



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER September 13, 2019

Dear Families –

With heavy hearts we wish Mrs. Jones good luck as Wednesday was her last day. Her children will be at Our Saviour through Tuesday, September 24th. We will miss the Jones' family! Mr. Rose began taking over the classes Mrs. Jones' taught as of Thursday. Thank you Mr. Rose for stepping up to teach our younger Shamrocks!

Parent Club Teacher Appreciation Helpers Needed! Our teachers and staff give so much to the school and our students that we would like to say that we "APPRECIATE" them! We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to bring in food and treats for the teachers throughout the school year. Monetary donations will also be accepted in lieu of bringing in items, if interested. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lindsay English @ 217-371-1870 or lindsayjackson42@gmail.com

Immunizations and Physicals: Notifications are being sent regarding immunizations or physicals. Please provide us that information ASAP, if you are contacted. If a child does not comply by **October 15** with proof of immunization and/or physical requirements, then they shall be excluded from school until the school receives such proof. Thank you for making this a priority!

Chess Coach: Our Saviour School is looking for a chess coach for this season. If you are interested, please contact Athletic Director, Colleen Doyle, at ad@oursaviourshamrocks.com. Thank you!

Vision and Hearing Screenings: On Thursday, October 10th, a technician will be at Our Saviour School to screen students for vision and hearing. Students in grades kindergarten, second, 8th, new students, and any students recommended by teachers will be screened for vision. For hearing, students in kindergarten, first, second, third, new students and any students recommended by teachers will be screened. Please refer to the handbook for questions.

Homework in the Gym during Arrival: While we encourage students to complete all homework assignments prior to arriving at school, we realize there may be a rare occasion that they forget to complete an assignment, etc. However, to eliminate any potential issues for sharing assignments, if a student must complete their homework in the gym between the 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. arrival time, they must sit in front of the scorer's table in the gym. No homework should be completed in the bleachers. While the teachers are communicating this with the students, I wanted parents to be aware of this change in procedures as well. Thank you!

Grandparents Day Mass: Grandparents Day Mass is Friday, September 20th. Mass is at 8:20 am, followed with some activities at the school.

School Picture Day: School pictures will be taken on October 3rd. This is a non-uniform day – please consult the handbook for appropriate non-uniform clothing. Forms will be going home soon.

Blessing of the Pets: Mark your calendar for our annual Blessing of the Pets on October 4th at 2:00 pm in the West parking lot.

Non-uniform for a Cause: On October 7th, students, faculty, and staff are invited to wear PINK for \$1.00 with the proceeds going towards the RCHS Volley for the Cure.

Student Safety/Bullying Awareness Presentations: For this school year, we are looking at providing Bullying Awareness presentations and Internet Safety/Social Media presentations for both our students and parents. We are planning to have the Bullying presentations for grades 4 – 8 on September 16 during the school day. We will have a parent night reviewing the presentation on Thursday, September 26th at 6:00 pm in the gym. These presentations will describe what bullying is/is not, what students can do if they are bullied, what others can do if they see bullying occurring, etc. Emphasis will be placed on ending bullying with kindness and acceptance. Additional information

for parents will include how to recognize if your child is being bullied, how to help your child at home, and how to work with the school to prevent further issues. We hope our parents will join us on September 26th! The Internet Safety/Social Media presentations will occur later in the year.

The **Springfield Catholic Athletic Association (SCAA)** is searching for **5th and 6th grade girls basketball teams** to participate in a league this fall. Any 5th or 6th grade parents interested in putting a girls basketball team together to participate in this league, please contact Dale Lynch as soon as possible at 217-416-0085. They would like to start the season before the end of the month, depending on the number of teams entered, so are looking for final counts from schools as soon as possible. **As a reminder, the handbook states, “For recreational teams, the “Our Saviour School” and/or “Shamrocks” cannot be used unless permission is given from the principal AND all students for that particular grade level are invited to participate.**

Fine Arts Boosters: Our Saviour School and Routt Catholic High School would like to thank the following individuals for their generous donations to our Fine Arts Boosters: Brad and Sarah Cors, Bill and Missy Naeve, Ben and Michelle Brickey, Jewell Maul and Family, Josh and Milee Butcher, Trevor and Monica Huffman, Chris and Jennifer Williams, Frank and Tamara Emerick, Jane M Kamp, Mike and Nancy Bartlett, Angela and Kenny Davis, Thad and Gina Walker, Mike and Michelle May, Will and Ann Whalen, Andrew and Stephanie Parlier, Neil and Rita Rossi, The Zettler Family, David and Becky McCartney, Christian and Beth Secrist, Jason and Amy Wheeler, Chris and Ashley Ingram, and Pat and Stevie VanDeVelde. Thank you for supporting our Fine Arts Programs!!!!

Volley for the Cure: The 12th Annual Volley for the Cure match between Routt Catholic and JHS will be take place on Monday, Oct. 7th at the Routt Dome. The Freshman match will start at 5:00pm, with Junior Varsity and Varsity matches to follow. Admission for the night will be \$5. As always, all proceeds will be given to The Mia Ware Foundation. Thanks for helping the Lady Rockets and the Lady Crimson in their efforts to assist The Mia Ware Foundation in the fight against breast cancer. See you on Oct. 7th!

Magic Match: Mason Sound has become a Magic Match sponsor for the 2019-20 school year recently. Thank you for supporting this program!

Mrs. Beeley’s class challenged us to “Be the One” to shine our lights like Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton. Through many hardships she found ways to keep the faith and show kindness to all. Saint Elizabeth Seton was responsible for opening the first Catholic school in America and later an order of religious sisters- dedicating her life to serving the Lord. Mrs. Beeley’s class encouraged us to show kindness to all and thankfulness for our Catholic school by practicing our Shamrock 5 – Pick up after yourselves and others! They provided many shout outs to their fellow classmates and other Shamrocks this week. Thank you Mrs. Beeley’s class!

Blessings,

Mrs. Stevie VanDeVelde

Dates to Remember:

September 20 – 11:30 Dismissal – No PM bus service

September 20 – Grandparents Day Mass – 8:20 a.m.

September 22 – Sacramental Prep for 2nd graders – 9:30 a.m. – Upper Convent

September 25 – Sports pictures for baseball, softball, cross country, golf, and girls basketball

September 26 – Advisory Board – 7 p.m. – Upper Convent

September 27 – Spirit Wear Day – Routt Homecoming Parade – 1:15 p.m.

October 2 – Parent Club – Pack the Place at Leo’s Pizza

October 3 – Picture Day – Non-uniform day – forms will be coming home

October 4 – Blessing of the Pets – 2:00 pm

October 6 – Confirmation Practice/Retreat – immediately following 10:30 Mass – Grades 5 – 7

October 6 – Children’s Choir performs at 10:30 Mass

October 7 – RCHS Volley for the Cure – Donate \$1.00 and wear pink

October 8 – Confirmation – 6:00 pm for grades 5 – 7

October 9 – Parent Club Meeting – 6 pm – Art/Science lab

October 10 – No pm Bus Service

October 10 – Hearing and vision testing – see information above

October 11 – SIP – 11:30 dismissal

October 11 – No Bus Service

October 11 – End of 1st Quarter

October 13 – Shamrock Scramble

October 14 – Columbus Day – No School

October 14 – ILMEA

October 15 – Sports Banquet – baseball, softball, golf, cross country – KC Hall – 7:00 pm – Dessert Only

October 18 – Report Cards Home