



THE THURSDAY NEWS

October 03, 2019



Friday, October 4th: Blessing of Pets, 2:45PM-3:00PM, Parking Lot:
(Bring your caged, leashed, or bowled pet to back lot at dismissal)

Friday, October 11th: Dress Down Day 8th Grade Fundraiser, \$1 to participate
(8th grade will be collecting money all next week for this, bring \$1)

Friday, October 11th: Trunk-or-Treat 6:00PM—7:00PM, Parking lot (Set-up: 5:30PM)

Monday, October 14th: No School; Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 15th: Save the Date: Fundraiser at Portillo's, 5:00PM—8:00PM

Sunday, October 20th: Family Mass and Ofrenda Viewing, 10:00AM Chapel
Mandatory Parent Meeting for Confirmation, 9:15AM
Pancake Breakfast, Activity Center, 8:00AM—1:00PM

October 21, 23, 25: Book Fair (during Library classes and Conferences)

Friday, October 25th: No School: PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES



Trunk-or-Treat: Friday, October 11, 6:00PM—7:00PM (Set-up: 5:30PM—6:00PM)

This year, we will host our first ever Trunk-or-Treat! This is a fun, and safe way to celebrate Halloween. Parents may decorate their cars in the school parking lot, and students will go trick-or-treating to all the cars. Sign-up fliers went home last week, please return them if you are interested in decorating.

Any parent that decorates their car and participates in passing out candy will be granted Parent Service Hours!

OFRENDAS - INTERESTED IN DISPLAYING ONE IN OUR CHAPEL?

An "ofrenda" is an altar dedicated to a beloved deceased family member in which food and personal items the departed enjoyed while on earth are displayed, as well as photos and religious items and flowers. It is a tradition in many Spanish-speaking countries to erect ofrendas in the home or even on gravesites during Dias de los Muertos at the beginning of November, coinciding with the Christian All Saints and All Souls Days. The junior high classes will be designing miniature ofrendas as a project in their Spanish classes, which will be on display at the front entrance for Parent-Teacher Conferences. It would be wonderful to be able to have life-size ofrendas on display in our Chapel for the Oct. 20th Family Mass and then remain there through at least Conference Day, Oct 25th.

If your family would be willing to create an ofrenda on the afternoon/evening of **Friday, October 18**, please contact the office for more specifics.

Progress Reports

Progress Reports are being sent home today. Students in Grades 1 and 2 have paper copies. Students in Grades 3-8 have online progress reports: Parents will need to log into PowerSchool and review their child's progress. Students were given a form to be signed and returned, indicating that parents have logged in to Powerschool and have reviewed the grades.

These forms are due back by Monday, October 27.

Please contact the office if you are having difficulty logging in to PowerSchool.

Reminders

- Car Wash Thank You:** Our 8th Grade Students and Parents worked hard at Saturday's car wash! Thank you to all those who worked the event, as well as all those who came out to show their support for the Class of 2020.
- Chocolate Money:** Don't forget to turn in your Chocolate money if you have not already done so! World's Finest Chocolate was a mandatory fundraiser, and each family was responsible for 1 box of chocolate.
- School Board:** We are getting ready to start up our School Board again. Anyone who is interested in joining our school board should contact the office.
- FORMS/RAFFLE TICKETS:** Please remember to fill out and return any forms you have for the school. This includes emergency contact forms and the Handbook Acknowledgment forms. Also: Please return your raffle ticket stubs, our first drawing is in October!
- Parent Teacher Conferences:** Please Parent Teacher Conference will be on October 25. An on-line scheduling form for conferences will be going home soon. Please be on the lookout for this!



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Word

...weekly spotlight on a word to know at St. Ferdinand School by Principal Folino 😊 Oct 3, 2019

PEACE

As you have probably already noticed, St. Ferdinand School students participated in *Pinwheels for Peace*. Through this global movement, people around the world pray for peace, and then create highly visible, outdoor installations of pinwheels representing “whirled” peace to remind those passing by to pray and work for it, both in their local communities and around the world. Students discussed and prayed for peace in their religion classes, and then EVERY student assisted with the placement of pinwheels along our Belmont Avenue iron fence. We hope you have enjoyed this eye-catching, fun display - - - and said a prayer for peace - - - as the pinwheels whirled in the bright fall sunshine!

