

# The 2012 OLM Knowledge Bowl Team First Victory!

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For the first time in the history of Our Lady of Mercy School, KB Coach Ms. Beth Freire prepared the **Knowledge Bowl team** for its first-ever skirmish at EARJ to prepare for the real competition in March of 2012!

OLM students Nicholas Reed Alexander, Matheus Vasconcelos, Jonas Castro, Maria Claudia Nunes and Luisa Osório were warmly received by the EARJ KB

coordinator Chris Corniola and the EARJ students who graciously broke the ice with Coke and pizza all around prior to the match.

Expectation and anxiety ran high among our students who had no winning expectations. The majority of the challenge questions centered on cultural, historical, geographical, political, and literary knowledge, which caught both the math and science-oriented OLM and EARJ teams by surprise. Nevertheless, OLM showed better overall knowledge and took the competition!

Students from both schools hope OLM can host the next skirmish in the second semester! Students of both teams played like pros and showed exemplary, outstanding sportsmanship. Congratulations to the our OLM winners! You have seriously put OLM on the Knowledge Bowl map!



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