

## Our Lady of Perpetual Help School 235 Poplar Street Kamloops, B.C. V2B 4B9

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: The New BC Curriculum and OLPH School

It goes without question that your child's education at OLPH School, both in and out of the classroom, is of the utmost importance. With our faith guiding us, we continue to strive for new knowledge and innovative methods of instruction that will benefit your child.

As you may know, the Ministry of Education announced a new K-9 Education curriculum that is to be implemented in the 2016-2017 school year. This new and engaging curriculum focuses on personalized and individual learning. Over the last few years, the staff of OLPH School have committed themselves to several professional development days focused on a number of topics including differentiated instruction, formative assessment strategies, the recent creation of Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) as well as increased use of technology in the classroom. In an effort to ensure our success, we will be meeting as staff teams on a weekly basis to begin the process of what our new curriculum will look like in our respective classrooms as well as reviewing data driven assessments. We will be beginning our first PLC this coming Wednesday with our intermediate classroom teachers at 8:00am - 9:00am to explore the new learning outcomes as well as how we can improve student achievement. Plans are already in place for the supervision and duties of our students. These initiatives will not interrupt the regular classroom schedule at this time; however, I wish to thank the staff for their dedication and commitment to our students' education with their proposed timetable in establishing these regular meetings.

I look forward to you all joining with us as we discover how we can develop the whole child at OLPH School!

Sincerely,

Christopher Yuen Principal