you have little ones who will turn into monsters or you're just too tired, consider changing the clocks to midnight at a more reasonable hour. Also, you can do the New York celebration that has New Year's at 9pm our time. Toast the New Year with sparkling apple juice in fun cups and bang pots and pans!
- Throw a dance party! For those of you who like to dress up, do it! For our family we get into our Christmas Pj's and all play our favorite tunes and dance together...the kids usually take over when we poop out 😊
- Create time to start the year with love and appreciation. Have each family member share what their favorite things were about the past year. Since the answers are not always what you want to hear, you could ask for favorite family moment as well ;) In addition, ask your kids what they appreciate about themselves, about each other and their lives. You get to share in this ritual and get to be prepared. Talk about how things aren't meant to be perfect, but "LIVED." That you can find appreciation, love and wonder if you take the time to look.
- Take a New Year's selfie with the family. Let the kids make any face they want (even pouty). Enjoy capturing the moments and letting go of expectations.
- Take time to leave the past behind. All of us carry around some type of baggage. It could be feeling badly about something that happened, clutter, exhaustion, a test, resentment. Have everyone write it on a piece of paper and throw into the fire. Generally, people don't share

these but you can check in and ask ;) Also you could use a candle in a fire safe pan and have a lid nearby just in case. Just use care and do one little piece of paper at a time.

- Create a Family Moto! Some examples: We can do hard things – We live with Courage & Faith – Laugh More – Practice Forgiveness – Speak your Truth – Be you, everyone else is already taken – Do little acts of kindness – our intentions create our reality.

Cheers to creating a memorable and wholehearted Christmas and New Year for you and your family!
Sending magical wishes all your way! Love, Danielle

OLG Website News

The school website is being updated weekly with photos of current events at the school. To check out the latest, go to the Home page and click on LATEST POST. You can then navigate to previous posts to catch up on recent activities at the school.

An early Christmas gift!!

The Board of Directors of the Wayne and Gladys Valley Foundation has approved a grant for gyms in the Oakland Diocese. We have been approved for the following for our Parish Center:

- New floor, including subflooring and padding covered by a wood floor. All ramps between doors will also be taken care of.
- Ceiling basketball backboards and hoops (4 stationary ceiling suspended and wall supported, and 2 electronically retractable main backboards and hoops)
- Safety padding for walls closest to the courts
- Tip & Roll bleachers

Thank you to the Wayne and Gladys Valley Foundation for your generous gift! God bless you!

With Gratitude

With great gratitude we wish to thank **BR Printers** for their generous donation toward the printing of our newsletter, the OLG Community Connection that was mailed to our alumni and distributed to our school families today.

Thank you to **Charizza Madera** for her tremendous help with facilitating the printing process. In addition, we thank **Michele Guardado** for her donation toward postage. We are also grateful to an anonymous donor who has generously contributed to our marketing efforts. We are truly blessed!!

Thank you also to a friend of Mr. Sam's who donated the flat screen TV, which was recently installed by one of our parents, **Mr. Juan Madera (Arleth, gr.7 & Selomi, gr.2) and his son Juan**, class of 2017. The TV is located in our school lobby and will be used to display announcements and school event photos.





Our Lady of Guadalupe School would like to take the time to congratulate the following Students for participating in the Fremont Elks Hoop Shoot on Monday night.

Congratulations

Logan Fuentes 4th * Elijah Cariaso 4th * Frankie Delgado, 5th
Gabriel Rodriquez 6th * Joaquin Olavarria 6th * Cassidy Fuentes, 4th
Leila Holmes 3rd * Ariyah Ticzon 4th





Cast List for Marry Poppins Jr (Spring Musical)

Mary Poppins	Vietthi Tran	Park Stroller/Clerks	Advika Shivakumar
Bert	Keonn Pingul	Park Stroller/Clerks	Abigail Coroy
George Banks	Matthew Conners	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Alexssa Bermudez
Winifred Banks	Emily Liang	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Gianna Boongaling
Jane Banks	Cassidy Fuentez	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Ynarra Castaneda
Michael Banks	Lorenzo Ursua	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Aerin Contreras
Mrs. Brill (HouseKeeper)	Ayianna Olavarria	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Francisco Delgado
Robertson Ay (HouseBoy)	Hector Barahona	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Kelsea Espinosa
Katie (First Nanna)	Kayla Espinosa	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Ignacio Garica
Miss Smythe (Bank Sec)	Krisandra Pingul	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Flora Li
Chairman (Head of Bank)	Miguel Lorenzo	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Emilio Olavarria
Von Hussler (Shaddy Man)	Joaguin Quinonez	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Hannah Tagaga
Mr. Northbrook (Hon Busin)	Marcus McCallion	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Jasmine Grisanti
Mr. Corry (Shop Owner)	Zachariah Vystrcil	Chimney Sweep/Park Strollers	Harini Nidumolu
Miss. Andrews (Nanny)	Lela Saponara	Chimney Sweeps	Malia Abejuela
Neleus (Statue)	Isabella Wikman	Chimney Sweeps	Cerina Aminov
Statue	Kaley Ancheta	Chimney Sweeps	Carolina Cortez
Statue	Gabriella Dela Cruz	Chimney Sweeps	Franchesca Dela Cruz
Statue	Jessica Ramos	Chimney Sweeps	Francine Dela Cruz
Statue	Gemma McKane	Chimney Sweeps	Logan Fuentez
Bird Women	Tia Fernandes	Chimney Sweeps	Shannon McGarry
Policeman	Vincent Spicciati	Chimney Sweeps	Nathan Monterola
Policeman	Kaleb Nguyen	Chimney Sweeps	Melissa Olmedo
Policeman	Joaquin Olavarria	Chimney Sweeps	Nallely Plascencia
Messenger	Hayden Pastores	Chimney Sweeps	Ariyah Ticzon
Park Stroller/Clerks	Amanda Barahona	Chimney Sweeps	Rhys Porper
Park Stroller/Clerks	Milo Bugarini	Chimney Sweeps	Jayden Stancill
Park Stroller/Clerks	Claire Burns	Chimney Sweeps	Andrea Topacio
Park Stroller/Clerks	Samantha Chun	Chimney Sweeps	Samuel Vystrcil
Park Stroller/Clerks	James Juta	Chimney Sweeps	Nathan Zuniga
Park Stroller/Clerks	Isaias Reyes		

