

Thursday Thoughts: The Weekly Newsletter of St. Ferdinand School



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NEWS

Blessing for Police, Firefighters, and First Responders – TOMORROW...Friday, September 10, we will have a special blessing at our 8:15AM School Mass for police, firefighters, and first responders in commemoration of 9/11. All police officers and firefighters are invited to join us for this special blessing. After Mass, a new flag will be dedicated. Please see the flyer that went home for more details.

Save the Date – Ferds Family Fun Night #1: Fans and Food Trucks – Our first Ferds Family Fun Night will be **Friday, September 17, from 6:00PM – 9:00PM** in the school parking lot. The Sox/Cubs game will be broadcast – and 4 different food trucks will be present for dinner/dessert! Games will be available, as well as a DJ and a split-the-pot raffle. Bring your lawn chairs and come join us for a fun evening for the whole family! Please see the flyer that went home for more information. **THIS FUN NIGHT ALSO SERVES AS OUR DINE-AND-SHARE FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS EACH FOOD TRUCK IS DONATING A PERCENT OF ALL FOODS BOUGHT BACK TO ST. FERDINAND SCHOOL!** Come on out, have fun with school families, enjoy the games, and have yummy dinners/snacks from the food trucks!

Fun Run - In just 2 weeks, on Tuesday, 9/21, we'll kick off 7 DAYS OF EXCITEMENT and MOMENTUM for our Footin' It For Ferds Fun Run, taking place on Friday, Oct 1! Our goal is to raise **\$10,000 for our School Budget** as we "strengthen" our school for the present, the future, and with its ties to the community! All students will participate in the Footin' It For Ferds Fun Run, regardless of amount of financial participation. We will also be following our school safety guidelines to ensure a safe and fun experience for everyone as we enjoy the festive running atmosphere provided by the company with which we are working this year, Boosterthon.

We appreciate your support more than you know. More details to come as we get closer to kickoff! Again, we will start raising **pledges** and build awareness of the event in mid-September, and the date of the actual run will be **Friday, October 1, 2021**.

Health Forms – Students in grades K, 2, and 6th needed updated medical records. Kindergarteners needed physicals, eye exams, and dental exams. 2nd graders needed dental exams. 6th graders needed physicals and dental exams. These forms were due at the beginning of school – **if you did not already turn yours in, please submit these records ASAP, or a doctor's note with your upcoming appointment. Notes were sent home today to parents of students that were missing physicals – please turn these in!!!**

Volunteer Info – Packets explaining volunteer requirements and forms went home today. These packets are also available in our links. Please note: Volunteers MUST complete ALL requirements PRIOR to being able to volunteer! This is an Archdiocesan requirement for the safety of everyone.

Student Information Forms – Forms went home to families that were missing documents. Please take a moment to fill these out.

Altar Server Permission Forms – If anyone in grades 3-8 is interested in becoming an altar server, permission forms went home (and are included in the links). Please fill out and return this permission slip if your child will be an altar server, or wants to learn to be an altar server.

Clubs Return! – After school clubs are slowly returning to St. Ferdinand School! Young Rembrandts permission forms went home today for students in K-5th grade, while Chess Academy went home last week – stay tuned in the upcoming weeks for more offerings! All forms can be found in the included links if you need an extra copy.

Raffle Tickets – Raffle tickets went home with each family at our Back-to-School/Ice Cream Social Night. These tickets are yours to sell, or to keep for yourself, as they were already paid for in the fundraising fee, which is incorporated into the first month's tuition. **Please return only the stubs (with all information filled out) to the school as soon as possible, as drawings will be monthly starting in October.** Again, you are welcome to sell your tickets to family and friends – but just be sure to collect the ticket stubs with their contact information and turn them in to the office (keep the \$ for yourself though!).

Illnesses/Absences from School - Just a reminder, **all illnesses/absences from school must be reported to the school no later than 9:00 AM the day of absence.** Please notify the school if your child will be absent by calling the office or emailing absent@saintferdinand.org

IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, September 10: Spirit Wear Friday

Commemoration 9-11/Honoring Police/Firefighters/First Responders
at 8:15 Mass and New Flag Raising in Front of School

Friday, September 17: Cubs/Sox Wear Friday

Friday, September 17: Ferd Family Fun Friday #1: Fans & Food Trucks - 6:00PM – 9:00PM

Sunday, September 19: Catechetical Sunday / Grandparents Blessing / Family Mass –
11:30AM, Church

Tuesday, September 21: World Peace Day/Pinwheels for Peace/ Special 8:15 School Mass
Catholic High Schools Recruitment Day
Kick-off campaign for Footin' It For Ferds Fun Run

Friday, September 24: No School, Teacher Professional Development

Tuesday, September 28: Fall Picture Day

Friday, October 01: Footin' It For Ferds Fun Run during the school day – schedule to follow