St. Francis de Sales Catholic School

Wednesday Newsletter

October 24, 2018

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS!

As you might imagine, being the principal of this great school can keep me busy. Fortunately, I am so very blessed to work with some amazing educators. There are several teachers that act as coordinators of various programs. These individuals lead not only by example but also by providing professional development, acting as mentors and communicating with other coordinators from other schools in the Diocese. They also participate in Diocesan meetings for their particular subject or level each year and report back to their colleagues.

I am indebted to these teachers for their leadership and support each day.

Phyllis Phillips-middle school and reading coordinator
Susan Lagueux-intermediate coordinator
Nancy White-primary coordinator
Kathleen Hall-early childhood and religion coordinator
Megan Duick-math coordinator
Mary-Tyler Upshaw-testing and technology coordinator

Several days each year, I travel to Wilmington for principal's meetings. On those days, Phyllis Phillips acts in my stead should a problem arise in my absence. I never worry on those rare occasions when I have to be out of the building. The school is in the capable hand of skilled and experienced lead teachers.

With Joy,

Mrs. Debbie Traum

Lunch for the next week:

Thursday,10/25	Friday, 10/26	Monday,10/27	Tuesday,10/30	Wed.,10/31
Freaky Lots of choices	No school!	Grilled Chicken on a salad	Hamburger	Spooky Surprise "Ghoul"ash

Reminders

*We are participating in a service project for the Cross Catholic Outreach Organization, click here for info.

*Thursday, November 1st is the first day for winter uniforms. Please check the student handbook for guidelines.

*Please be reminded that students who arrive at school after 8:10 am are tardy. When students have more than 4 tardies in a trimester the consequence is recess detention. Your child will bring home an office communication should this occur.

*Last Friday marked the midpoint for the first trimester. Please sign up for a conference with your child's teachers in order to discuss his/her progress thus far. Note, there is no printed report for the interim period.

*Free Parenting Workshop sponsored by the Community Foundation, click here

*Athletics Facebook Page

Please use this link to request to join our Athletics facebook page! We can use this page to share information about games and practices. Thank you!!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2171889516398376/

Important Dates

- Thursday,10/25-parent/teacher conferences 4-7pm
- Thursday, 10/25 Basketball sign-ups for grades 5-8 during school
- Friday, 10/26, no school, parent/teacher conferences 8am-4pm
- Friday, 10/26 middle school Halloween Dance 7-9 pm school hall-Chaperones needed, contact Mrs. Traum.
- Saturday,10/27 Fall festival, 6:30-8:30 pm.
- Wednesday, 10/31 Hallo-giving (Halloween) Parade to Anchorage Nursing Home grades k-8.
- Thursday, 11/1-Mass celebrating All Saints Day, please be on time to school, students who have PE that day will wear sneakers but wear their winter uniform.

"Hallow-giving" Parade!- Each year grades k-8 travel to Anchorage Nursing Home for some trick or treating fun. Students may come to school that day in their non-scary Halloween costumes. We will parade to the home beginning at approximately 10:15 am. Students will need to return the attached permission slip, click here, by Tuesday, October 30th in order to participate. Parents may wish to chaperone. We will not attend Mass that day.

Home and School Association

SCRIP Don't miss Kris Reilly in the parking lot Friday afternoons selling gift cards. Earn credit for tuition and volunteer hours while you shop!

Auction Interest Meeting

Tonight, beginning at 6:30 pm at EVO, is our first Auction committee interest meeting. Our Auction chair, Kate Bounds is already working hard to make this event a success, but we can't do it without your support. All the proceeds go directly back to your kids...back to our school. With the incredible cost of technology (1 new smartboard alone costs around \$1500), we need to ensure that the biggest fundraiser of the year is a success for the HSA so that we can continue to then use those funds to better our students' educational lives. Please consider stopping by to see how you can help and make this a success!

Uniform Swap

We have 2 upcoming swaps scheduled for Friday, October 26th from 9:00 am – 3:00 pm (during Parent Teacher Conferences) & Friday, November 2nd from 3:15 -6:00 pm. Please note that this will be the last swap before the switch to winter uniforms. If you have items to turn in for credit, please send them into 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=AWyEXvjfP92AHdj8BZxLSvEPE0 q1fPpBhXlhO3aNMlioGvEKPQ7OSCTUbxCYQdYohSvmJpsYPEf17MNSJ2z9ZfOAHgDfXl7gp3QQ5eClp1lckjvionB_3E6x qoMFGntSkO8nnpmzbnDOgEFNXz-43TOs4X4uuafvoZuBI1OI5HT_sFNweaeHIfFDkKwvBhaOuLI

HSA Family Fall Festival

HSA Family Fall Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 27th from 6:30 – 8:30 in the Parish Center. This is a free, fun family indoor event which will include:

- · Food
- · A haunted house
- · Games
- Costume contest
- · Indoor trick or treating with a prize for the best-decorated table

Please use the evite link to RSVP so we can get a head count and properly plan for the food. http://evite.me/ZkEfGZ3Q7k

Please use the sign-up genius link below to see how you can help!

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090e4ba9af2fa7f94-fall

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

<u>Youth Ministry</u> St. Francis de Sales Parish CYM - Catholic Youth Ministries Grades 7-12 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.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.

