



We Walk By Faith

Dear OLPH Families,

This Wednesday is the end of the first quarter. As we look forward to a well-deserved fall break, I am filled with gratitude. Each day our school building is filled with dedicated and gifted students, faculty, staff and parents who unite to build God's kingdom within our school community. **We celebrate academics** as we once again rank in the top 95th percentile in the state on the ISTEP+ test. **We celebrate faith** in the many opportunities for prayer, mass and spiritual growth that all of us enjoy daily. **We celebrate service** as we reach out to others less fortunate.

Our annual school **Walk-a-thon** is Friday, October 30 following the all-school mass at 8:00 a.m. This day unites the school community in fellowship, food, fun and fund-raising. **One hundred percent** of all money donated goes directly to the school.

The fall season is great timing for the walk but **not great timing** for asking for money. We've had PTO and eighth grade fund-raising as well as the parish Tent Event all packed into a short time span. Please bear with us for this final major fundraiser of the year. Last year we made a commitment to **not raise tuition** for this school year. The Walk-a-thon helps us to continue to provide excellence in education while keeping tuition costs reasonable. Unlike tuition, donations to the school walk-a-thon are **tax deductible AND** we can **ask others** to help join our cause. We invite you to reach out to family and friends to help support our school and your children's education.

I hope that many of you can join us on October 30. The Walk-a-thon packet containing all important details will be sent home on Friday with students in K-4 and Monday with students in grades 5-8. **We Walk by Faith** as we ask for continued blessings on our school community.

In Christ's service,
Terry Horton

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Building the Kingdom with Kindness:

Student monthly winners:

Harrison Kane, Abby Braun, Sami Mayrose,
Lydia Rush, Maria Popson, Lauren Glover,
Juston Betz, Ross Lewis, Kyle Didat
Max Segoviano

Faculty monthly winners:

Mrs Hammond, Mrs Woods,
Mrs Martin, Mrs Parr

Welcome to our new computer teacher!

Please welcome our new computer/technology teacher. Mrs. Jessica Koeppel is an experienced classroom teacher who is completing her technology endorsement at IUS. She has many exciting projects for our students in kindergarten through grade 8. Her email address is jkoeppel@olphna.org.

Box Tops Classroom Contest Deadline:
Oct 20

Family Night at the Bookfair!
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Turn in old, used ink cartridges to the school office for recycling. We have almost collected enough to purchase a document camera.

Happy Birthday to...

October 14—October 27

**Morgan Day, Grace Riely, Allie Wade
Megan Murphy, Ryan Day, Madi Niemann
Lily Bivens, William Smith**

H1N1 Update: This week a number of our students have been absent with flu-like symptoms. We follow the advice given by our local public health department, and this advice continues to change as more information becomes available. The Floyd County Health Department is currently advising that only students experiencing flu-like symptoms (fever and cough) should stay home from school. Previously they recommended that all siblings stay home, but they are no longer recommending this. Students who are free of fever and cough without the help of medications may return to school. We continue to wash hands, water fountains, desks, computer keyboards, etc. and send sick students home. Parents will be notified as soon as we receive word about vaccinations for our students.

♪ CHILDREN'S CHOIR !♪

Thanks to all who sang for the Tent Event last Saturday! Everyone did a great job! The choir will take a break for two weeks and resume practices on **Tuesday, October 20, from 3:00-4:00 in church.** The children will be singing at the parish mission on Nov 8. **Please turn your red binders in at the school office sometime this week.** Contact Katelyn Walker, Director of Liturgical Music Ministries 944-1184, ext. 28, or kwalker@olphna.org

Calendar

Wed	Oct 14	End of 1st Quarter
W-F	Oct 14-16	Scholastic Book Fair Family Night at the Book Fair!!
Thurs	Oct 15	Market Day orders due
Mon	Oct 19	No Homework Haven Educational Apparel / 2:50-6pm / café Parent Teacher Conferences in p.m.
Tues	Oct 20	No Homework Haven ISTEP+ recognition and Kiss a Pig results / 2pm / gym End of Box Tops Classroom Contest Market Day pickup Parent Teacher Conferences in p.m.
Wed	Oct 21	Parent Teacher Conferences/no school
Th-F	Oct 22-23	Fall Break
Thurs	Oct 29	Charlotte's Web / K-4 / 8:15 / gym
Fri	Oct 30	Walk-a-thon—Dismissal at 1:30pm
Sun	Nov 1	FALL BACK!! Change time.
Mon	Nov 2	Picture re-takes

