



# St. Michael Catholic School



## Coming Events

- MAP testing window Sept. 17th-Oct. 12th
- Parent club meeting Wed. Oct. 3rd at 8:45am
- McDonalds lunch Oct. 5th
- Auction Kickoff Thurs. Oct 11th 6-8pm (small hall)
- No School/Staff retreat Friday, Oct. 12th
- Conferences Oct. 17th, 18th and 19th. Early dismissal at 11:30!!
- Free dress Wednesday, Oct. 24th (due to picture day)
- Picture day Oct. 25th.
- Pizza Friday. Oct. 26th
- Fall Carnival Friday Oct. 26th.

## St Michael's Monday Newsletter October 1st, 2018

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 17th-19th. A conference sheet with the date and time for your students conference is attached . If you need to re-schedule please contact Mrs. Chhin in the school office. Just a gentle reminder that on Parent/Teacher Conference days, school is dismissed at 11:30am. Also Extended Care is provided on all three days.

As many parent-teacher organizations suggest, the most effective parent-teacher communication grows out of an earnest and thoughtful collaboration between both parties. Below are parent-teacher conference tips as well as communication suggestions for families to stay involved throughout the school year.

### **Talk openly about your child's school experience.**

Academic progress and behavioral issues are the most common conversations at parent-teacher meetings, but every facet of your child's experience at school is fair game. Teachers can provide a window to your child's social development, engagement and general well-being. Use the opportunity of a parent teacher contact to ask how well your child is integrating socially, what activities or events he/she especially enjoys, and what books and lessons he/she did particularly well with.

If your child exhibits behavioral problems in school, discuss what circumstances might influence his/her behavior. Within the parent-teacher partnership, explore both roots to the problem and strategies for school and home.

### **Share knowledge of your child.**

Strong parent-teacher communication involves parents contributing their understanding to fill in the picture. Offer personal insight into your child that will help the teacher more effectively interact with him or her in the classroom. Share your knowledge of your child's interests, achievements and challenges. Is your child going through any adjustments in his or her life, medical or emotional?

Take care and Peace,  
Dr. Matthews

### **Turkey Trot Update**

We have crossed the \$2,000 mark with 21% participation on our way to our \$10,000 goal! With 100% participation we can not only reach our goal, but surpass it! Every dollar counts! Ask your friends and family - if each donates just \$10 you will easily reach or pass your goal of \$100 as a family! Keep up the good work! Prizes for top 3 fundraisers are an X Box, \$100, and \$50. Thank you to the Parent Club Executive Board for overseeing this event.

## Parent Club Corner

### Quarter Craze

The Quarter Craze is coming and bigger than ever! November 9th (the day after the Turkey Trot!) we are hosting over 35 vendors! Come shop and enjoy food and fun as we bid on wonderful items donated by each vendor! Shopping begins at 3pm. Bidding for the quarter craze will begin at 6pm. Grab your friends and join us!

**Parents Club Meeting** is Wednesday at 8:45 am in the music room. Please join us!

### Safe Environment Class

Sunday, October 7th at 10am (Spanish)  
Sunday, October 14th at 12:00pm (English)

Go to [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) to register.

### **Friendly Reminder:**

If your child is late for school (arriving after 8:30 am) they must be signed in at the office by a parent or guardian, and get a tardy slip from the office before going into their classroom.

### Attendance Procedure

**If your student is going to be late/absent or leaving early, please call Cassie Chhin in the school office at 360-568-0821 ext:102**

### Drop Off/Pick Up

**Just a reminder that all students (Pre-8) are dropped off in the morning downstairs. Our teachers use their mornings to prepare for the day. There will always be a staff member downstairs by 8:20 to supervise the children and help with drop off.**

### Parish News

Next Saturday, Oct. 6th at 2pm, Fr. Milhton will be blessing animals in honor of the Feast of St. Francis that is recognized on Oct. 4th. St. Francis is the patron saint of animals. You are invited to bring your pets to the upper parking lot for a special group blessing.

Hot Lunch Schedule though December. New order forms for both pizza and McDonalds will go home in December for the remainder of the school year. Please note dates on your calendar.

Oct 5th– McDonalds  
Oct. 26th– Pizza

Nov. 9th– McDonalds  
Nov. 30th –Pizza  
Dec. 14th– McDonalds

