

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School



October 11, 2022

THE NOTE!

What a beautiful weekend. Good for lots of things! I hope the harvest is going well for our farming families! It was great to see so many of you at the picnic on Sunday. What a fun evening of good food, good music, and fellowship. Homecoming was a lot of fun and now we are to the end of our 1st quarter. Don't blink – this year is flying by!

Congratulations to our girls' cross country team on their 2nd place finish at Sectionals on Saturday and their upcoming trip to State! Go Eagles, Go Saints!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:

Tuesday: K-3 Hearing checks by JCHD, Stang Arts 'til 5:00, GBB H vs. St. Anthony
6:00

Wednesday: **3-5 Class Mass (4)**, Staff mtg. after school, Trivia Night meeting 6:00 in library, Youth Choir 5:30

Thursday: School walk to NCHS to watch the band 12:30, READ here for K-3 1:30, GBB H vs. Paris Mayo 6:00

Friday: **All-School Mass (5)**, GBB @ T-Town 6:00, **PICTURE DAY**, End of 1st Qt.

Saturday: CC State @ Normal 10:00

ATTACHED/IN PACKET: Picture order forms, P/T conference sign up form, Lunch statements, School Board minutes, Detergent order forms (due Oct. 25th)

- Thanks to Mandy and Jenny from the health department for conducting our **hearing screenings** this morning.
- To clear up any confusion, the number I put in parentheses beside the **masses** is the grade that is planning and leading mass. I apologize if that confused anyone. All are welcome to attend any and all masses!
- On Friday we will have our fall **Picture Day**. Students do not have to wear their polos. This picture appears in the yearbook and this is when we take the class picture, so hopefully everyone will be well and at school! All families receive the class picture at no cost.
- Tomorrow evening we are having our first **Trivia Night committee meeting**. We are looking for new volunteers to help with this huge fundraiser. The meeting will be at 6:00 in the library. If you can't make the meeting, but want to help out,

let me know. We need to get started right away! Hope to see some new faces!

Helping plan does not mean you can't play on a team!

- Friday is the **end of the 1st quarter**. Grade cards will come home Monday. You will sign the envelope and return it, keeping the grade card at home.
- On Thursday the entire school will be headed to NCHS to watch the **Marching Eagles** perform their show for us. I know some get to see it at football games, but so many do not. It is a lot of fun! It looks to be a beautiful day for a walk!
- In the packets you will find a slip to sign up for **parent/teacher conferences**. New this year is having them two evenings, rather than an evening and a morning. I'm hoping we will be able to fit everyone in during those 2 evenings without too much trouble. If you have multiple children, please send in your papers ASAP. I try to do yours first to keep the times together, but if you don't send it, I can't. Also, parents of 6th-8th graders are scheduled with the homeroom teacher only, unless you let me know you'd like to meet with others. Don't forget to put your kids' name(s) on the slip. We always have 100% attendance. It is important to show our kids that we all work together for them.
- I know I have not been able to watch all of the **soccer** players and didn't make it to a JFL game this year, and I hate that. Once band competitions started, I got busy. Know that I love to see your kids doing what they love! Thanks to all of you who do so much for your kids!
- Just a reminder that **tuition** payments are made to the church, but we are glad to get them over there if you send them in. Even small payments are great!
- We will begin searching for **auction items** for Trivia Night right away. If you have any donations or ideas, please let us know. Our silent auction items are usually valued at least \$100. These can be individual items or baskets. The live auction items can be anything from concert/game/event tickets, gift certificates, packages, etc. We've had families/groups go together to put together live auction packages/items. If you have any artistic ability, people love homemade! Don't underestimate yourself! Also, if you own or work for a business who might be interested in **sponsoring** a round/bar/intermission/games, please let us know. That information will go out in early December.
- Start getting your team of 8 together for **Trivia Night** on Feb. 11th! It's a fun evening to be a part of whether you play or work!
- Our virtue for October and November is thankfulness. I have a sign in my house that says, 'There is always something to be thankful for.' That's what we need to remember and instill in our kids. They are some of the luckiest around!
- I am thankful for the **best teachers and staff!** I work with great people and I couldn't show them enough how much I appreciate all of them.

