

January 2024 Newsletter

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Elementary School



Superintendent Mr. Joseph Zaroda

Principal Mr. Chris Boyer

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Principals Message

As we begin a New Year, I truly hope that everyone's time spent celebrating the birth of our savior was a memorable one and that you were able to use the time to slow down and reflect on the year past and prepare for the new challenges that are in front of us. We ended 2023 with a lot of excitement and compassion as we hosted a very successful Christmas Concert and participated in the 12 Days of Christmas collection for the personal products bank of the St. Vincent De Paul Society at St. Michael's Church. Our Grade 7 and 8 classes also hosted a very successful Pasta Dinner in support of their School Trip to Camp Medeba. All these events can't take place without the entire school community, Students, Staff and Family members. Thank you to everyone!

Catholic School Council

The Catholic School Council continues to work hard behind the scenes and are always looking for help to enhance and support the goals for the school. Council meets formally 4-5 times a year but are called upon to help with activities such as Bingo, Movie Nights, Fun Fairs and others. Please consider taking part in whatever capacity you can.

Please follow our Parent Council Social Media account on Instagram at [olvwolves_csc](https://www.instagram.com/olvwolves_csc)



Through the hard work and funds raised through the Bingo Charity program we are lucky enough to provide all of our students with the opportunity to work with professional artists from the Niagara Falls Art Gallery this month, to produce unique pieces of Art that connects with the curriculum.

Niagara  Region

Follow the [link](#) for important information for families from Niagara Region Public Health.

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Bell Times 2023-2024

Entry Bell - 9:00 am

Morning Recess

- 10:30 am – 10:45 am

Lunch - outside

- 11:45 am – 12:05 am

Lunch - eat inside

- 12:05 pm – 12:25 pm

Afternoon Recess

- 1:25 pm – 1:40 pm

Dismissal – 3:10 pm

One of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely to school each day. School Messenger allows parents to report their child's absence quickly and conveniently using a mobile app, a website, or an interactive toll-free phone line to report an absence, late arrival or early departure, in advance. This time savings makes it faster and more efficient to account for all students and their safety. If your student is marked absent and the absence hasn't been explained in advance, our Safe Arrival system will be able to rapidly contact you by automated phone call, text message, email, or mobile app push notification to get a reason for the absence. Calls and contacts will continue until you choose an option to explain the absence.



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PAYMENT FOR SPECIALTY LUNCHES & ACTIVITIES

Parents are asked to sign up for our convenient payment program-SCHOOLCASHONLINE. This is an excellent way to pay for student activities without sending money to school.

To register, please go to:

<https://ncdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>



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Reflection

Our theme this school year is "Called by Name: Hear My Voice." And while our theme is about God's call to us, it should also serve as a reminder of our call to Him. Each day God says to us, "let me hear your voice; for your voice is sweet" (Song of Solomon 2:14). God doesn't want to talk at us; He wants to have a conversation with us. Have you given Him the pleasure of hearing your voice yet today?

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