

Our Lady of Guadalupe School

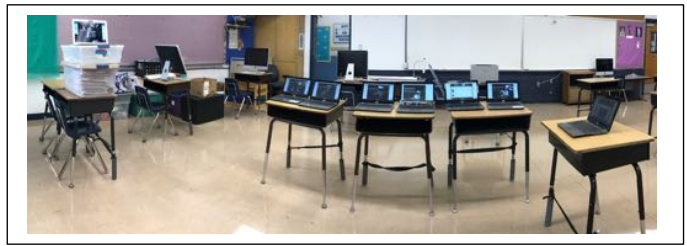
In the MSJ Dominican Tradition



Dear OLG Families,

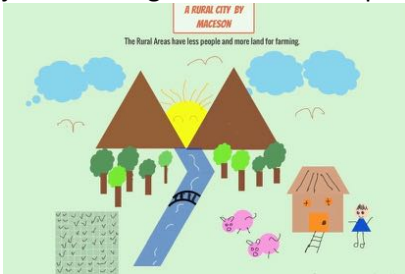
We've completed a month of the 2020-2021 school year! You know what's been happening in your household with your children, but did you know...

OLG has the latest in "surround sound"? It's how to put the students into pairs and teams for group work and still monitor them –



Here's Ms. Casey surrounded by 7 Chromebooks while her 8th grade US Government students worked on Colonial Sales presentations. Check out Ms. Harmuth's science "surround sound" set up!

Did you know that OLG's MAC 2/3 class, using SeeSaw, have shared their many creative projects, assignments and just fun things with Ms. Schirripa?



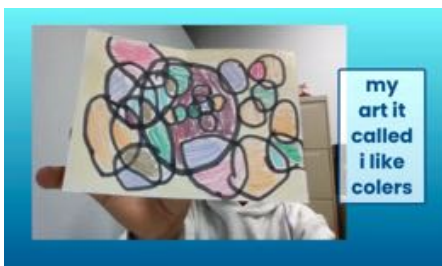
Maceson's Rural City



Daniela's Hail Mary Prayer



Stella's Urban City



Athena's and Ethan's Circle Magnet Art



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Bianca's LEGO house and Shivaan's soon to be released block-buster Movie!



Who knew that learning could be so exciting through a computer screen! Thank you God, for such creative students and teachers!

In God's Peace and as God's Bridge Builders,
S. Janice Therese, O.P.

CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE		
TUES	Sept. 22	11:00 AM - Live Streamed Mass, grades 5-8
WED	Sept 23	11:00 AM - Zoom Mass, grades K-4
FRI	Sept 25	No School - Staff In-Service Day
TUES	Sept 29	12:30 – 4:30PM – Pick up Fundraiser Orders at Staff Room Door This is the only timeframe for order pickups because we don't have refrigerator/freezer space to store your items. If you are not available during these hours, please make arrangements to have someone pick up your order for you.
FRI	Oct 2	Blessing of the Animals (more information in next week's bulletin).

Let us Pray....



for the soul of Jose Gaytan, uncle to Nicholas (gr.1) and Noah (gr.3) Gonzalez;



for members of our school and parish community who are ill;



for Justice and Peace in our world!

Please share any prayer requests you have and we'll place it in our Prayer Corner – the Power of Prayer cannot be underestimated!

IMPORTANT: In-Person Instruction Waiver Application

We are excited to share with you that Alameda County is now offering schools the opportunity to apply for a waiver to allow for in-person instruction for Kinder through 6th grades. The county has asked all schools to submit a readiness questionnaire regardless of their reopening plans. After consultation with our Superintendent, Kathleen Radecke, and Fr. Joy, our Pastor, we have completed the questionnaire and initiated the application waiver process. Alameda County of Education will now determine whether we are approved for the waiver.

Our reopening plan will occur gradually, taking into consideration the needs of our teachers and staff, the needs of our families, and the need to train our children in all the protocols involved with being back on the school site. These protocols include washing hands, keeping social distancing, wearing masks, etc. In our continued efforts of transparency, we will provide updates as they become available from the Alameda County Office of Education and Alameda County Public Health Department.

