

Dear Holy Rosary School Families,

UPDATE

* Our annual fall fundraiser has begun! We will sponsor 3 fundraisers this year to help families to fulfill the yearly, mandatory \$400 fee. This first fundraiser is fully virtual with orders placed online and orders being delivered directly to families at home. These annual fundraisers help support Holy Rosary students directly. We are able to use the money raised to specifically supplement our HRS programs, especially our technology program. Over the summer we upgraded our WIFI system installing commercial quality drops in every classroom and learning area. This has major benefits for our current circumstances but will also be beneficial moving forward. We also purchased additional Chromebook to meet a one to one ratio, installed brand new smart boards and ordered other supplemental materials.

While thankfully times are improving, they are still uncertain and we always proceed cautiously. Even with all that has happened these past 7 months, we must continue to keep in mind being competitive academically with the program and instruction we provide at HRS. So, while we focus on what is front of us now with student safety and maximizing instruction remotely and in person, with God's blessing we also look forward to our future.

*Please be sure to regularly check Dojo, Google Classroom and class pages for important updates and information.

*Our Screenflex dividers have arrived! They were delivered late Friday afternoon and are ready for setup. Mr. Leo and Mr. Luis are working this weekend to get them arranged for Monday morning. Once morning entry is complete on Monday we will work with the teachers in the gym/cafe to make additional adjustments so that we fully utilize the dividers to benefit the students in these areas. We are also in the process of moving student desks in some of these areas as well to maximize the space and create an instructional experience that benefits our in person and remote learners.

*This Friday is a half day with a 12pm dismissal for grades K-8. The afternoon will be an opportunity for faculty collaboration, planning and PD - both on site in person as well as virtual.

COMING SOON

*The family handbook/ and calendar has been completed. Please see below the calendar list of major dates such as holidays, half days, faculty PD days, I am finalizing items such as Open Houses, concerts and Honors Assemblies which have been an important part of our schedule every year. Right now, these events will need to be virtual (and don't we all wish we had stock in Zoom!) but at least gathering virtually for these events will help to maintain the homes/school connection and especially that between our remote and in person families. The traditional calendar/handbook document in the regular format will be emailed to our families.

*We have met with the Arch and will begin virtual ADAPP programs and counselor services this month.

*October is the month to recognize and honor the Rosary which is a special month for Holy Rosary School. We will offer special prayers to our Lady of the Rosary this month and ask for

continued blessings for the Holy Rosary School Community. Please join us in these prayers this month but most especially on October 7th which is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary and our school.

OCTOBER DATES

- 7th Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary
- *9th Early dismissal grade K-8 at 12pm for faculty conference
- *12th Columbus Day – School closed
- *16th NUD – no uniform day – for remote and in person learners

REMINDERS

* Please be sure to regularly check Class Dojo, Google Classroom, class pages and your email so that you remain up to date on information regarding your child's progress.

*If you haven't already done so, please be sure to fill out the family information form on our website

*Tuition payments are due on the 20th of each month; at this time 2 tuition payments should have been made. Please log into your Smart Tuition account and review your account so that you are up to date.

Enjoy the rest of the weekend.

Stay well and God bless,

Mrs. Fusco

2020-2021 CALENDAR DATES**OCTOBER**

- 7th Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary
- 9th 12pm dismissal grades K-8
- 12th School closed – Columbus Day

NOVEMBER

- 11th School closed – Veteran's Day
- 16th Report cards Distributed K-8
- 25th 12pm dismissal grades Pre-K through 8
- 26th -27th School closed Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER

- 4th 12pm dismissal grades Pre-K through 8 for Family/Teacher Virtual Conferences
- 23rd 12pm dismissal grades Pre-K through 8 – Christmas Vacation begins

JANUARY

- 4th School resumes
- 15th Mid-term exams for grades 3-8
- 18th School closed -Martin Luther King Jr Day
- 26th School closed - Arch PD for all Bronx teachers

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Family Update

FEBRUARY

8th Report Cards distributed grades K-8
12th, 15th, 16th School Closed – Presidents Holiday Break

MARCH

10th School closed grades K-8 Faculty Data Review and PD day
31st 12pm dismissal grades K-8 Easter break begins

APRIL

12th School resumes
15th Report cards distributed grades K-8

MAY

14th 12pm dismissal grades K-8 faculty conferences
27th, 28th, 31st, School closed – Memorial Day Break

JUNE

1st School closed - Memorial Day Break
18th Last Day of School

