A ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OCTOBER 24, 2024



THURSDAY PACKET



Weekly Parent Newsletter

Dear Parents,

We had a wonderful week here at school. On Wednesday, we celebrated the Feast of Saint Anthony Gianelli, founder of The Daughters of Our Lady of The Garden, in honor of our Sisters ~ Sr. Daisy, Sr. Donna, Sr. Sheeba and Sr. Eva here at St. Rocco School. Their dedication goes beyond our classroom and reaches each child and family at our school. We feel very blessed to have them.

We are very excited and preparing for our Fall Open House here at school. It will be on November 17th, after 10:00 am Mass. We would love to see our children from school come to Mass dressed in uniform and/or come to our Open House from 11:00am-12:30pm. If your child is available, could you please let his or her homeroom teacher know. We know children get hungry and we will be providing pizza and donuts at our event. It is a great opportunity for children to brag about their school.

We are also adding a beautiful addition to our school beginning on November 4^{th} . We are welcoming Emerald, a Golden Retriever, full of love and comfort to our school. Emerald will be joining us on a biweekly basis, and she is sure to bring joy to all our children. A permission slip will be sent home with your child in the next few days as well as a more detailed information regarding the program.

Thank you to all the volunteers we have in our school. Your children are thrilled to see their parents and/or grandparents helping at our school. You bring a different source of love and joy into St. Rocco's. We are very grateful. We are planning to have Grandparents Day in November. We will send out details very soon.



Please be sure to follow us on Instagram and Facebook and like our pages. Our staff and our children enjoy sharing their experiences with their friends and family.



Have a Blessed Day.

Mrs. D'Amico

Friendly Reminders

**IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT FEELING WELL, please keep them home and call or email the SCHOOL OFFICE FIRST to report them absent. You may send an email to your child's teacher and to the nurse, but initially, the phone call/email must be to the School Office. If you are unsure if you should send your child to school, call the office to speak to the nurse. Please contact the Nurse with

any questions. A friendly reminder students in Middle School who are out sick can only request school work after they have been out sick for three consecutive days. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.



LUNCH - Lunch is \$3.60/per day. Many children are coming to school without lunch money! Please remember lunch money is due the day your child orders. You can pay in advance if you want and can pay with check or cash.



Nutella is made from NUTS and is not allowed in our school. Please do not send your child in with this snack because we are peanut/treenut free! Thank you!

DRESS DOWN DAY POLICY/MONTHLY PASSES ~ Each month throughout the school year, beginning in October, St. Rocco School will be offering special dress down passes for the month. You may purchase the monthly passes for November for the cost of \$5.00. The "Dress Down Day" passes are for Mondays only (If your child is scheduled for gym class on Monday, the dress down pass is for Tuesday only). Please place the money in a clearly labeled envelope with the required form with your child's name, grade, along with your payment. (Checks ONLY) Passes will NO LONGER be sent home. Teachers and the office will keep track of who paid for Monthly Dress Down. This is a more streamlined way to offer Dress Down Days as well as us saving paper! There will also be days designated as a *Dress Down Day* for charities, celebrations, recognitions, etc. Please check the monthly calendars as these days will be noted. *October Dress Down Passes are due October 20th.

Label your child's coats/backpacks/lunch bags, etc. — We already have an abundance of jackets/sweaters/sweatshirts that are on the stage, unclaimed. Please put your child's name in their clothes, backpacks, lunch boxes, etc.



<u>Cross Country</u> – Jerseys were due back this week. We are still missing a few uniforms. Please wash and put in a bag labeled with your child's name.







ST. ROCCO SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

Where our Children always come first!

Alison Anderson - President Selina Scarcella - Treasurer Danielle Cazzarro ~ Vice President Shayanna Jenkins~Hernandez ~Secretary

Save the Date for our Upcoming Events



Halloween Games Extravaganza - Wednesday October 30th 8:30am-12:30pm: This is an in-school event you will need a BCI to volunteer for. This Event is filled with Halloween fun, games and prizes for Pre-K-Elementary. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Shayanna at shayanna38@gmail.com.



Our Halloween Games Spruce-Up is *Today* after school 2:45pm in the gym. It will be light painting and touching up of games no carpentry skills needed! Please join us for an hour or so to get our games in tip-top shape!