While the waiver is applicable for grades Kindergarten - 6th, in-person instruction under the waiver will apply only to grades Kinder - 5th due to our departmental program in grades 6th-7th-8th. Should Alameda County permit in-person instruction for grades 6th - 8th in the future, we will provide further guidance on how that may be implemented at Our Lady of Guadalupe School.

When we first shared the draft Reopening document with you in July, we stated that we will support the student's learning for families who do not feel comfortable having their children return to school in person. We are recommitting to this offer. Teachers will provide live instruction from the classroom to children who are learning both in-person and via Zoom. At the end of the school day, teachers will be present until 3:30PM to provide additional assistance or answer questions for children who are learning from home.

To assist us in developing the gradual return to school process, please fill out this Google form by Monday, September 21, to indicate your preference for in-person learning or virtual learning for your child. Your response is needed for us to ensure a smooth transition back to the classroom. LINK: <https://forms.gle/vmXqP9WuPa9V6R1J9>

For students who will return to the classroom, a COVID-19 School Reopening Parent/Guardian document must be signed by the parent/guardian. Please take the time to read this document attached to the Google form, sign it, and **return it to school by September 21.**

On Friday, you will receive via email the updated Reopening Plan, Marching Home II, which we will be submitting to Alameda County.



Service Hour Opportunities

While COVID-19 does not allow for many opportunities to engaging in service for our school, there are some possibilities.

- We have some door jams at school that are in need of some sanding and painting. If you are interested, please contact the school office. We will provide the tools and the paint.
- If you have some time over the weekends and its not too hot and the air is better, please bring weed whackers and garbage bags and gloves to clear away the brush that has grown. You can certainly do this on your own time – not just within any scheduled timing. Weeds, brush, leaves, etc. can be put in our Green bin (but not in bags); trash goes into the white bin.

Though we hope that all families will be able to share their talents, time and treasures with our school community, we are not holding any OLG family to the mandatory service hours stated in the enrollment contract.

Service Hour Reporting

Please remember to report your service hours by completing the Google form located on the Parent page on the school website (olgweb.org on the Parent page).

Don't forget to report the hours you earned for your participation in the Fall Fundraiser. See the Cookie Dough Fundraiser article on the next page for details.

Families can claim 1 Service Hour for each \$10 spent on donations (up to 11 hours for a 2-parent family and up to 10 hours or a 1-parent family). You will need to upload a receipt when reporting donations on the Google form.

Welcome back, Mrs Murray! We've missed you!

What does Mrs. Murray do even before entering the building? Taking care of planting some new growth in our pots!





Thank you for your support of this fundraiser! We've had a great response to the campaign and we are grateful to those who were able to reach out to friends, family and co-workers to help us out. We know that they will enjoy the selections they made.



Now we wait until **Tuesday, September 29th** for delivery of the cookie dough, cheesecakes and other delicious treats to be delivered! Orders can be picked up between 12:30 and 4:30 from the Staff room door at the school (right next to the double glass entrance doors).



For every 5 items sold:

Families will earn **one service hour for every 5 items sold** from the catalog. Don't forget to enter the service hours earned in the form at olgweb.org on the Parent page.

Students will receive a Light-up Spinning Top.

Students in grades 6 & 7 will earn **one service hour for every 5 items sold** from the catalog to use towards the Presidents Volunteer Service Awards.

Eighth graders will earn **one service hour for every 5 items sold** from the catalog to use towards the Presidents Volunteer Service Awards and their graduation service hours.



For every 10 items sold from the catalog your family will receive one free item!! Please note which item(s) you wish to receive at the bottom of the order form.



For every 10 items sold from the catalog, students will receive a sealed Mystery Money Envelope with an amount of either \$2, \$5, \$10, or \$20. One envelope will have \$50 in it.

Special Bonus Prize From Mr. Sam!

Three students will win the opportunity to spend a day at Mr. Sam's farm. The "top seller" at each of the 3 grade "levels" (K-1-2, 3-4-5, 6-7-8) will be announced by Mr. Sam via video next week!

