

The Blue Jay Flyer



Reach up to God, Reach out to others, Reach far for success

October 26, 2017

From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Parents/Guardians,

A BIG THANK YOU to Elizabeth Scholz for taking charge of Grandparents Day! She had several wonderful helpers that made the morning go very smoothly: Lauren Faller, Trisha Maddux, Nicole Given and Jen Dent. Thanks to all for the delicious cookies too!

Halloween is next week!!! Many parties will be enjoyed by our primary students. Remember, you must be current on your Virtus bulletins in order to help. This is also true for you to volunteer in our Cafeteria. The office sends out reminder emails every month, to help all remember to read their bulletins.

Be looking for Conference Sign-up form coming home next Wednesday, November 1st! Can't believe the first Trimester is coming to a close, conferences and Thanksgiving are right around the corner.

Don't forget about the exciting Father-Daughter Night, Saturday, November 11th. A fun filled evening for all who come. I am looking forward to seeing all the beautiful dresses the girls will wear.

Please join us for Mass next Wednesday, November 1, at 8:30. Also, our students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the month of November. Gr. 3, 4, 5 will be Thursday, November 9. Gr. 6, 7, 8 will be Thursday, November 16th.

Have a wonderful weekend, Ms. Catie Blum

School Picture Retakes 11/6 from 8:30-9:30

Those students who were absent on picture day or need a retake will be permitted to come out of uniform on retake day then change into school uniform after pictures.

Preschoolers who need a retake may come to the school between 8:30-9:30 for any retake needs.

Attendance Line 385-2095

To report an absence or tardy please call the attendance line by 8:45 AM. Please leave your child's name, grade, homeroom teacher, and reason for absence.



Thanksgiving Food Drive for Corpus Christi Food Pantry October 16 - November 3

St. John's Student Council is collecting the following items:

CANNED YAMS, CANNED VEGETABLES, CANNED FRUIT, CANNED CRANBERRIES, BOXED POTATOES, STUFFING MIX, GRAVY, JIFFY BRAND CORN BREAD MIX, PASTA (DRIED), FACIAL TISSUES, 2 IN 1 SHAMPOO, PERSONAL CARE ITEMS (badly needed!)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 27 All School Mass 8:30 AM
- Oct 31 Preschool-Gr. 3 Halloween Parties
- Nov 1 All School Mass 8:30 AM
- Nov 3 PTO Mom's night out at the Movies
- Nov 6 Picture Retakes 8:30-9:30 AM
- Nov 8 4yr olds Donuts w/Dads
- Nov 10 End of 1st Trimester
- Nov 11 PTO Father/Daughter Dance

PTO COOKIE DOUGH FUNDRAISER

Please support the PTO Cookie Dough Fundraiser. Orders and payments are due Monday, November 6. Pick up is scheduled for November 29. Packets were sent home last week.



In addition to the prizes in the packet:

- The top student in each grade will receive a gift card to Toys R Us or Target.
- For every 5 orders per family, each child will be entered into the drawing for their grade level.
Preschool-3rd Grade: \$150 gift card to Toys R Us!
4th-8th Grade: \$150 gift card to Toys R Us or Target!
- AND the two classes in these groups: Preschool—3rd Grade, 4th—8th Grade with the most sales will get a pizza party.

Dress Code Reminders

Starting November 1, boys kindergarten - grade 6 must wear pants. Boys in grades 7 & 8 are permitted to wear shorts or pants all year.

Girls are permitted to wear white, navy blue or black leggings to the ankle, footed opaque or knit tights without designs under the uniform skirt/jumper.

Solid navy blue cardigan or crew neck sweaters may be worn (no oversized sweaters or sweatshirts material). Solid navy blue pull-over sweater vests are also acceptable. These must be worn over uniform shirts or white turtlenecks.

Official school sweatshirts and fleece with the triangle logo, purchased through the school office, may be worn over uniform shirts. Athletic spirit wear sweatshirts are only permitted on Spirit Days. Older school spirit wear that is either passed down or found in the uniform exchange is still appropriate. If you are unsure if an older style is uniform or athletic please call the school office. Please note that black sweatshirts and hoodies are NOT school uniform spirit wear.

For the complete dress code please refer to pages 19-20 in the Student/Parent Handbook. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

Automated Phone Calls and Emails

If you would like to change/add/delete phone numbers or email addresses from our messaging system, please send an email to Linda Threm, lthrem@stjohnsdrschoool.org. Please be sure to include your children's names.

Taking Pictures and Videos of Students at School

Parents/guardians who volunteer/visit the school are asked to please refrain from taking and posting on social media pictures and/or videos of students other than your children without that parent's consent.

According to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Social Media Policy (January 2015) "Employees, clerics, and volunteers are forbidden to post or distribute personal identifiable information including pictures of any child under the age of eighteen without verifiable consent of a parent or guardian."

Pull Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House

Did you know that the school collects pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Greater Cincinnati? We have a little blue and white striped house outside the school office for your donations.

Save your Ink Jet Cartridges

We are fortunate to have a fund-raiser for our computer lab that costs us nothing. We are paid \$1.00 to \$2.00 for empty ink jet cartridges. We can use **ONLY INK JET**, no laser printer cartridges. (Anything bigger than 5"x5" is too big!!!!) So ask family, neighbors, friends and businesses to start saving for you now. A box for collection is located in the school's computer lab or the church's bell tower. Or you can just send them into school. Thank you for your continuing support.