COATS AND JACKETS are needed for the community's less fortunate who don't have any for the upcoming winter. These items will be distributed to those in need by New Albany's Tri-County Health Coalition which helps the poor in many ways. You can drop off your coats and jackets during the **morning drop-off line** at OLPH School the two mornings before fall break, **Monday October 19th and Tuesday, October 20th.** You can also drop them off at OLPH Church at 9am and 11am Masses on Sunday, October 18th and Sunday, October 24th. If you have questions, please contact Vicki McCombs at 945-4208.

Picture Retakes



Picture retakes are scheduled for Monday, Nov 2. If your child needs retakes or was missing on picture day, please email the office and an order form will be sent home by the end of the month. If your child is having a retake done, remember to return the original pictures to the office at any time before Nov 2.

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Destination Book Fair: Around the World

October 14-16

Check out our new Book Fair webpage at

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/olphna>

Volunteers needed for set up, teacher preview, classroom visits, family night and clean-up. Volunteers receive a FREE book. There will be a display in the Kindergarten hallway featuring vacation photos of all of our students. Send in photos of your family vacations to Christy Tindall.

Attention Book Fair Goers

Come have a **tail-wagging** good time with Zoe, the Border collie who loves to read, at the OLPH Book Fair Oct. 14th, 15th, and 16th. Zoe will be making special appearances at OLPH on these days to encourage children to keep on reading. But, don't **howl** at the moon if you happen to miss her when your class visits because, she will be "**woofing**" it up at Family Night on Oct. 14th from 2:30-4:30pm and Family shopping, Oct. 15th from 2:30-3:30pm.

Zoe gives reading a 5 star WOOF!!!!

Congratulations to Rachel Shipton and Hannah Joly! Their Planet Dance All Star Team received first place in the junior pom division at the Jamfest Championship held this past weekend in Louisville, Kentucky. In addition, their team was awarded the title of "Grand Champion" within the entire junior division of the competition.



Congratulations to Juston Betz in winning the 5th/6th grade boys Louisville Catholic School Cross-Country Championship in his division! The 5th/6th grade deanery boys team took 2nd place overall in the same competition. Way to go!!



SCRIP: Thanks to all of you who continue to use your reloadable Kroger cards. OLPH School as earned over \$7,800 since May 1, 2009 from Kroger. This money is used to lower the cost of tuition for all students. Cards are available in the school office. If you have questions, please contact Amy Braun at timandamyb@insightbb.com or 944-1350. The following Mondays are the order dates for Scrip through December.

2009 SCRIP order dates

November 2, 16 and 30

December 14 (only Dec. date. Order for Christmas gifts and travel).

We Need YOU!

Please check the volunteer schedule on the school website under "school lunches". We need 3 volunteers a day to keep the café running smoothly. 10:30-12:30pm. See your kiddo and enjoy a FREE lunch at the same time.

Contact Sandy Gilland at 944-7676 ext 15 to sign up to fill one of the available dates.

Thank YOU!

NA-FC Public Library: **Diary of a Wimpy Kid Book Discussion.** Saturday, Oct 17 at 11am. FREE—no registration required. For kids in 3rd grade and up. Join in to discuss the books and create your own journal. **Family Storytime.** Saturday, Oct 24 at 10am. FREE—no registration required. For all ages. 180 West Spring Street, NA * 944-8464

Saint Meinrad Retreat: **Forgive Us as We Forgive:** October 23-25. Br Zachary Wilberding, OSB. Jesus taught us to seek the Father's forgiveness in the same measure in which we forgive. Life can sometimes feel like a daily barrage of insults and assaults. The retreat explores how we keep our covenant of forgiveness with the Lord. Register at www.saintmeinrad.edu.

Jr Jazzercise: **Halloween Party.** October 23, 7-9pm Wear your costume! Ages 5-10, \$9/child (\$8/sibling). 246-1464.