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### ***Thursday Gray Notes 10/03/19***

**Memory Verse:** “Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the Kingdom of heaven.”  
– Matthew 18:3-4

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Gray Notes will no longer be sent home following the October 10<sup>th</sup> edition. In an effort to conserve paper and honor the requests of many parents, the Gray Notes will be available on our website, in Classroom Dojo, by email and in the Parent Portal.

#### **8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SPONSORED “BREAKFAST ON THE GO”**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Board and Students would like to thank everyone who contributed and participated in their first “Breakfast On the Go”.

#### **SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER ACADEMY STATE OF THE SCHOOL AND ALICE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN DISCUSSION**

The State of the School Meeting will take place on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 6:00 pm and the school’s Emergency Plan (ALICE) will be discussed immediately follow in the school’s multi-purpose room. All parents/guardians are expected to attend. Pertinent information to long range planning and decisions that impact the school will be shared.

#### **HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION SPONSORED TRIP TO SIGHT & SOUNDS**

Our Home and School Association is sponsoring a trip to see “Miracle of Christmas” at the Sight & Sound Theater in Lancaster, Pennsylvania on Tuesday, December 10, 2019. The showtime is 11:00 am. A coach bus will depart from Saint Francis Xavier Academy at 7:30 am and expected to return at 5:00 pm. Admission fee and transportation cost is \$30.00 for students ages 3-12 and \$60.00 for anyone 13 and above. Deposits for this event are still being accepted. An HSA representative will be in the lobby to collect deposits on this Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 am until 8:15 am.

#### **SCHOOL FALL PORTRAITS AND SCHOOL IDs**

Fall Portraits/IDs were taken on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Make-up Day for Fall Portraits/IDs is Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

## SCHOOL-WIDE CLAIRE'S GOURMET FUNDRAISER

The school-wide Claire's Gourmet Fundraiser is well underway. Fundraiser packets were sent home with all students on Tuesday, September 17th. Completed Order Summary Sheet (small white half sheet), payment (**money order or cash only**) and the Collection Envelope provided by Claire's Gourmet should be forwarded to Mrs. Smith (Administrative Office) by the due date of Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Claire's Gourmet items will be delivered to the school on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. You will be notified of the appropriate time to pick-up your items one week prior to the delivery. All questions regarding the fundraiser should be directed to Mrs. Smith at (202) 581-2010.

## GIRL SCOUTS

Calling all girls from Kindergarten to Grade 3! Unleash your inner girl and become a girl scout today. If interested, contact the Troop Leader of Troop 44076, Amy Prigg ([aprigg60@gmail.com](mailto:aprigg60@gmail.com)).

## CALENDAR

### October 2019

- 3 8<sup>th</sup> Grade sponsored "Breakfast on the Go" 7:00 am – 8:30 am
- 4 Field Trip to Anacostia Park (Elementary Students)
- 9 "Youth Day" Field Trip to Franciscan Monastery (select grades)
- 10 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting @ 5:30 pm
- 11 Mass
- 14 **Columbus Day (School Closed)**
- 15 Claire's Fundraiser Order Forms and Money Due
- 18 Cancer Awareness Prayer Service
- 25 Field Trip to Cox Farm (Pre-K through Grade 2)  
Field Trip to Kelly Miller Farm (select students)  
Mass  
Movie Night
- 29 Claire's Fundraiser Orders Delivered
- 30 Rock Star Event – Field Trip  
State of the School @ 6:00 pm and Home and School Association Meeting afterwards

### November 2019

- 1 All Saint's Day  
Thanksgiving Basket Charity Event Begins
- 4 **Staff "Fall" Collaboration Day (School Closed for Students)**
- 6 **Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm**
- 8 **1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends**  
Black Catholics Prayer Service
- 11 **Veterans Day (School Closed for Students)**  
**Parent/Teacher Conferences**
- 13 **Lifetouch Make-Up Day for IDs/Photos**
- 15 Mass
- 22 Thanksgiving Prayer Service  
**1<sup>st</sup> Installment of Graduation Fee Due**
- 27 Thanksgiving Break 11/27 – 12/1 (School Closed)

### December 2019

- 2 **School Resumes**
- 4 **Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm**
- 6 Lighting of the Advent Wreath/Prayer Service
- 13 Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Service
- 20 **Early Dismissal @ 12:30 pm**  
**Christmas Break Begins**

