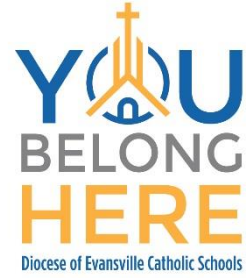




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Parent Newsletter

Friday, September 11, 2020



EARLY DISMISSAL DAY

On Wednesday, September 16, the K-5 students will be dismissed at 12:45 p.m. so that the teachers can participate in professional development related to Google Classroom. The public schools in Mt. Vernon are NOT dismissing early on September 16th. Buses will run at their normal time (2:25 and 2:45). Students who need to ride the bus can stay at After School Care free of charge until their bus arrives. After School Care will be available until 6:00 p.m. as always. The Child Care Ministry will be open until 5:30 as usual.

MIDTERMS

Believe it or not, we are already at the halfway point of the 1st grading period. Midterm reports can be found in your child’s Friday Folder. Remember to log in to PowerSchool to view your children’s grades each week. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child’s teacher.



GRANDPARENTS DAY

Because of COVID-19, we are not able to invite our grandparents to join us for Mass on Grandparents Day this year. However, we would like to invite them to pray with us on Thursday, September 17th at 8:15 a.m. as we celebrate a special Mass dedicated to our grandparents. Please share the link to Fr. Ryan’s YouTube page with them. We love our grandparents very much!

<http://www.youtube.com/c/FrRyanHilderbrand>.

SCRIP INFORMATION

In today’s Friday Folder, you will find information about the Scrip program and the new Raise Right app. SCRIP cards are a great way to help raise money for St. Matthew School without a fundraising event. Just purchase gift cards for yourself or others on the website or app, and the school will get a percentage of the purchase donated back!



OKTOBERFEST TICKETS

Each student received an envelope containing tickets for the Oktoberfest drawings and half-pot. The envelope can be found in today’s Friday Folder. If you need additional tickets, please contact the office. Be sure to check out the online silent auction beginning September 26th!



STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

This week, the 3rd through 5th graders held their Student Council elections for 2020-2021. We want to congratulate the following students who will serve as Student Council representatives this year: Abbey, Samuel, Olive, Kalyn, MacKinley, Emily R., Isaac G., Kace, and Stella M. Thank you for volunteering to lead and serve!

PRESCHOOL STAFF MEMBER NEEDED

The St. Matthew Child Care Ministry has an opening for a staff member from 12:30-5:30 p.m. each day. They are seeking someone who is energetic, dedicated, loving, and a team player. This person will collaborate with the morning teacher to teach lessons in the afternoon. Applicant must have a high school diploma. If you or someone you know might be interested in finding out more about the position, please contact Heidi.

SEPTEMBER PTO MEETING

This month's PTO meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 16th at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held virtually through Zoom. To join the meeting, go to the link below. If you are unable to join the meeting by clicking the link, copy and paste the URL link into your address bar. If you still have trouble, feel free to contact Stephaine.

AZZIP PIZZA'S POT OF DOUGH

St. Matthew School has been chosen to participate in Azzip Pizza's Pot of Dough Fundraiser! This means that every time you go to Azzip, now through the end of November, St. Matthew School will receive 5% of your purchase. If you order in the store, show them our unique scan code at the check-out. If you order online, use the code STMATTHEW. Also, every dollar you spend will give St. Matthew School an entry into a chance to win \$10,000 from the Pot of Dough Drawing!



SPIRIT WEAR

New St. Matthew Spirit shirts can be ordered online through Southwest Grafix during the month of September by going to our online store and setting up an account at <https://stores.southwestgrafix.com/stmatthewcubs/shop/home>. Dress code shirts with the St. Matthew School logo can be ordered using the order form found in last week's Friday Folder. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



2020-2021 SCHOOL YEARBOOK

In last week's Friday Folder, you received a flyer with information on how to order your 2020-2021 St. Matthew School Yearbook. Mrs. Deig and Mrs. Dalrymple are chairing this special project. If you have any questions, feel free to contact either of them.

BIDDY BALL (Grades K-2)

After careful consideration, the decision has been made to put Bidy Ball on hold for the current school year. In order to abide by social distancing guidelines, we would need to limit attendance of parents/spectators and ensure everyone was 6' apart. Unfortunately, with the limited seating that is available in the St. Philip gym, we feel it would be extremely challenging to meet these social distancing guidelines. As a result, we felt for the safety of our players, families, and community, it would be best to postpone Bidy Ball until we can properly accommodate more people in the gym. We sincerely appreciate your understanding with this tough decision. We look forward to resuming Bidy Ball in the fall of 2021!





WALK-A-THON

The 2nd Annual St. Matthew Walk-a-thon will take place on Monday, September 21st. This is a very important fundraiser and a fun-filled afternoon for the students. Donations from your child's sponsors can be mailed to the school or turned in at the office anytime during the month of September. Pray for good weather on September 21st!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We want to wish each of our students and staff members celebrating a birthday this month a very happy birthday!

September 10 – Kaylee H.
September 15 – Griffin
September 22 – Stella H.
September 22 – Mr. Sommerfield
September 24 – Emily R.
September 24 – James
September 25 – Mrs. Hayden (Youth First)
September 27 – Delaney
September 30 – Jaxon R.



LUNCH MENU

Monday, September 14

Mini Corn Dogs or Chef Salad with Breadstick
Steamed Broccoli, Glazed Carrots, Diced Pears, and Milk

Tuesday, September 15

Pepperoni Pizza or Chef Salad with Breadstick
Green Beans, California Blend, Strawberry Cup, and Milk

Wednesday, September 16

BBQ Meatballs & Breadstick or Chef Salad with Breadstick
Baby Carrots with Ranch, Baked Beans, Baked Cinnamon Apples, and Milk

Thursday, September 17

Hamburger or Cheeseburger or Chef Salad with Breadstick
California Blend, Baked Beans, Pineapple, and Milk

Friday, September 18

Cheese Quesadilla or Chef Salad with Breadstick
Corn, Salsa, Mixed Fruit, and Milk