## Thursday Thoughts: The Weekly Newsletter of St. Ferdinand School



**September 30, 2021** 

## **NEWS**

<u>Fun Run</u> – Tomorrow is our BIG Celebration Event Day - our Footin It For Ferd Fun Run! We have raised \$7,458 and our goal is to raise \$10,000. We need your help to finish strong. Tonight is the LAST NIGHT for donations before the Fun Run! If you haven't registered, shared, or given, IT'S NOT TOO LATE! Every donation and share counts BIG time toward our goal. Thank you for supporting our school and being a part of helping us make our school budget that will help our school immensely.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU...**for the FANTASTIC kick-off to this fundraiser! We are so thrilled at the number of enrollees into the online program at www.mybooster.com! The kids are SOOO pumped to get their prizes an earn their incentives each day! Let's keep the momentum going right into the Fun Run tomorrow!

**PARENTS may come by and cheer on the kids!** We will have an area behind cones in front of the gym and you are welcome to stand outside of the gates along the corner of Belmont and Marmora! The times the kids will be running are:

8:20-9:00 Pre-K – 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:15-10:00 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 10:15-11:00 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

**Rosaries Blessed Today!** We had a beautiful all-school Mass today, and at the end, our Rosaries were blessed. Br. James and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Bell Choir, and Sr. Agnes and the 4<sup>th</sup> grade singers led the students in WONDERFUL liturgical songs! What a beautiful way to welcome October, the month of Mary.

**Young Rembrandts** There is still space available in the Young Rembrandts drawing classes – these will meet after school of Fridays, starting 10/1/2021 .... Please see the registration form in the links if you still wish to join.

**Pet Blessing** On Monday, October 4, we will have a Blessing of the Pets in our parking lot following dismissal. Please see the flyer that went home for additional information.

<u>Trunk-or-Treat</u> Trunk-or-Treat is back this year! We will have Trunk-or-Treat on Friday, October 15, in our school's Parking Lot. Cars should arrive between 5:30-6:00 to set up, and trunk-or-treating will occur from 6:00PM – 7:00PM. Cars that participate in decorating their car/passing out candy will receive parent-service hours for their time. Please see the flyer that went home and is included in the links for more info.

Starting to Think about Halloween? Students MAY bring in pre-wrapped treats, trinkets, or goodie bags to pass out to classmates. NO homemade goodies will be allowed. Please note, due to COVID restrictions, no food will be eaten in school that day as part of our Halloween Celebrations; children will take all treats received home for the weekend! Costumes may be worn to school that day – but, of course, nothing may be gory or bloody, and all skirt lengths must be appropriate and outfits modest.

**Spirit Wear** – Spirit Wear is coming! Be on the lookout next week for forms and ordering instructions. As a reminder – students are able to wear Spirit Wear every Friday.

<u>Drop-Off Reminder</u> – PLEASE DO NOT DOUBLE-PARK ON MASON AVENUE IN THE MORNING! All cars MUST pull over on either side of the street if you want to get out of your car and walk your child in! Do not leave your vehicle unattended in the middle of the street in the morning. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

<u>iWatches/Smart Watches</u> – are not allowed on the children during school hours! They need to be kept at home OR kept in backpacks in the lockers during the school day.

<u>Amazon Smiles</u> - If you do any online shopping, please log in through <u>Smile.Amazon.com</u> and choose as *St. Ferdinand School & Convent* your organization of choice! Amazon will donate .05% of the money you spend to our school! Share this information with family and friends!

<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!).

Hot Lunch Info – We thank our hot lunch providers, FSP, for all their work in getting us our meals and our lunchroom staff. Please be advised – due to national supply chain shortages, some items may occasionally not be available – meaning on occasion, lunch might be different from what is on the menu.

<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 <u>absent@saintferdinand.org</u>

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

Friday, October 1: Footin' It For Ferds Fun Run during the school day – see schedule above

Monday, October 4: 8:15 School Mass for the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi –

Pet Blessing in the back parking lot at 3:00 PM!

Wednesday, October 6: 1st Wednesday Early Dismissal 1:45-2:00 PM

Extended Care is available

Monthly Confessions – Gr 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

**Thursday, October 7:** 1st Trimester Progress Reports go home!

Friday, October 8: Student Council Speeches and Elections

Monday, October 11: No School! National Indigenous Peoples Day

**Tuesday, October 12:** Progress Reports due back!

Friday, October 15: Trunk-or-Treat – 6:00 arrival – Parking Lot

(Raindate: Friday, October 29)

Sunday, October 17: Parent Confirmation Meeting #1 – 9:45 AM Torba Center

## October Family Mass – 11:30 in church

Friday, October 22: 11:30 Dismissal - Parent-Teacher Conferences Noon-7:00 PM

Extended Care Available

Monday, October 25 – Friday, October 29: Red Ribbon Week!

**Friday, October 29:** Halloween Costume Dress-Down Day!