



Our Lady of Lourdes School Parent Newsletter

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November is a month in which we *Give Thanks to Our Lord and Praise His Blessings*

The Thanksgiving tradition is an annual celebration held after the harvest began around 1621 when the Pilgrims fulfilled a successful and bountiful harvest in the New World. American Thanksgiving is celebrated on the 4th Thursday of November, occurring this year on the 24th.



OLL Parents/Guardians: Ways You Can Get Involved!

Box Tops for Education: Every time you buy a participating product with a "Box Tops" label on the package, simply clip the label and bring them to the school. Please submit all labels to Ms. Acosta. Each label can earn the school 10 cents! Visit the link below for the list of participating products and to get coupons on your favorite foods!

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/clip/Brands.aspx>

Capri Sun Drink Brigade: You can submit all empty aluminum drink pouches, each worth 2 cents! Please submit all drink pouches to Ms. Acosta. Visit the link below for more information!

<http://www.terracycle.net/en-US/>

- To all OLL parents and students who brought in an apple for our Apple Pie!
- To Ms. Cespedes, Ms. Polanco, Ms. Pablo, and 8th graders for all of their help with our OLL apple pie!
- To the father of Gabriella C. (Grade 8) for donating boxes for our OLL food drive!
- To our friends at JP Morgan for hosting a Fall fundraiser for OLL!

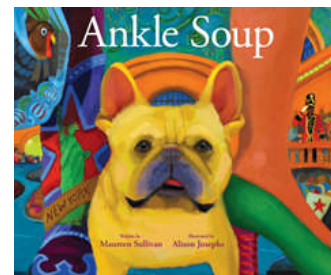
OLL Thanksgiving Food Drive: How you can help!

OLL's Student Council and the 8th grade are organizing the annual OLL Thanksgiving food drive! Please bring in the items listed in the sheet enclosed in the November parent packet between the dates of **Monday, November 7 and Thursday, November 17, 2011.**

Last year, under the guidance of Ms. Pablo, members of the Student Council, and the 8th grade, OLL donated over 600 pounds of canned goods to City Harvest and an additional 500 pounds to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. Let's keep this tradition going!

We share because we care!

November's Book of The Month:
*..in keeping with the Thanksgiving spirit,
we choose...*



Ankle Soup tells the story of a French Bulldog, Carlos, who finds himself in Grand Central Terminal on Thanksgiving day. Enjoy Carlos' ankle-high experience of this cherished holiday!

Recipe Reference: No Bake Pumpkin Cheesecake!
Reminder: Parent Supervision is Necessary!

Ingredients:

1 package (8 oz.) PHILADELPHIA Cream Cheese, softened;
 1 cup canned pumpkin; 1/2 cup sugar; 1/2 tsp. pumpkin pie
 spice; 1 tub (8 oz.) COOL WHIP topping, thawed, divided; 1
 HONEY MAID Graham Pie crust (6 oz.).



Directions:

1. Beat the cream cheese, pumpkin, sugar and pumpkin pie spice with electric mixer on medium speed until well blended.
2. Gently stir in 2-1/2 cups of the whipped topping. Cover and refrigerate remaining whipped topping for later use.
3. Spoon cream cheese mixture into crust.
4. Refrigerate 3 hours or overnight. Serve topped with remaining whipped cream topping. Store leftover cheesecake in refrigerator.

Recipe courtesy of: <http://www.Kraftrecipes.com>

In Honor of Our Book of the Month, OLL Makes an Apple Pie!

In its 2 years, the OLL book of the Month model has fostered collaboration and interdisciplinary investigation among all teachers and classes. The model was started to advance our school wide movement for literacy focused learning across the curriculum. In honor of October's book of the month, *How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World*", OLL baked many apple pies! Special thanks to all parents for sending apples! Please enjoy this picture of Jeremy (Pre-K4) and Brandin (Pre-K4) partaking in the apple pie festivities! View more pictures by visiting the link below:



<http://www.ourladyoflourdesschool.net/photogallery.html>

Important Dates in November

- 11.1: All Saint Day Mass at 8:45 a.m. hosted by grades 6 and 3
- 11.4: TACHS exam for grade 8. Good luck! Girls: St. Jean; Boys: Cardinal Hayes
12:00 dismissal-Faculty Meeting
- 11.7: Student of the Month Assembly. Thanksgiving Food Drive begins
- 11.10: School Closed—Archdiocese Religion Conference Day
- 11.11: Veterans Day. School Closed.
- 11.17: Food Drive ends
- 11.18: Casual Dress Day
- 11.22: Thanksgiving Liturgy at 8:45 a.m. hosted by grades 1 and 8
Parent/Teacher Conference from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and 4:00-7:00 p.m.
- 11.23-11.27: Thanksgiving recess; school closed.
- 11.28: School Resumes
- 11.29: 1st quarter Honors Assembly/Student of the Month at 8:00 a.m. in the auditorium



**September Students
of the Month!**

Pre-K3

Dhruv Chaudhary
 Amelia Richards

Pre-K4

Jeremy Cabrera
 Brandin Gerlin

K-1

Michael Guerrero
 Chelsea Chacon

K-2

Genesis Jimenez
 Cinaya Ruiz

Grade 1

Randy Heredia
 Meena Hernandez

Grade 2

Cheyenne Nicoleau
 Nigel Bernard

Grade 3

Vanessa Rivas
 Matthew Bulatt

Grade 4-1

Janell Johnson
 Stephanie Gutierrez

Grade 4-2

Jay'Den Hunter
 Justin Mota

Grade 5

Carvens Lespinasse
 Monserrate Cepeda

Grade 6

Nabel Cespedes
 Charles Molina

Grade 7

Josiah De La Hoz
 Emily Coste

Grade 8

Jada Scott
 Bria Lemon-Johnson