

OLPH School News for October, 2018



KIDS ON THE BLOCK

Chattanooga Kids on the block paid us a visit this month. This special group of puppeteers had the rapt attention of our Kindergarten through 5th grade students as they delivered their entertaining and important messages on (K) Stranger Danger, Area Codes and Emergency Plans, (1st) Healthy snacking and being active, (2nd) Physical and Learning Differences, (3rd) Physical and Sexual Abuse Prevention, (4th) Self Esteem, and (5th) Prescription Drugs, Alcohol & Tobacco Awareness and Mental Health.



LIVING ROSARY

The much-loved tradition of the living Rosary was held on the first Friday after returning from fall break. The Rosary, in this case, is made of selected Pre-K through 8th grade students, with each representing a bead to embody the Rosary. A wireless microphone was passed around the human chain, with each student leading the prayer associated with his or her position in the Rosary. Parents and Grandparents joined with all the students and teachers in this very special prayer to ask Our Lady of Perpetual Help to intercede for us.

VIRTUE OF THE MONTH

Virtue of the Month of October was Goodness: The selfless desire to be open-hearted and generous to others above what they deserve.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our wonderful parents acted as substitute teachers for a day to allow our teachers to get in some Professional Development hours on Project Based Learning. Funded by Hamilton County Title II, the workshop gave the staff resources and practical strategies for implementing PBL in the classroom.



TRUNK OR TREAT

Halloween Fun was in great supply at our most recent Trunk of Treat. The very popular event returned this year with some new additions that included a pumpkin carving contest and haunted garden in the outdoor classroom. In addition to our own families, our Home and School hosts always welcome children from the surrounding neighborhood and other friends.



BLESSING OF THE PETS

Our students and families look forward to the Feast of St. Francis as a time to combine their faith and their love for the non-human members of the household. Some parishioners joined us as well for this traditional blessing of the pets.



7TH GRADE ROLLS OUT THE MEALS

7th grade took their turn at service at the J.A. Henry Community YMCA Center, preparing lunches and snacks for area students who often do not find food at home when they return from school at the end of the day