

November 9, 2020

Dear St. Germaine families,

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable weekend! Such beautiful weather for November!

Please continue to **check and monitor** each of your 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 (even if they are simply just not feeling well, they should stay home). We all need to continue to be diligent and even a little over-precautious to help protect each other.

This week: Student Council will meet after school Tuesday, our Men's Club will meet Thursday at 7:30 pm—JOIN THEM, "Rival Day" (see below) is Friday and all 3rd and 4th grade intramural basketball sign-ups are due on Friday.

Student Council will sponsor a **guessing game** where students may guess how many candy corn are in a container—for \$1.00 they will get 3 guesses. This contest will begin soon at lunchtime from now until Thanksgiving break. They will also sponsor "**Rival Day**" on Friday, November 13. Students may pay \$1.00 to dress down and show their support for U of M Wolverines (Maize and Blue) or MSU Spartans (green and White).

Orders are still being accepted for "**mask straps**" made by "Girls Can Do," a "company" formed by our own Abby (3rd grade), Emma (2nd grade) and their grandma. Straps are \$5 each (see (and like)) our school fb page). \$2 from each purchased strap will be donated back to our school. Please email me idegrez@stgermaine.org if you would like to order.

Thank you again to all who participated in our **charity gala raffle** and also a huge thank you to Lindsey Brandon for creating and organizing all the tickets for the baskets—there were a lot! It was very successful, profiting \$4,230! Congratulations to all of our winners too! Please do business with our donors if you are able to and let them know how much we appreciate their support!

Our **Toy Drive** collection runs through December 4. All toys will be donated to children in the Macomb County Child and Family Services programs. Each donation earns 1 service hour.

And don't forget our school – wide **bottle/can drive** which runs the entire month of November. Collect bottles and cans from family, friends or neighbors. Return them and turn in the proceeds to school. The class who collects the most will be treated to a popcorn, candy, movie day!

We WILL open our **Santa Shop** for students this year, December 14 - 17. Help will be needed to set up on December 12 as well as during the day on the 14th – 17th. Look for more information coming home in the next few weeks.

Do you know anyone who is struggling with online/virtual instruction? We still have **open seats for students in 4 year old preschool and 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