



ST. MARY SCHOOL FAMILY NOTES

October 22, 2018

Scholastic Book Fair

Our annual book fair will begin in mid November. We'll have lots of great book choices! Thank you in advance to Mrs. Schwab and Mrs. Alsbury for chairing this event! More info later!

Family Night/ Booster Club

St. Mary's will host a Chili and Hot Dog supper for our school families Wednesday, Nov. 14. Serving begins at 5:30. Come enjoy the meal, shop the Book Fair, pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child, and visit with your school family. All activities will conclude at 7:00. At this time the Booster Club will



meet in the cafeteria. At least one parent from each family should attend Booster Club. Decisions will be made regarding upcoming fundraisers. Babysitting for school age children will be available in the gym at 7:00.

MUSCLES NEEDED

On Thurs., Oct. 25, beginning at 10:00 a.m, help will be needed to move equipment to the gym for the carnival. Let us know if you can help.

MISSION CARNIVAL LUNCH TIMES

Friday, October 26

Grades K –3 from 10:45 to 11:30
Grades 4 –6 from 11:15 to 11:45

Mission Carnival Costume Parade

Be here at 11:45 if you are helping your child dress. Parade time: 12:15.

Report Cards on Sycamore

Report cards will be available for viewing on Sycamore this Thursday, Oct. 25, for Grades 1-6. You will not receive a paper copy of the report card. Please let your child's teacher know that you have seen the report card by emailing her a short message: "We saw Cathy's report card" or "Signed!" You can add a comment to tell the teacher whether you are satisfied with your child's progress. Please do this by Oct. 30. We hope to be able to have you 'sign' through Sycamore in the future. We are still taking baby steps with this system and will continue to tweak it as the year goes along.

To view your child's report card in Sycamore:

- 1) Hover over you child's name;
- 2) Click on documents;
- 3) Click 2018-2019 Grade Card Q1
- 4) Be sure to look on the report card under "Quarter 1 Report Card" for any memos from the school office.

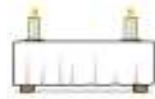


CHILDREN'S MASS

Thurs., Oct. 25, 9:00 a.m.

Grade 3 will lead.

Please join us!



Oct. 31 is the last day for shorts and skorts. Put them away till April 1, 2019.



Parent/Teacher Conferences

will be held Nov. 12, 13, & 14. Log in to Sycamore to pick a time that works for you. As of today, twenty-two families still need to select conference times. You have until Nov. 2 to choose your time.

Conference Tip # 4: Let the teacher take the lead. Listen and learn from the person spending many hours a day with your child.

*Both of you have the same goal:
You want this child to succeed!*

No Bus Service A.M. & P.M. on Thursday and Friday, October 25 & 26, as public schools are not in session.



Coming Events...

- *School Mass—Thurs., Oct. 25—Gr. 3 leads
- *Report Cards—Thurs., Oct. 25, on Sycamore
- *No bus service—Thurs., Oct. 25 & Fri., Oct. 26
- *Mission Carnival— Fri., Oct. 26!!!
- * Preschool Halloween Family Night—Mon., Oct. 29—6:30 p.m.
- *School Mass—Thur., Nov. 1, 9:00, Gr. 6 leads— All Saints Day—Holy Day of Obligation!!
- *All School Sing & Commissioning of Coaches & Athletes—Sunday, Nov. 4, at 11:00 Mass
- *Nursing Home Mass—Tuesday, Nov. 6, Gr. 5, Hickory Estates, 10:30
- *St. Mary's Night at Florinda's—Wed., Nov. 7
- *School Mass—Thurs., Nov. 8—Gr. 2 leads— Food collection for Taylorville Food Pantry
- *Board of Ed. Meeting—Thursday, Nov. 8, 6:00, in the library
- *Flag Raising Ceremony—Friday, Nov. 9, 8:30
- *Book Fair—Nov. 12-16
- *Parent/Teacher Conferences—Nov. 12-14
- *Nursing Home Mass—Tuesday, Nov. 13, Gr. 3, Taylorville Estates, 10:30
- *Family Night/Booster Club Meeting—Nov. 14
- *Midterm Grades posted for Gr. 3-6—Nov. 14
- *School Mass—Thur., Nov. 15, 9:00, Gr. 1
- *Jeans Day for Students—Friday, Nov. 16
- *No P.M. Bus Service—Friday, Nov. 16
- *11:30 Dismissal for Thanksgiving break— Tuesday, Nov. 20

Tickets

Raffle tickets and carnival tickets are on sale at school. All tickets are 25 cents. Several amazing prizes are just waiting for a lucky raffle winner.

Buying carnival tickets in advance is the best bet. If you wait to purchase tickets at the carnival, you could spend a great deal of time waiting in line.

Children may purchase tickets for carnival games at school through Friday. Teachers will hold the tickets till carnival time. Raffle chances are on sale each morning before school through Thursday and will be sold at the carnival on Friday. Please make sure any money sent to school this week is clearly marked. We will be handling raffle money, ticket money, and lunch money just to name a few.

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PUMPKIN CONTEST

Families may drop off decorated pumpkins in the hall outside the cafeteria before school on Fri., Oct. 26. Check in to get a number. Winners will be announced at the end of the carnival. Cost to participate is 50 cents. Participation is optional.

Thank you, Kroger shoppers! We will receive a rebate of \$522.60 this quarter from Kroger Community Rewards. We have 138 households signed up to donate to St. Mary's. If all our school families that shop at Kroger would join in, we'd be very grateful! Our school ID # has changed. It is YF930. Sign up at krogercommunityrewards.com!



Mission Carnival Day is a non-uniform day. Costumes are donned at 11:45. Many students wear the basics of the costume to school - a t-shirt, skirt, leggings, etc. Please make sure your child is dressed modestly, appropriately for the weather, and safely. Gym shoes are required, but may be changed if different shoes are needed for the Halloween costume. Shorts must be at least to the fingertips.



Searching for Small Field Day t-shirts!! If you have a size small Field Day t-shirt, could we borrow it? We need 22 for our Kindergarteners to wear in the Christmas program. We'll try to return them, but no guarantees!

Lunch on Mission Carnival Day
Thursday, Oct. 25, is the deadline to order & pay for lunch on Mission Carnival this Friday. If you & any family members plan to have lunch with your child on Friday, Oct. 26, please make the arrangements by 3:00 on Thurs., Oct. 25.