Thursday Thoughts: The Weekly Newsletter of St. Ferdinand School



September 16, 2021

NEWS

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!

Family Mass – Our first Family Mass will be **Sunday, September 19, at 11:30AM in the Church.** Fliers went home with more information. We will also celebrate Grandparents Day at this Mass, and there will be a special blessing for all grandparents.

Fun Run - 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**.

<u>Clubs Return!</u> – After school clubs are slowly returning to St. Ferdinand School! Right now, Chess Club, Young Rembrandts, and Student Council are open More choices to come!

<u>Picture Day</u> – Picture day will be **Tuesday**, **September 28th**. Forms to order went home today and are included in the links. Picture orders will be online, so there is no need to return order forms to us after you have placed your order online. If you need assistance in ordering, please reach out to VanGogh School Photographers.

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.**

<u>Volunteer Info</u> – Packets explaining volunteer requirements and forms went home a couple weeks ago. 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.

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!).

<u>Illnesses/Absences from School</u> - 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 17: Cubs/Sox Wear Friday

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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