Kinder, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grade Spring Musical Participants

Park Stroller	Andrew Alcaraz	Park Stroller	Janelle Frederick
Park Stroller	Manraj Aujla	Park Stroller	Lyla Midel
Park Stroller	Felipe Costa Godoy	Park Stroller	Sebastian Rosales
Park Stroller	Adelyn Leong	Park Stroller	Bianca Suarez
Park Stroller	Gabriel Morales	Park Stroller	Zoey Joseph
Park Stroller	Stella Moran	Park Stroller	Shivaan Srivastava
Park Stroller	Maachi Vystcil	Park Stroller	Marc Madera
Park Stroller	Connor Aminov	Park Stroller	Mason Bellison
Park Stroller	Joseph Boyd	Park Stroller	Chaturya Babburi
Park Stroller	Marshall Bugarini	Park Stroller	Brandon Bellison
Park Stroller	McKayla Conners	Park Stroller	Emmanuel Cobarrubia
Park Stroller	Sierra Enriquez	Park Stroller	Gabriel Delgado
Park Stroller	Alessandra Fallas	Park Stroller	Leila Holmes
Park Stroller	Aayden Florez	Park Stroller	Elizabeth Juta
Park Stroller	Valentina Gonzalez	Park Stroller	Sharlette Moran
Park Stroller	Mia Joseph	Park Stroller	Sarah Peiris
Park Stroller	Elizabeth Kim	Park Stroller	Laura Noel Mathews
Park Stroller	Matthew Li	Park Stroller	Mia Ramos
Park Stroller	Alessandra Magana	Park Stroller	Francheska Rosales
Park Stroller	Sofia Mascorro	Park Stroller	Mayank Sanav
Park Stroller	Owen Mei	Park Stroller	Riyansh Shivakumar
Park Stroller	Sophia Osanyinjobi	Park Stroller	Finn Sokolich
Park Stroller	Jonquil Pastores	Park Stroller	Hiero Tuzon
Park Stroller	Amado Plascencia	Park Stroller	Audessa-Perseus Quirante

Practice Schedule for the Spring Musical, *Marry Poppins Jr*

Practices begin when we return from Christmas break.

- Practice for Kinder, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades: **Tuesdays** from 3 to 4pm, starting Jan. 8th.
- Practice for 4th and 5th grades: **Wednesday** from 2 to 3pm, starting Jan. 9th.
- First practice for Main Cast is January 8th. Practices vary based on the song and/or part of script that is the focus of the practice. A weekly schedule will be given to the students.



It's a 70's Party

Our Lady of Guadalupe School Crab Feed

Saturday, February 23, 2019

4:30pm - 11pm

Holy Spirit Parish Center

37588 Fremont Blvd, Fremont, Ca 94536

Silent & Live Auctions

Raffle Baskets

Balloon Pop Game

Photo corner

Live DJ

Bar

\$50 per person

(Must be 21 or older to attend)

Ticket purchase includes

Crab, pasta, salad, rolls, dessert, and coffee.

Tickets will be available for purchase

Beginning:

January 9th 2019



***For More information and Ticket Purchase:
Contact Our Lady Of Guadalupe School
at 510-657-1674***



Mrs. Cogal
Mrs. Shin

Kayla E. D

Mrs. Sam
M.S. Vanessa

Kathy Carmona

Merry Christmas

Mrs. Bell

Ms. Snyder

Mrs. Allie

and a very blessed 2019!

Ms. Hannah

Mrs. Cunningham

Ms. Schirripa

Mrs. Florez

Mrs. Symonda

Karen Murray
Ms. Casey

Ms. Colon

Ms. Higueras

Mrs. Hughes

Mrs. Bellison

Ms. Sierra

Ms. Justice

Ms. Brooks

Mrs. Morcos

Mrs. Prokop

Miss. Gomez

Mrs. Erika

Mr. Avina

Ms. Longarini

S. J. T. '19