



St. Michael Catholic School



Coming Events

- 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.
- Halloween Class parties Wednesday, Oct. 31st
- All Saint's Day Liturgy. Thursday, Nov. 1st (full uniform)
- Noon dismissal Friday, Nov. 2nd (staff development)

St Michael's
Monday Newsletter
October 15th, 2018

Dear Parents,

Turkey Trot-

Some families/students have asked for a pledge packet. This will allow them to collect checks and or cash, since the online can only accept credit cards. Please let us know if you didn't receive a packet and would like one.

The Archdiocese, in assuring a safe environment for our children in Catholic Schools has provided a Kindergarten through Eighth Grade, school based curriculum, "Protecting God's Children, Touching Safety Program for Children". The job of ensuring children's safety is a challenging undertaking. The prevention of child sexual abuse requires more than adult awareness, education, and training about the nature and scope of the problem. We must also give our children the tools they need to overcome the advances of someone who intends to do them harm. The Touching Safety program is a vehicle through which parents, teachers, catechists, and youth ministers (educators) give children and young people the tools they need to protect themselves from those who might harm them.

During the month of October, the teachers using an award-winning **Power to Protect™** video and lesson activates, lay the groundwork to help students apply the message from the lessons to their daily lives. The lessons are organized in a three-year cycle so each child experiences a totally different lesson plan each time the materials are presented. Each child receives the full range of information from the Teaching Touching Safety Guide in small, "digestible" bites, over a three-year period. Then, as a child advances to the next age group, there are a whole new set of age appropriate lessons that explore the major topics in increasingly greater detail.

To support collaboration between parents and teachers in establishing safety guidelines and best practices for caring adults, The "**Teaching Boundary and Safety Guide, is** being provided to all St. Michael School families to assist with the Touching Safety Program for Children.

We also are providing an opt-out form, if for some reason you would prefer your child not take part in the classroom presentations. You need only return the form if you **do not** want you child to participate.

Peace,
Karen Matthews

Parent Club Corner

Harvest Carnival October 26

Don't miss out on our school tradition - join us for the Harvest Carnival! Pumpkin carving contests, costume parade, games, and fun for all members of our school **and** parish! Volunteers are needed to make this event a success - please contact Dr. Karen Matthews for details.

Auction News!

Procurement Letters in the Office

We still have some letters in the office that need to be either hand delivered or mailed to local businesses. This is the absolute easiest way to get your procurement done! Simply sign out the letters, deliver or mail them, and sit back and wait for your procurement to come to you!

Quarter Craze November 9 - Student Vendors Welcome and Volunteers needed!

Come get your holiday shopping started with our fourth annual Quarter Craze! Does your student make and sell crafts or goods? How about letting them participate as a vendor? They can have a table set up beginning right after school and sell their items, keeping their proceeds. All we ask is that they donate 1 item for us to auction off that evening during the Quarter Craze portion of the event. Contact Niki at niki.jeanne@gmail.com for details or to sign up! We need help getting our Quarter Craze set up and having it run smoothly. Please consider helping with set up on November 9th at 12pm, and with the quarter auction event beginning at 5:30pm. Please consider how you can assist.

Most importantly - Mark your calendars for this great event! Open shopping from 3pm-6, followed by the quarter auction from 6-7:30!

TURKEY TROT UPDATE

Our Turkey Trot fundraiser is trotting along! We have raised \$3,200 as of this writing - 1/3 of the way to our goal! Now is the time to get your donation in - do not delay! We have added a new incentive for the students - the student who has the most number of sponsors (not number of \$, but number of people DONATING) will win a free dress pass to be used at any time during the school year (with the exception of Fridays). Let's get to \$5,000 and 50% participation by this Friday! GO!

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



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. 26th– Pizza
Nov. 9th– McDonalds
Nov. 30th –Pizza
Dec. 14th– McDonalds

