

## Our Lady of Grace Catholic School

Expanding Minds

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#### Calendar Links



#### 2022-2023 Calendar



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Sept. 28 Picture Day Sept. 29 PTO Skatin' Place







#### **Behavior Expectations**

We are seeing an increase in students hitting, pushing, and kicking other students when they have a conflict. This is not acceptable for any reason at Our Lady of Grace. It is not self defense to hit someone back. It is retaliation, and therefore wrong. All these behaviors will receive the same discipline whether the student strikes first or second.

*September 23, 2022* 

No violence is allowed at school. If a student is faced with a situation where another student shows violence toward him/her, they should tell the adult in charge. It will be addressed immediately. Only the student(s) who broke the rules will be disciplined. Consequences for violent behavior are: line recess(K-2), points, detentions, suspension, and expulsion depending on the severity of the incident.

All students, faculty, and staff deserve to come to a place where they feel safe physically and emotionally. Daily announcement reminders of the expected positive behaviors are happening in the classroom and school wide. Please speak to your child about this, and encourage them to make good choices. If we all work together, we will help our students learn right from wrong and keep everyone safe.

#### Northwest Busing

#### Per Northwest:

Weekly Bulletin

Information will be updated every Friday by 5 PM for the following week. We will make every effort not to cancel specific routes for multiple days. You can find information from Northwest Transportation on our website at <u>www.olgcs.org</u>.

\*Please note: any additional changes that may take place regarding bus cancellations will be communicated by NWLSD by 6 AM each morning. \*The OLG staff does not make cancellation decisions. All questions should be directed to NWLSD transportation department at 513-825-4600.



#### The Spirit of Caring!

Every September, I find myself reflecting on the unspeakable tragedy that took place on the morning of Sept. 11, 2001 - the day the World Trade Center towers fell, the Pentagon burned, a plane meant for DC crashed in a field in Pennsylvania, and almost 3,000 people died at the hand of terrorists. Not knowing the extent to the terrorist activity, hundreds of aircraft carrying thousands of passengers were ordered to immediately land. When the United States shut down its airspace, tiny *Gander International Airport* in Newfoundland opened its runways, taking in 38 wide-body planes on transatlantic routes. As Sept. 11 reminds America of the unfiltered evil in our world, it's also necessary to remind ourselves of the human capacity for kindness, selflessness and generosity of people helping people that day and beyond.

The people of Gander, Newfoundland - a town of no more than 10,000, looked at all those planes lined up at the airport and they didn't think of terrorism, didn't see potential attacks. *They just wanted to help*. And it was a challenge for this tiny town. The city didn't have hotels or restaurants to take in the nearly 7,000 passengers, and the community knew that the people from more than 100 countries stuck on those planes were mothers, fathers, daughters, sons, grandmothers. Just like the Newfoundlanders were. The people of Gander and surrounding fishing villages filled their schools, community rooms and churches with cots for stranded passengers. The town's bus drivers, who were on strike that day, walked off their picket



lines and went back to work. Bakeries went into overdrive production, hospitals staffed up, and many of the townspeople opened their homes and offered their beds to the "plane people." They found a way to care for the 17 dogs and cats and the two great apes that were also aboard the planes. There, on a Canadian island of green hills and rocky coasts, humans were at their best.



Scene from the Broadway musical COME FROM AWAY

Elliott recalled. Elementary schools were converted into makeshift dormitories. Volunteers from the Salvation Army and the Red Cross made lunches, and the hockey rink became a walk-in refrigerator. Other logistical problems were trickier. "We ran out of underwear," Elliott said, so more was trucked in from St. John's, two hundred and seven miles away. "We started off with seven thousand strangers," Elliott said, "but we finished with seven thousand family members." The arrival of the plane people, nearly doubled the town's population. "I didn't go home for five days," Mayor Claude Elliot recalls. None of the townspeople would accept money. So, after the passengers were finally able to re-board their

planes, Shirley Brooks-Jones, a longtime fundraiser at Ohio State University, had a midair idea. She passed around a notebook and asked each of the passengers to contribute to a scholarship fund for the children of Gander. They had \$15,000 when they landed. Brooks-Jones did this for a living. So she helped turn that into more money – a scholarship fund that as now grown to about \$2 million. There were 28 scholarships just this past year. Brooks-Jones has returned to Newfoundland 26 times and often meets with students who got the scholarships, including one who is now a town doctor.

"9/11 will live long in memory as a day of terror and grief," said then-Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chrétien, "But thanks to the countless acts of kindness and compassion done for those stranded visitors here in Gander and right across Canada, it will live forever in memory as a day of comfort and of healing." The Broadway musical COME FROM AWAY tells the story of the town of Gander and its caring people and will soon be a major motion picture.



Most of us still have vivid memories of the horror of that day. We relive the fear those terrorists instilled in our society every time we take off our shoes at the airport, go through a metal detector at a museum or maneuver past ugly concrete posts. But let's also consider the incredible acts of bravery we witnessed that day. And the days that humans were at their best in a small town in Newfoundland.

Blessings, Mark Friedman, CRE / OLG

Left: Retired firefighter Bob Beckwith with a piece of steel from the World Trade Center being sent to Gander, Newfoundland, to thank the town for its help.

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Wednesday, September 28, 2022 Our Lady Of Grace











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#### MEET US AT THE PLACE

#### DATE: THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH TIME: 6-8:30 COST: \$7.00 PER SKATER INCLUDES RENTAL OR... \$21 PER PERSON - INCLUDES ROLLER SKATING WITH RENTAL, LASER TAG, BUMPER CARS, CLIMBING WALLS, ROPES COURSE AND UNLIMITED PIZZA AND DRINK! BRING THE FAMILY! (YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISING YOUR PARTY - PLEASE BE

RESPECTFUL OF THE PLACE AND THEIR RULES SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO ENJOY THIS GREAT DEAL AND FUN TIME AS AN OLG FAMILY)



Please use the following link to sign up for Room Parent duties for your child's classroom: https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10c0d49aca82ca4fa7-room

As a reminder, every person in a position which requires contact or interaction with youth or vulnerable adults must complete the **SafeParish™** edition of Protecting Children from Sexual Abuse training session before they are permitted to work or volunteer within any of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati parishes, schools, or institutions. No one under the age of 18 is permitted to complete the training. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for information on Safe Parish.



Out of Uniform passes are again for sale by your PTO. Once a month passes are available for \$25, covering 6 months (October thru March). Individual day passes are also available for \$5. Check out this link for more information and specifics.

Click here for more information: https://out-of-uniform-pass-2022-23.cheddarup.com

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# Does your child qualify for the School Meals Program? If so, your family may qualify for free health coverage!



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