



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER November 13, 2020

Dear Families –

I would like to congratulate our 5th grade class on receiving their confirmation sacrament this week. We are looking forward to the 3rd and 4th graders receiving this sacrament next week!

Covid Updates: As we continue to stay “anchored” in our efforts to keep the majority of our students in in-person learning, we are finding that we need to make some adjustments. Teachers are working diligently to meet daily requests for homework pick-up but are struggling to keep up, with limited time to do so. **Effective immediately, we will not take homework requests unless a student is out of school for MORE THAN TWO DAYS.** At the end of the 2nd day, if your child is still going to be out, then parents should contact the teacher directly via email to request homework.

As we continue to work very hard to keep our school open, we ask that you are mindful of your social interactions outside of school and on the weekends. We are all in this together and our ultimate goal is to keep our students / your children safe and to benefit from in-person learning as much as possible. Please help us to keep our student in school!

The CDC is not recommending the use of neck gaitors. With this recommendation, **beginning November 30th, ALL students must be in masks. Neck gaitors cannot be work in lieu of face masks.**

We have had situations where a student is quarantined **based on being a close contact.** According to IDPH and the Morgan County Health Department, a person CANNOT “test out of being quarantined”. They must quarantine for the time period, regardless of any Covid test result.

Remote Learning Students: Even those students who are remote learning must continue to contact the office if they are quarantined due to being a close contact or if they have a Covid positive test result. We need this information in order to be prepared for student re-entry on November 30th.

Gourmet Popcorn 8th Grade Fundraiser: The 8th grade class is selling the gourmet popcorn from November 16 – 20 for the 8th grade class trip. Please contact an 8th grader if interested. Also, the fundraiser will be virtual – with a link on our website to our virtual popcorn store. Thank you for your support of these students. (The popcorn is delicious!)

Picture Retakes: Picture retakes are Friday, November 20th. If you would like your child’s picture retaken, please have your child bring the original picture packet back to school that day so you will not be charged for a new packet. Also, if your child was not here during the original picture days, please plan for them to take their picture then. The students may wear non-uniform to get their picture taken, but then need to bring their uniform to change into. (Pictures will be taken first thing in the morning.) Thank you.

Parent Club Pie Pickup: Parent Club Pie pickup will be this Monday 11/16 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. **The pickup location has changed to Our Saviour School.** Please check-in by the front door and someone will get your order for you. Items are delivered frozen and cannot be held. Please make arrangements to have a responsible party collect your order during those times. Contact Court Hager at 217-370-3649 with questions.

Loose Change for Lockers: Thank you to everyone who participated in the Comfy Clothes day and the Loose Change for lockers – week 1! We appreciate your support of the locker fundraiser. While we are calling it Loose Change for Lockers, this is another way parents can earn service hours this year. Every \$10 donated counts as one service hour! (Remember – parents keep track of their own service hours.) We look forward to your participation as we enjoy some non-uniform days for the winners! Good luck to all of the classes!

National Diabetes Awareness Day: In support of our students with diabetes and JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation), we will have a “blue” non-uniform day for \$1.00 on Monday, November 16th. Please consider wearing blue to support our students with diabetes and the JDRF.

For our scripture quote this week, Mrs. Davis' class chose Psalm 139:14 – "I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well."

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 7TH AND 8TH GRADE HIGH HONOR AND HONOR ROLL!

Our Saviour School 2020-2021 First Quarter Honor Roll

High Honors

8th Grade:

Charlie A
Faith B
Ava C
Jessica D
Abby K
Aiden M
Karsyn M
Brianne R

High Honors

7th Grade:

Claire B
Sophie C
Janela C
Grant N

Honors

8th Grade:

Izzie B
Devon C
Hannah C
Kate C
Jocelyn E
Lauren E
Lily H
Adam H
Brock R
Trisha S
Jenna V

Honors

7th Grade:

Hector A
Alek B
Dalton B
Jacob B
Eli B
A.J. C
Grace C
Cannon C
Owen G
Easton H
Kamdyn J
Avel J
Kendall L
Meaghan M
Bryson M
Harrison S
Talon T
Brady T

With Shamrock Blessings,

Mrs. Stevie VanDeVelde

Dates to Remember:

November 16 - Parent Club Pie Delivery - 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM - OSS

November 17 – Confirmation for 4th grade – 6:00 pm – Our Saviour Parish

November 19 – Confirmation and 1st Communion for 3rd grade – 6:00 pm – Our Saviour Parish

November 22 - 1st Reconciliation Parent/Student meeting – immediately following the 10:30 am Mass

December 21 – No JSD117 Bus Service for AM and PM

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February 12 – No JSD117 Bus Service for AM and PM

March 29, 30, 31 – No Bus Service for AM and PM

April 1 – No Bus Service for AM and PM

May 14 – No PM Bus Service

May 26 – No JSD117 Bus Service for AM and PM

JSD 117 Bus Service: Please use this list for JSD117 bus service for this year. Of course, this could change if they are in remote learning and we are not.

November – Bus service EXCEPT for November 3rd

December – Bus service EXCEPT for December 21st

January – Bus service for the entire month

February – Bus service EXCEPT for February 12th

March – Bus service EXCEPT for March 29, 30, 31

April – Bus service EXCEPT for April 1st

May – Bus service except for May 14th - no PM Bus and No bus service AM/PM on May 26th