St. Francis de Sales Catholic School

Wednesday Newsletter

September 26, 2018

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!

From all reports, this year's carnival was the best one yet! It was so wonderful to see the parish and extended community enjoying each other. The food is always a treat. The carnival committee works all year long to make the weekend come together. We are very grateful for their time and commitment to this important fundraiser.

I would like to congratulate the new student officers and representatives that make up our student council. They were inducted after a school Mass last week. Younger students look to them as role models and leaders.

President-Harrison Duncan
Vice President-Heather Sanchez-Leyva
Secretary-Luke MacDonald
Treasurer-Minh Tran
Lilly Stevenson, 7th
Nick Ketcham, 7th
Shannon Padilla, 6th
Sebastian Learn, 6th
Elli Noojin, 5th
Rogan Perunko, 5th

Reminders

- At Back to School Night each family received a packet that included several forms that need to be filled out and returned to school. Please return to school no later than October 4th so that we can update your information. (The parent surveys are important for us to secure needed funding.)
- We have before school child care available this year. There are plenty of openings. Please see the school website for the registration and health forms. Students must be registered and there is a fee for this service from 7:00 am-8:00am. Students not registered may not come inside with before care due to State of Maryland Licensing of the program and will not be supervised by school outside until 7:50 am.
- Tuesday, October 9th-7th grade parent meeting, 5:30 pm
- Tuesday, October 9th-8th grade parent meeting, 6:00 pm
- Proofs of school photos have gone home with students this week. Please return the proofs along with your order to your homeroom teacher by October 5th.
- We are excited to share with you that we are going to have Lego Club this year for any 1st and 2nd grade students that want to attend!! Lego Club is an informal club designed for the kids to have fun, be creative, and play with Legos!! It will be held one Monday per month. We are scheduling around other activities at the school and will communicate by email which Monday Lego Club will be every month as

soon as we know:) The first meeting for Lego Club will be Monday October 22nd. It will start at 3:10 right after dismissal. The meeting will take place in the computer lab. If you want to, feel free to pack your child a quick snack they can eat right after school. Pickup will be at 4:00 outside the computer lab. If your child is registered in aftercare, they are still welcome to come!! You will just need to communicate with your child's teacher that they will be going to Lego Club. Your child will be returned to aftercare after the meeting.

Joyfully,

Mrs. Traum

Musical Notes:

Today, September 26th we will have our first band interest meeting. There will be some instruments there for students to check out too. I'm doing this in a more open house style so the band room isn't jam packed during this time. Please feel free to stop by anytime between 3:30-5 if you are unsure of your instrument. If you are a returning member, this meeting is not required, and email will follow with instrument assignments. Also, if you haven't done so already, please fill out THIS Google Form (one per student is best).

Home and School Association

Designer Purse/Cash Bingo

Who doesn't love designer bags? Or cold hard cash? A night of 20 regular games with a chance of winning designer handbags or cash, with 2 specials games thrown in is sure to be an awesome night out. Plus, we have some amazing prizes for the Chinese auction and of course a 50/50 raffle and food/alcohol for sale. This event is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 10/11. Our chairs, Becky Thomas & Manda Ruark, have been working hard to make this event amazing but we still need help. Volunteers will be needed for set up and clean up, as well as selling the different raffle tickets and working in the kitchen. Please use the link below for the sign-up genius to volunteer.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d44a8ab2babfe3-designer

We will be selling tickets in the pick-up line starting next week. You may also purchase your tickets online by using the link below. We hope to see you there!!

https://visitstfrancis.weshareonline.org/

HSA Open Meeting

Our first open meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 10/2 in the Parish Center Conference room on the 2nd floor. Our agenda is as follows:

- Principal's Update
- · HSA's 2018-2019 Priorities & Commitment to School
- HSA Fundraisers/Events
- HSA Budget Update

Please remember this is an open forum to share your ideas, voice concerns, and learn more about what the HSA is working on to support our students and school. We will also be voting on upcoming budget items. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Kindly RSVP using the link below so we can ensure we have adequate seating!

http://evite.me/tpSUwZDmyg

Uniform Swap

Our next uniform swap is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2^{nd} from 3:00-6:00 pm and Thursday, October 4^{th} from 9:00 am -12:00 pm. If you have items to turn in for credit, please send them in to the office with the form below prior to the swap. Katie Manes, our new Uniform Swap chair, will be looking for people to help work the swap, so please let us know if you can volunteer.

https://lookaside.fbsbx.com/file/Uniform%20Swap Credit%20Voucher.pdf?token=AWxz3K6HXByndbYVIUAmzzByAnDbMxe3U2miSXxSlxgzyKraZssCmOGXl-

<u>PWprCaKew1GoOcrYxWnvkL1GQaljqqLLYLfkZHokJf48Ta6aiC8wHOE Mn5Z28z8AnPOtckTBv-ZDaWEo9Vy EUSAp6ppa82hFxIGEbe3DCWnvFlgH8hufqjCfpsr22z9wvdFp1VA</u>

HSA Family Fall Festival

HSA Family Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 27^{th} from 6:30-8:30 in the Parish Center. We will have indoor trick or treating, food and fun games. This is sure to be a fun night for the whole family. A sign-up genius will be going out soon.

HSA Dues

With a new school year comes the renewal of your HSA dues. The dues are set at \$15/child again this year and the money goes directly to our homeroom moms to use for class activities and the auction project. We will also be collecting at afternoon pickups on Fridays and during all our school events. We accept cash, checks (made payable to SFDS HSA) or credit cards. If you are unsure whether you have paid your dues, please email us at HSA@sfdscs.org

Youth Ministry St. Francis de Sales Parish CYM - Catholic Youth Ministries Grades 7-12

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Connecting with God, friends, and the community.

Get involved with our service projects, fun trips, studies, parties, and pilgrimages! Email lalvarado@visitstfrancis.org for activity updates.

Youth Ministries Bonfire & Barbecue, Saturday, Oct. 13, 6:30 p.m.

Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to enjoy burgers, hot dogs, and s'mores after Mass!

Confirmation preparation begins Saturday, October 13 from 4:15-8:30 p.m.

Register with Liza or the church office! Students who have completed 7th grade religious education and are currently in 8th grade religious education are eligible to participate in the sacramental preparation for Confirmation.

BOY SCOUT TROOP #185 will be hosting a breakfast fundraiser at Applebees on October 7th from 8:00 am -10:00 am. You can purchase tickets for \$7 from a member of the troop.

