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Dear Parents, Guardians, and the St. Joseph School and Parish Community,

The first week of October is complete!

This past week, the entire Pre-K took a trip to White Post Farms. They got to participate in a lot of fun activities and interacted with animals – they even got to feed a giraffe!



Speaking of animals, the Kindergarten took time this week to make their very own “odd animals” while learning about the letter “O” in their *Superkids* reading program with their newest Superkid friend, Oswald. Students love meeting each new character and are immersed in a variety of engaging learning activities for each new letter they learn.

The third grade continued their STREAM focus this week – students worked in groups to create the longest chain they possibly could with two pieces of construction paper, 12 inches of tape and scissors in 30 minutes. On the surface this may seem like a simple task, but it’s what goes into it – planning, design, trial and error, teamwork – that is the true focus. STREAM education prepares students to tackle real-life issues they may face across the spectrum of the 21st century world.



Pathways continued in our Middle School this week as well. Here, members of our Creative Writing class discuss imagery in randomly selected pictures in small groups before creating their own stories and poems for different sets of pictures. We came up with a few interesting plots together along the way; I'm blessed to work with such inspired students!



Our Middle School also celebrated together with the Blazer Ceremony at the end of our monthly school mass. 8th graders presented the 6th graders with their blazers on the altar. Afterward, the 6th and 8th grade parents and students enjoyed an outdoor brunch together. What a beautiful way to remind us that we are a school family, and also how important and special the

Middle School years are here at St. Joseph School.

Usually our *Week in Review* ends on Friday, but we have a special bonus event this week: our annual Fall Festival! Hundreds of people from our school community and beyond enjoyed a Saturday of food, bouncy castles, a petting zoo, games, treats, and more! We are glad to host such a wonderful event, an event that grows every year!



We look forward to sharing more with you next week!

Warm Regards,

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