

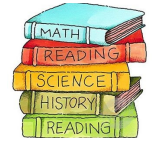


THE THURSDAY NEWS

September 05, 2019



- Sunday, September 15th:** Grandparent's Day Celebration
- Tuesday, September 17th:** 9:30AM-10:30AM, High School Fair for Jr. High Students
- Tuesday, September 17th:** Save the evening: Dine & Share At Dog Stop Restaurant
- Thursday, September 19th:** 1st Grade Field Trip to Safety Town
- Friday, September 20th:** No School; Staff Development
- Tuesday, September 24th:** Fall Picture Day (Wear dress up clothes)
- Saturday, September 28th:** 8th Grade Car Wash



Family/Student Handbooks and Acknowledgement Forms

This year's Family/Student Handbook is now complete and available online at:
<http://saintferdinandschool.org/parent-corner/family-handbook/>

Each family is asked to review the Handbook, and return the Acknowledgement Form that is in this week's folder. If you can not access the electronic version, you may request a paper copy in the office. Our Handbook details important school rules and policies / procedures, and thus is essential that it is reviewed by each family.

World's Finest Chocolates

Our World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser will begin next week. Chocolate will be distributed on Thursday, September 12. Each family is responsible for 1 box. Please see enclosed letter for additional information and prizes.

Grandparents Day Celebration

You are invited to our Grandparents Day Celebration on Sunday, September 15!
 We will begin with Mass at 10:00AM in the Chapel, honoring all grandparents.
 Then, your family is invited to brunch with our staff in the Activity Center from 11:00-1:00PM.
 We look forward to seeing you there ... make sure to invite your grandparents as well!

Cell Phones/ Apple Watches/ Smart Watches / Cell Phones

Just a reminder—students are not to have/use cell phones during the school day. This includes recess time as well. Smart watches (devices similar to Apple watches), or similar electronic devices that can be used for communication or internet, are likewise not allowed. Electronic devices will be taken away, and parents will need to pick them up from the office.

Reminders

- Headphones/Earbuds:** Because students are using iReady software, each student in grades K-8 is asked to have their own pair of earbuds / headphones with them to use with the program. More information on iReady is on the back of this newsletter.
- Walking Home Permission:** Parents that wish to have their children walk home may fill out a permission slip. Permission slips went home with students in grades 6-8. Parents of students in other grades should contact the office for a form.
- Health Records:** Students in grades K, 2, and 6 were required to turn in updated health records at the beginning of the school year. If you have not yet turned these in, please do so now. Letters went home today indicating if we are missing any required physical, dental, or vision exams for your student. Since the requirements are set by the State of Illinois, students that do not have their updated physicals/immunization records on file with the office do run the risk of exclusion in October.
- Arrival / Dismissal Times:** Please note, school doors open at 7:40AM. Students should arrive between 7:40—7:55AM. Any student arriving after 7:55AM will have to check in at the office, and will be marked as tardy. Dismissal is from 2:45PM—2:55PM in the parking lot. Students not picked up by 3:00PM will be charged for after school care.
- Sports Council Needed:** We still need parents for sports council! Please see enclosed letter.
- Uniforms:** Just a reminder, students should be in the proper uniform. Skinny pants/jeggings are not acceptable as uniform pants. Socks should be solid colored, and shoes should be solid black, grey, navy or white. A copy of the uniform code was sent home in the beginning of the school year, and can be found at <http://saintferdinandschool.org/> under the Parent Corner / Forms tab.