SAINT CATHERINE LABOURÉ SCHOOL NEWS

October 2018

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



October 1
Fall Picture Day

October 2
School Board Meeting

October 4
PTO Fall Fundraiser Due

October 8
No School – Columbus Day

October 12
No School Mass
1:30pm – Grandparents' Rosary

October 14

11am-4pm – Texas Roadhouse
PTO Fundraiser

4:15pm-5:45 pm-PTO Ice Skating Party, Twin Ponds

October 16

7pm – First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, Cafeteria

October 17

4pm-6pm - Kindergarten Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 18

No School Kindergarten

All day – Parent/Teacher Conferences Kindergarten 4pm-7pm – Parent/Teacher Conferences Grades 1-4 4pm-10pm - Chili's PTO Fundraiser

October 19

No School K-4

All day - Parent/Teacher Conferences K-4 School In Session for Grades 5-8

A Message from the Principal, Mrs. Vail

Dear Parents and Families,

Fall brings with it the beauty of God's creation as the leaves begin to change and show their colors, there is a bit of a nip in the morning air, and we have a special emphasis on our Blessed Mother Mary. October and May are the months of traditional extra devotion to Mary, our spiritual Mother. May She continue to bless all mothers, or those who serve as mothers, each and every day!

We have many special happenings coming up this month, starting with School Picture Day, Oct. 1, and ending with Trunk or Treat on Oct. 28. In between, we have our annual Grandparents Rosary devotion, Student Council Officer Installation, and a host of other events. Please check the school calendar so that you don't miss a moment of the special activities!

I have included a link to an article that you might find interesting. Although it is titled executive function in the teenage brain, in reality these skills start to develop in early childhood. One researcher likened it to the brain being an air traffic controller, keeping all those planes on target. For some, juggling all those pieces comes more naturally. For others, it is a skill that needs constant practice.

What Parents And Teachers Need To Know About The Teenage Brain And Executive Function

Lastly, I would like to let you know that having studied our dismissal pattern for the last month, I would like to find a way to dismiss Car Riders by 3:15. We have a long gap between bus departures and I believe that there would be sufficient time for Car Riders to leave, as long as the area of their dismissal is shifted to the side of the building, near the Pre-K playground. I am waiting for the final word from our safety committee to put this into place, but please stay tuned for a School Messenger Alert letting you know the exact specifics of this new plan.

Take some time to pick some apples, sip some cider and thank God for the beauty of His creation!

God's Blessings,

Colette Vail

Principal

Diocese of Harrisburg Women's Conference

Women of the Diocese:

Just 20 more days to register for this year's Diocesan Women's Conference, which is being held at Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg on October 20th from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm. The Women's Conference is being keynoted by renowned Catholic speaker, best-selling author, and popular radio personality, Jennifer Fulwiler, from Austin, Texas.

The current issue of the diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Witness*, has a big article on this upcoming conference, which last year drew <u>900</u> women. Below is a registration link and a YouTube invitation from Bishop Gainer. May God bless you and your families!

www.hbgdiocese.org/women - Online Registration Link

https://youtu.be/7CxHIUPuiAM - Bishop Gainer YouTube Invitation

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October 20

9am-1pm – PTO Gently-Used Uniform Sale, Cafeteria

October 22

7pm – SCLS Transfer Information Night

October 25

3pm-5:30pm – PTO Sub Sale Pick Up

October 26

1pm – Halloween Parade 7pm-9pm Middle School Dance, Murray Hall

October 28

3pm-6pm – Trunk or Treat Parking Lot

Class Mass Schedule

SCLS students celebrate Mass at 8:30 am

October 5 – 6C

October 12- No School Mass

October 19 - 6L

October 26 - 5C

November 1 - All Saints - Faculty

November 9 - 4C

November 28 - 4L

December 7 - 3C

December 14 - 3L

December 21 - 5L

Everyone is welcome to attend. The schedule is tentative and is subject to change

A Note from the SCLS PTO President, Erin Henderson

Happy Fall, SCLS Families!

Now that the first few weeks of school are under everyone's belt, it is time to really dig in to the year ahead. The PTO has a very busy October planned, and we can't wait to share so many exciting events with all our school families. Homeroom parents have been selected and we recently met for a planning meeting. They will be reaching out to you soon for planning within your child's homeroom. We are looking forward to our Ice Skating Party on October 14, and hope that you are able to join us there after you grab a bite to eat at our fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse. There is also a fundraiser night planned at Chili's on October 18. We are very excited about our first sub sale. Order forms will be sent home the first week of October, and we have pick-up scheduled for Trick-or-Treat Night on October 25 - easy dining on a busy night! October will wrap up with our Halloween parade and parties for Kindergarten through 5th grade on October 26. All families are invited to the back parking lot to watch the parade. That night, we are hosting our first Middle School Halloween Dance for 6th, 7th & 8th graders. Look for details coming in October about the Pancake Breakfast and Holiday Bazaar planned for November 25!

Wishing everyone a Happy Halloween!

