

September 14, 2020

• Dear St. Germaine families,

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable weekend!

Did you see the Sentinel? We made the Second Front Page! <https://www.candgnews.com/news/catholic-school-students-head-back-to-class-in-st-clair-shores-118562>

We're having really great days IN school! With all of us working together, looking out for our own kids as well as everyone else's, our success will continue. Parents of children in grades K – 8 **must check and monitor** each of their children for fever, new or unusual cough, and/or shortness of breath **each day before coming to school**. If any of these symptoms are present you must keep your child(ren) home—please do your due diligence, we're all depending on and trusting each other.

Register here <https://www.shopfund.com/> to set up your dashboard and **encourage online sales for our Morley/Cherrydale fundraiser**—just 6 more days to help us reach or surpass our \$5,000 goal.

Hessell's Greenhouse is delivering **9" potted MUMS** in a variety of colors to our school on Friday, **September 18** by 8 am to **sell for \$10!** Thank you to all of you who "sold" to friends and family, we ended up with 294 pre-ordered pots! There will be many more available for "cash and carry" before and after school. Any left after that will be for sale after Masses September 19 and 20. **Thank you to Mrs. Frrokaj and Mrs. Karchner** for volunteering to be outside before and after school to sort and accept payment!

We have our first full week of school this week!. Please remember to **pack a lunch, a drink and a snack each day**. We will have "Spirit Day" on Friday, September 18—wear your green and white/St. Germaine/Spartan wear with gym/tennis shoes.

Kids love celebrating their birthday at school—many have asked about **birthday treats**. Initially we said, "Not yet, let's get used to our new routine and see how things go." After more consideration and brainstorming (and several birthdays) we have decided that store bought, individually wrapped treats such as Twinkies, bags of chips, or Little Debbie treats are safe and acceptable. Please check with teachers in advance for classroom allergies and appropriate days to bring in birthday treats.

In the next few weeks we will begin our **standardized testing using Renaissance STAR 360**. More information from us will follow in the coming weeks, but please see the attached letter from the archdiocese for some introductory information.

Monday, September 21 is PICTURE DAY! Students may dress in non-uniform, picture appropriate clothing—no open toe shoes please. Order forms will come home today.

We still have **space for more students in grades 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6**. If you know anyone looking for in-person instruction please tell them to contact us!

Looking ahead to another great week!

Peace and blessings!

Mrs. DeGrez