

## Dear St. Ferdinand Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year at St. Ferdinand School! St. Parents Club would like to extend a warm welcome to all the new and returning families. We are happy to be back and look forward to making this school year one for the books! At St. Ferdinand School, Parents Club is responsible for planning and implementing many events and fundraisers throughout the school year. There are so many ways to participate in Parents Club – attend our monthly meetings, become a Room Parent/Helper, dine out for restaurant nights or volunteer your time to assist with events such as Food Truck Festival, Trunk or Treat, Junior High Halloween Dance, Taffy Apple Sales and many more. We are currently looking to fill certain positions on the Parents Board to help assist Parents Club, if you are interested in leading a team, email us at <a href="mailto:stferdsparentsclub@gmail.com">stferdsparentsclub@gmail.com</a>.

Last school year was incredibly successful on jump starting our Parents Club. The "End of Year Pre-loved Uniforms Sale" fundraiser was a success we want to remind parents to keep donating throughout the year. We are only successful because of the fantastic parents and family members who help carry out our events. More than ever- we need YOU and want to hear from you. Share your ideas, start a group to lead a new fundraiser or event, help us make any adjustments to increase participation- so many great changes can happen when we come together.

All parents and volunteers who would like to participate in any capacity during school hours must complete five steps. Please visit <a href="www.archchicago.org">www.archchicago.org</a> or <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> and fill out the Child Protection Form, Compliance for Clergy, Employees & Volunteers Form, Criminal Background Check, CANTS form and must be VIRTUS (Protecting God's Children for Adults) trained or register now for the training course at <a href="protect.archchicago.org">protect.archchicago.org</a>. For more information, please see the school website under <a href="Volunteers">Volunteers</a>, email Parents Club or call the school office. Please keep an eye out for Parents Club communications about upcoming events and fundraising in the weekly <a href="Thursday Thoughts">Thursday Thoughts</a> as well as our school social media accounts and upcoming emails from your child's classroom Room parents. Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have! We look forward to working with all our St. Ferdinand's families to make this year a great one for our students!

The Parents Club Meetings during the 2022-2023 Year will be on the first Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm on September 13, October 4, November 1, December 6, January 10 (2nd Tuesday), February 7, March 7, April 4, and May 2.

Parents Club meetings will be held in the Activity Center.

We hope to see you! Sincerely,

St. Ferdinand's Parents Club

## **Room Parent and Classroom Helper (New)**

Are you interested in helping this school year in your child's classroom? – As a Room Parent and Classroom Helper you will be the parent contact(s) for each classroom teacher, plan special celebrations for Halloween and Valentine's Day as well as share communications regarding Parents Club fundraisers and events to classroom parents. We ask that at least one parent from each classroom attends each monthly Parents Club meeting, the first Tuesday of every month. Room Parent / Helpers will be announced at the first Parents Club meeting on Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 6:30pm. This form is due by Monday, September 12, 2022. We are looking forward to working with you all and making this a wonderful school year! – If interested, please print, fill out and submit the following form:

## **Parents Club Board**

Monica Miller – President
Francis Tayupanta-Kostelis– Vice President
TBD – Treasurer
TBD– Secretary

**TBD**– Restaurant Coordinator **TBD**– Volunteer Coordinator

If you have questions or concerns, please contact **Monica**Miller at <a href="mailto:stferdsparentsclub@gmail.com">stferdsparentsclub@gmail.com</a>

