



Parent Org News

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WHAT IS THE PARENT ORG (PO)?

It's ALL of YOU!

P.O. stands for Parent Organization! *Simply being an OLG family makes you part of the Parent Organization (PO)!* Officially, we are a group of committed parents who love to be involved with our children's school and enjoy working together for the greater good of our school and education of the students.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 25: 8th Grade Musical 'Annie'
- April 27: Day of Service
- May 3: Noon dismissal
- May 9: New Family Night
- May 14: Parent Org Meeting
- May 15: Spring Concert
- May 17: Spring Family Bingo Night
- May 18: Kamayan Feast
- May 24: Field Day & Picnic
- June 5: Graduation

Loop the 'Lupe: June 8th

Obstacle course 5k fun run at Walt Hundley Playfield on Saturday, June 8th.

- Even our youngest bulldogs (ages 1-8) can participate in a 1k youth dash or run the whole 5k.
- There's a mud pit, wall climb, squirt gun alley and more!
- All proceeds benefit OLG Parish.
- Sign-up to RUN or VOLUNTEER!

2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR

Looking for ways to be involved in our school community next year? Let's get a head start on planning for next year by committing to a volunteer position now.

None of these roles are required to be filled by just one person. Grab a buddy and fill a role together! That way you can fulfill your hours AND create community. Win-win!

BONUS: Anyone committing to one of the leadership roles below by May 1st will receive 5 EXTRA hours!

- Parent Org Co-Chair
- Parent Org Co-Treasurer (in-training)
- Parent Org Secretary
- Parent Org Communications Chair- **NEW!**
- Community Events Chair- **NEW!**
- Staff Appreciation Chair
- Commitment Hours Chair
- Spirit Wear Chair
- Classroom Coordinator (for each grade)

P.O. Meeting Highlights

April

Principal Report

- Father Kevin has a long recovery ahead of him. His speech is improving. Rehab will start soon and there will be substitute priests in the short term.
- The new pastor and vicar are wonderful, very connected men.
- New school calendar for 2024/25 has been approved and will be up soon. (Sent home in last week's FCE)
- There is a bunch of interest in the school and many tours happening for potential new students.
- Loop the Lupe volunteering has been approved to count towards hours for this school year.

Treasurer Report

- Voted to make a \$100K payment to the school.
- P.O. has officially fully-funded the school with the annual required \$125K payment!
- We also have a healthy P.O. budget to start next year!

New Business

- **Loop the Lupe (June 8th):**
 - This is the 8th year of this event
 - It is the parish's biggest external annual fundraiser of the year (more than 700 participants last year).
 - This event helps to unify the parish and school.
 - The parish is asking the school to encourage families to participate, volunteer to help and spread the word to other folks in the community.
 - Down the road, the parish is looking for the school to take more ownership of the event and potentially own/manage a portion, like the Beer Garden.
 - A suggestion was made to post the event on the individual classroom FB pages to ensure as many parents as possible are aware.
- **Bingo Night (Fri, May 17th, 6-8pm):**
 - Will be a fun-raiser, rather than fundraiser this year.
 - \$20 Pay at the Door (School Hall)
 - Cash bake sale/pizza slices and everyone is welcome (all ages).

Please Join Us at Our Next Meeting! All Are Welcome!
Tues, May 14, 2024 @ 6:30pm (Gym Stage)

Looking Ahead

NEW Ideas for Next Year!

We started brainstorming new ideas for next year:

- Baking competition where the goods made are sold to raise money.
- School movie night with concessions
- Secure a partnership with restaurant (like Tutta Bella or Mod Pizza) where one night they donate a percentage of the proceeds made to OLG.
- A "dine-out coordinator" role was suggested to lead and manage this effort for the school.
- Classroom rep should attend the PO meetings and encourage others to attend to facilitate better idea generation and volunteer involvement.
- Bulldog Costume - Suggestion to buy a bulldog costume so that our mascot can represent at school events.

THIS IS OUR FINAL PO NEWSLETTER FOR 2023-24

Thank you for letting us represent you, as OLG parents, for this past year! There is still more work to be done, but we are excited for next year's leadership to continue making positive contributions to our beloved OLG community!

2023-24 PO Co-Chairs

Robyn Campbell
Parent to 6th/2nd

Clare Moffat
Parent to 3rd/K

Let's Celebrate!

The Parent Org had a banner year:

- Fundraisers breaking past year's numbers
- New ideas successfully transpired
- Fully funding our \$125K commitment to the school
- Solid financial base to start out strong next year

THANK YOU!

You ALL have made this possible with your combined leadership, volunteering, financial donations and overall support!

Come celebrate with us at next month's PO meeting! We'll have refreshments and treats as we mingle and raise a glass to all of these successes. Please Join Us! All are welcome!

Did you know?

Attending the PO Meeting counts toward your hours! Bring your creativity and ideas to help us plan next year's fun!



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