



In your OLS Catholic School Library, Fall 2019

Welcome back to school from Mrs. Sullivan, your School Librarian, & Miss Kinnaird, your Library Aide.
Here's what's coming up....

***New Student library orientation** for grades 2-8 will take place in small groups Aug. 13 & 14.
(WeeK 4's - Gr. 1 will have orientation as whole class during week of Aug. 19.)

Aug. 15 All students in 3rd - 8th grade may begin checking out books.

Gr. 1&2 checkouts open after first Library Specials lesson.

Gr. K checkouts open after 2nd Library Specials lesson (Aug. 23.)

Week 4's have library storytime first semester and we add checkouts starting in Jan.

Aug. 16th Calling all **Parent Library Volunteers!** Our **ONLY meeting takes place on this date** from 8:00am- 8:40am (after my carpool duty). Please join us in the library. We'll answer all questions and, if you sign up, you can pick your schedule (Once a month? Twice a month? Times are flexible!)

Aug. 19 Library Specials lessons begin (when I teach each homeroom.)

I teach WeeK-4Mc + all K/1st/2nd/3rd grade classes each week

I teach WeeK-V + all 4th/5th/6th/7th/8th classes each month.

Sept. 3-8 We host our annual Catholic Book Fair, JClub. Peruse samples here and place your orders online or via the order form we'll send home. Look for details in late August.

Sept. 6th The annual GrandPals Day Reception takes place in the library with thanks to our PTO!

Did you know....

- Most everything our library has to offer, including the entire catalog and info about our special events, can be found by visiting the library **homepage** at <https://olsschoollibrary.weebly.com/> .
- Student timeframes for library book loans are:
 - 1st grade: one book at a time (then two in 2nd semester), due within 7 days.
 - 2nd grade: choice of one or two books at a time, due within 7 days.
 - 3rd-8th grades: choice of one to three books at a time, due within 14 days.*Want to keep the book longer?* Student just brings it to library to "renew" the checkout!
- The card inside the back cover of students' library book shows when it's due.
- I encourage students to always keep their school library book in their book bag whenever they're not reading it. Then it's always at school if they decide to renew or return it (they're welcome to do so any day of the week.)
- Any **overdue** book on a student record **blocks** further checkouts by that student, until the overdue is returned. No monetary fines accrue for overdues.
- Once a week, I provide a list of reminders about overdue books to each homeroom so the teacher can remind those students that they have "library homework."
- Each quarter, bills go home for books assumed LOST (after many weeks of reminders.) Parents are welcome to send me a note explaining that they are helping search for the missing book, then we can un-block your student's library record to allow 1 checkout at a time until the lost book is found or paid.

I'm eager for our students to visit our library & help these books start flying off the shelves!