Erin Kenderson

PTO Executive Board

Father Neil Sullivan
Pastor

Mrs. Colette Vail
Principal

Erin Henderson President

Katie Sullivan Vice President

Angela Dawson
Treasurer

Danielle Harper Secretary

Mandatory Fall Fundraiser

Welcome back to another school year at Saint Catherine Labouré! The PTO is starting off the year with our annual mandatory Fall Fundraiser, which helps support our school throughout the year and benefits <u>all</u> of our children. The main goal of the Fall Fundraiser is to cover the cost of the school nurse (see last page of what the funds all cover). This is the <u>ONLY</u> required fundraiser, and it is <u>MANDATORY</u> that all families participate, as per the SCLS Handbook. We appreciate the understanding and participation of our entire school family!

It is very important that each family participates either by selling items or by taking the buyout option. This year we are offering only one type of sale material, as well as the buyout. Materials will be sent home on Thursday, September 13. Money and orders are due by Thursday, October 4.

Option #1: Sell \$200 worth of items, per family.

*Charleston Wrap: The Merry Gift Wrap Guide and Kitchen and Home catalogs (pickup for these items is Thursday, November 15 from 3:30-7:00 in the gym) **Option #2**: Buyout of \$100 per child. Families with two or more children, the cost for the buyout is \$125.

<u>Note:</u> You cannot crossover the two options, i.e. sell \$50 worth of items and give \$50 towards the buyout. **You must choose only one option**.

Any buyouts not paid by October 15, 2018, will be charged \$25. Buyout amounts will be increased by \$5 on the 1st of every subsequent month that the amount is not paid. Please turn in your orders or buyout by the deadline to avoid this late fee!

For questions regarding the fall fundraiser, please contact either of the co-chairs: Erin Henderson (erinhenderson1978@comcast.net) or Katie Sullivan (katiesullivan79@gmail.com).

Happy Birthday!

October 9 - Ellen McDevitt

October 14 - Monica Edwards

October 26 - Dustin Hutcheson

October 28 - Christina Castellano

October 30 - Michelle Cebula



BINGO

Would you like to be entered into a raffle for a FREE registration fee for next school year?

Then please sign up to help in the BINGO kitchen!

BINGO has been an integral part of SCLS for many years. All proceeds from BINGO, over \$30,000 per year, are applied directly to the school budget. These proceeds assist in keeping tuition costs down for ALL students at SCLS. Volunteers are asked to set up the kitchen, sell food and beverages, and clean up. There are instructions and checklists to assist you! Please contact Kelly Rogers at kzanzinger@hotmail.com or Colleen Kovalchik at jckhbg05@comcast.net if you have any questions or need assistance. Thank you and God bless you.

*New this year: each time you volunteer to work in the Bingo kitchen, your name will be entered in a raffle for a free 2019-2020 registration fee!

Sign-up here: https://www.timetosignup.com/sclsvolunteers/sheet/29036





PTO SUB SALE

Keep Trick-or-Treat night "spooktacularly"

simple and leave the cooking up to someone else!

Support the SCLS PTO by ordering delicious R&K Subs or Pretzel sandwiches for the whole family!

Orders due: October 15th (Payment due in the form of one check made out to SCLS PTO with order form)

Order pick up: October 25th 3:00-5:30 pm (just in time for Trick -or-Treat!!!!)

Our Goal is to sell 250 Subs!

The homeroom that has the most student participation (by percentage) will receive a special Halloween Treat!



Restaurant & Retail Fundraisers

Family restaurant and retail nights provide an opportunity for you to spend an evening sharing dinner with your family and friends while supporting SCLS PTO. Each establishment will donate a portion of your total bill to SLCS. Please join your SCLS friends and family!





October 12th 4:00 pm - 10:00 pm October 14th 11:00 am - 4:00 pm



October 14th 4:15 pm – 5:45 pm



The PTO is no longer collecting Coke Rewards, Moo Caps, Campbell Soup Labels or Ink Cartridges. Please do NOT send these items into school. Thank you!

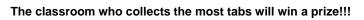
Box Tops for Education

Clip the Box Tops from various products and send them into school. The PTO gets 10 cents for each box top submitted. Watch for contests with prizes throughout the year. The PTO raised almost \$1,300 last year from collection of box tops.



Community Service Project

The PTO is collecting pop tabs off soda cans to donate to Ronald McDonald house. They use the monies collected to help the families of sick children being treated at the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center. You may continue to send them to school.





United Way

Did you know that your United
Way donation can be designated to
St. Catherine Laboure School?
Please enter the code number
246052 on your United Way
campaign form.



Red Robin Royalty Program

Help our school raise money all year long with Burgers for Better Schools^M! It's free to join and easy to participate. All you have to do is become a Red Robin Royalty member, select our school, and Red Robin will donate 1% of all purchases you make at participating locations. Learn more at redrobin.com/betterschools.



DO YOU SHOP ONLINE? Go to – www.goodshop.com. Enter "Saint Catherine Laboure School"; click 'verify'. Search for the name of the company you want to shop. 'Click' on the name of the company and you'll go to their website. Start shopping! Hundreds of Companies!!! Anywhere from 1% to 37% of your total purchase will be donated to SCLS! IT'S THAT EASY!!!



our school!

