Thursday Thoughts: The Weekly Newsletter of St. Ferdinand School



November 18, 2021

NEWS

<u>**Report Cards**</u> – 1st Trimester Report Cards went home today! Please check your child's folder and review these with your children. Please note: If your child made honor roll, a certificate will be going home at a later date, as the certificates have not arrived yet. **Signed** envelopes are due back to your child's homeroom teacher on Monday, November 22.

Family Reading Night – Please join us tomorrow, **Friday, November 19, from 6:00PM – 7:30PM in the JTC** for Family Reading Night! Come in your comfy pj's and bring blankets to spread out and enjoy storytelling, bookmark making, raffle, snacks, and a book exchange! More information was included in last week's flyer and today's links.

Thanksgiving Food Drive St Ferdinand School is having a "Turkey Day Food Drive" to benefit the St. Ferdinand Food Pantry. Our goal is to collect 2021 items. Please see the flyer that went home and is included in this week's links for all the items that are needed. Thank you in advance for your generosity in this social outreach activity! Which class will bring in the most cans?!?!

<u>Gift Card Fundraiser</u> – Our annual Gift Card sale is starting! Please see the order forms that went home last week for full information and how to order. All orders need to be turned in by Tuesday, November 30 in order for us to be able to receive gift cards before Christmas break.</u> Please read the information sheet that went home – you can earn a percentage of your purchase back to be applied towards your tuition!

Amazon Smiles - If you do any online shopping, please log in through Smile.Amazon.com and choose *St. Ferdinand School & Convent* as your organization of choice! Amazon will donate .05% of the money you spend to our school! Please share this information with family and friends! **Box Tops for Education**- BoxTops for Education is now online! Instead of traditional clips, there is now a BoxTops app where you scan your receipt for credit to be awarded to the school. More information can be found at <u>https://www.boxtops4education.com/</u> or in the included links.

Drop-Off Reminder – 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>Volunteer Info</u> – Please remember to contact Ms. Margaret with questions about volunteer requirements. mbrumann@saintferdinand.org

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

Thursday, November 18: Report Cards go home!

School Board Meeting – 7:30 PM Activity Center

Friday, November 19: FERD FAMILY FUN NIGHT #3 – Family Reading Night 6:00-7:30 PM Torba Center!

Sunday, November 21: Family Mass, 11:30 / Rite of Inscription for 8th Grade Confirmation Candidates AND 9:45 AM - MANDATORY 1st Communion Parent Meeting #1 in Torba Center

Monday, November 22 – NOVEMBER OUTREACH PROGRAM – "2021 TURKEY DRIVE FOOD COLLECTION CONTEST" – all items due TODAY!

Tuesday, November 23 – School Thanksgiving Mass 8:15 AM

Wednesday, November 24 - Friday November 26: NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving Vacation!

Tuesday, November 30 – Gift Card Orders DUE

Monday, December 6 – Drive-By St. Nick Event! Front of School! 6:00-7:30

Sunday, December 12 – Family Mass 11:30 honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe!

Thursday, December 16 – Christmas Show: 7:00 PM start in the Chapel – Kids arrive in classrooms @ 6:30 PM - - - FOR COVID SPACING PROTOCOL, ONLY 2 GUESTS PER FAMILY WILL BE ALLOWED. THANK YOU!