

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



November 9, 2020

THE NOTE!

I hope everyone enjoyed the warm weekend. Looks like some rain in the forecast. We've been blessed with perfect weather to start this COVID school year, so I won't complain.

The bad news is we are seeing more quarantined, but the good news is they aren't actually getting it themselves! We keep praying for all those who have to stay home, that they can stay positive and know that we miss them!

After guidance from the School Board, I am determined to stay open if we are staying healthy. I told the kids to wear their masks when they are asked to and wash hands well and often. We are doing something right, but our community and those around us are seeing such a large increase in COVID, that I want us to do our best to fight it here. I appreciate your support at home to make things smoother here. As I shopped in Evansville I was a little envious of all the moms who were coming from soccer, football, and other sporting events after watching their kids play, but also amazed that we didn't see one person without a mask in a store or gas station. Christmas shopping is mostly finished- now the wrapping ☺!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: BB 'til 5:30, Cheer 5:30-7

Tuesday: Camouflage Day for our Veterans! Bring a donation and wear CAMO!

Wednesday: No School – Thank you Veterans!

Thursday: BB 'til 5:30

Friday: 3-5 Class Mass (5)

ATTACHED/IN PACKET: Contact Day form for BB players, School Board minutes, Bus Slips, Picture Re-take forms (Re-takes Nov. 17)

- We have officially postponed our **Trivia Night**. After our meeting Wednesday, we reset the date for April 17th. If nothing has changed with COVID restrictions by February when we would need to start planning, we will cancel it. I hate to do this, but it just isn't feasible. Thanks to the committee for their input and ideas!

- Just a reminder that we will not do early dismissal on **Wednesday, Nov. 25th**, and we will have late stay that evening.
- As talks/rumors start to surface, know that if our numbers can stay low, I will always plan to continue with **school in session all day**. I would ask that as St. Thomas families we encourage our kids to sit with their siblings on the bus and face front with masks on. Many of the quarantines are coming from buses. Since our kids only ride in the mornings, maybe if we are careful and follow the rules, we can avoid some of it.
- We now have **St. Thomas masks and gaiters** for sale for \$10 thanks to one our amazing grandmas. There are youth and adult sizes in the masks, and one size for gaiters. This will be 1st come, 1st serve. Send in an envelope with your name/money/order and we'll send them home. I'll let you know when we run out. I'm excited to see these on the kids!
- I've sweetened the pot a little bit for **Camo day tomorrow**. If a class has 100% participation with at least \$1 per student, I will give their class a treat. Hopefully everyone can find a shirt/hat/bandanna/socks to wear! The money we raise will be donated to Operation Home Front who sends packages to our soldiers who won't make it home for Christmas.
- If you need more **raffle tickets** for the guns, please let us know. The drawing will be at the KC Hall on the 21st. There is a euchre tournament. You can sign up as an individual or with a partner.
- We still have 2 boxes of 13-gallon **trash bags** (\$12) and 2 boxes of 30-gallon trash bags (\$10). Let us know if you want to purchase.
- 2nd quarter **mid-term** is already 1 week from Wednesday. Keep encouraging the kids to work hard.
- If your son or daughter has shown interest in playing **basketball**, there is a form for you to read and sign in your packet. Please return it as soon as possible. This lays out the rules we must agree to follow to have our contact days.