Trunk or Treat - Thank you to all our volunteers, candy donators and Trunk Decorators! Trunk or Treat was a great success! We had a beautiful day for it and a wonderful turnout. We cannot thank everyone enough for their participation and support.

Dine Out Fundraiser - Save the Date - Thursday November 7th will be our 1st SRS Parent Association Dine Out Night at Chelo's Cranston. Please see attached flyer as well as your Thursday packet to have 20% of your take out or dine in check donated back to the school. *Paper ticket must be presented (digital image is not valid)*. Each student will receive 4 flyers please cut and pass these out to friends and family.

Save The Date - Our Next Parent Association Meeting will be Monday, November 4th at 6:30 in Cafe Rocco. Please come to discuss upcoming events and discuss new Fundraising and Event ideas!

Calendar Sales Final Days - Support SRS Fall Fundraiser

Calendar Raffle sales are ending 10/25 - tomorrow! Daily drawings of all our prizes begin November 1st! So don't miss out! \$360 worth of cash prizes on the weekends and each day you could win \$50. + in gift certificates to amazing local businesses. For \$10 you support your student and local businesses. Win, win! Our target per student/family is to sell 10, but you can sell as many as you like. For every 5 Calendars a student sells they are entered into a special student raffle! It's not too late to request more calendars so email or call the office today office@stroccoschool.org

We are hoping for 100% participation. All proceeds will go directly to the students for field trips, events and activities! Please feel free to reach out to the office or Alison aanderson@stroccoschool.org with questions. Thank you in advance for your help and support!

If you would like to volunteer for any of this year's events or help in any way, please reach out to the Alison at aanderson@stroccoschool.org. We are looking forward to continuing this year with more amazing events and activities for the students and families that create connection and lasting memories!



Classroom News

2nd Grade – Sister Daisy Kollamparampil



We are Blooming for Jesus in Second Grade!



In second grade, we work hard to bloom for Jesus. We recognize that we are God's gift, and we share our gifts with others. We learned that, through baptism, we became children of God and received the gift of faith. Jesus calls us to give ourselves in love and gives us the Great Commandment, Love God and Love Others. Keeping this in mind, we pray for all people in the world. We are looking forward to our All Saints Day celebration. Come

and celebrate with All Saints!

In Math we are learning how to solve various problems, adding and subtracting, understanding place values, comparing numbers, rounding, estimating, etc. We are looking forward to learning Data and Graphs: using operations. It is going to be a lot of fun!



Our Reading program brings us excitement and curiosity. Besides reading, grammar, and Phonics, we are focusing on reading various types of stories, such as Realistic Fiction, Informational text and Poetry. We are excited to write our own poems. Now we are getting ready to write about a scarecrow. Watch! It is on the way!

Science is fun! We learned about plants, animals, and their life cycles. We enjoyed doing hands-on activities and projects. Our Scholastic News Magazine articles enrich us with knowledge, proficiency and excitement. We had so much fun observing various objects in the classroom and writing about it. We also had a lot of fun with our Pumpkin activity and learned about the Life Cycle of a Pumpkin. Our Pumpkin was 12 pounds, 11 inches and had 417 seeds in it.



In Social Studies, we learned about the 3 types of Communities, Government leaders, their responsibilities and functions, the 3 Branches of the Government and their functions. We loved the projects! Now we are getting ready to travel to the White House. We are looking for an educational and enjoyable trip!

Well, we are so busy learning and having fun that the day goes by without even realizing it. Second grade is so much fun!

Sr. Daisy Kollamparampil, FMH





Haunted Happenings around St. Rocco's School





Save the Date

Wednesday, October 30th Parent Association Halloween in-school event

Friday, November 1st All Saints Day Mass – 9:00 am

Tuesday, November 5th No Johnston Bussing

Wednesday, November 6th Veterans Day Prayer Service – 9:00 am

Friday, November 8th Independent Learning Day – No School

Monday, November 11th Veterans Day – No School

Tuesday, November 26th Enthronement Mass – 9:00 am

2nd Gr. Thanksgiving Play 1:30 pm

Wednesday, November 27th Independent Learning Day – ½ day – No School

Thursday, November 28th Thanksgiving Day – No School

Friday, November 29th Day after Thanksgiving – No School



Courage – "Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord." Psalm 31:24

CHRIST is the reason for this school. ~in our minds, on our lips, and always in our hearts~