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Family Bulletin #9

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I praise you, Lord, for autumn: for falling temperatures and morning chill, trees turned gold and red, brown and orange, falling leaves and blowing leaves, the joy of leaf-pile jumping.

I praise you, Lord, for autumn: the interplay of outside temperatures and inside warmth, the promise of cider and pumpkin bread, the blessing of blankets and sweaters.

I praise you, Lord, for autumn: the beauty and hope in the change of season, the promise that the coming of autumn heralds another ending, a new beginning, and the wonder of another winter, another spring, another summer, yet to come.

--Bob Hostetler

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your time at Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences last week. The partnership between parents and school is critical to the achievement and success of your children. Following through with the recommendations of the teachers and the plans for student support that you came up with at conferences is crucial for their continued achievement. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher at any time if you need additional guidance or support.

Building Strong Skills

One of the most important aspects of school is helping children become resilient, confident, and independent. You can help your child's confidence by following school rules so that your child does not feel "different" because he/she is late walking into class or being spoken to or losing "free dress" privileges because of not following the dress code, or being held out of class for not returning required forms to school. If you are prompt in and supportive of complying with school rules, your children will be more comfortable and confident at school.

You can build independence for your little ones by letting school be "their" place--we encourage you to give your hugs and kisses before the second bell rings and let your child join his/her class and walk into class alone after morning prayer. Recess and lunch are some of the most important times for children to build their social skills and friendships at school, so we encourage you to let them have that time to socialize with their peers. They will become more comfortable at school and develop stronger social skills if you let them be independent during these times.

Tardy Policy

Our school day starts when the second bell rings. Students should be in line and ready to pray. Students who arrive at the second bell are held at the doorway or at the gate until prayer and pledge are over. Mrs. Topete and Mrs. Gonzalez will communicate regularly with Mrs. Mullen regarding compliance with this policy. It needs to be a priority to get your child to school on time. The majority of our students are in line and ready to begin on time, and we thank you for that wonderful effort!

Cancer wall

There will be a special cancer prayer tomorrow morning at 8am led by Mrs. Mullen. Everyone is invited to be a part of this special prayer.

Uniform

It has come to our attention that students are wearing black jeans as part of the school uniform. Our uniform policy does not include black jeans or leggings. Students are to wear proper uniform pants and may wear tights if they wish. Shoes must be black with no color accents. Only white trim is acceptable.

Safe Environment for Children

Thank you to the parents who have completed the Safe Environment training. Both fingerprinting and the online class are necessary for all parents who wish to help on campus or attend field trips. If you did not get fingerprinted this week and would like to have them done, please call the office for more information.

Shoo the Flu

Shoo the flu will be here on Monday, Oct 23rd. If you would like your child to receive the flu shot please return the permission slip by tomorrow, Friday.

Reminders

Oct 23rd Shoo the Flu

Oct 31st Noon Dismissal
Halloween Parade 8:30am

Nov 6th Scoliosis Screening

Nov 10th No School- Veterans Day