



**St. Rocco**  
**School**

*Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!*

**THURSDAY**  
**PACKET**

Weekly Parent Newsletter



Dear Parents,

It has once again been a great week here at St. Rocco's School. Our basketball teams have been practicing with the help of our wonderful parent/grandparent coaches. Our teachers and your children are preparing to end the first trimester, which is November 21<sup>st</sup>! Please remember to communicate with our faculty if you have any concerns regarding missing work or tests.

Today we celebrated with our grandparents. We had 3 separate and different performances, depending on your child's grade. We saw some grandparents come to 2 or 3 of them because of the ages of their grandchildren! It was wonderful to see so many families here today! Thank you to Mrs. Rachdouni and Mrs. Mucchio, our Music and Art/Spanish teachers, who put this entire day together. We also need to recognize the staff and faculty who helped, as well as moved their schedules around to accommodate this very special day. It takes a village!

We have a very busy week and a half ahead, before going into our Thanksgiving break. Please be sure to Follow us on Instagram and Facebook as we are posting all the amazing happenings at our school!

God bless,  
Mrs. D'Amico

### Don't Forget:

DRESS DOWN DAY POLICY/MONTHLY PASSES ~ \*December Dress Down Passes are due **November 20<sup>th</sup>**.



Ongoing Outreach: St. Rocco School Annual Food Drive and Coat Drive:  
Thank you in advance for helping us live out our mission

Wreath Sale ~ 12" Balsam Fir Decorated Wreaths

Cost: \$20.00 Each ~ **All Order Forms Must Be In By November 15<sup>th</sup>** ~

**\*\*\*Financial Aid applications for the 2025-2026 school year are now being accepted through FACTS Management. Please log onto FACTS Management at [www.factsmgt.com](http://www.factsmgt.com) to begin your application process. Financial Aid is only awarded to students entering Kindergarten to Grade 8 for the 2025-2026 school year.\*\*\***

## Fundraising Opportunities

- **Stop & Shop Cards** - Cards may be purchased at the Church Rectory Office from 9:00am-3:00PM. Remember, you may pre-order large quantities. All money raised through your fundraising efforts will be applied to your account in early February.
- **ScripZone**- Purchase gift cards through ScripZone before you go shopping to use for your normal everyday purchases. Please see the attached flyer for more information. The deadline for orders is November 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Special Shout Out to our PK4 dad – Domenic Capozolli – who put together and installed our new bench for the playground!**

**He also helped carry out our new picnic table along with one of our regular plumbers at the school. This is what makes St. Rocco's School Community so great! Thank you both!**



## **ST. ROCCO SCHOOL PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWS**

Where our Children always come first!

**Please see the 2 attached flyers for our Parent Association Newsletter and the Updated Parent Association Calendar**

# Classroom News

## *Fifth Grade News ~ Ms. Martin's Class*

This fall, St Rocco's fifth graders have engaged in many learning activities to expand their academic, social-emotional, religious, and executive functioning skills as well as to develop their knowledge and curiosity about the world in which they live.



In English Language Arts, the children have read different genres such as informational text, historical fiction, realistic fiction, and poetry to gain insight into how people in the past and present have taken journeys to challenge themselves, make discoveries, and to achieve better lives. Through close reading, annotation, and analysis skills used, students have worked together in “station rotation” designed activities that build upon fluency, comprehension, word study, and writing lessons.

This trimester, our class has had the pleasure of collaborating with Providence College student teachers who support the children in small groups developing math concepts. Through solving addition and multiplication word problems, using estimation and exactness, students learned how these skills and strategies can be utilized when shopping or running a business. The goal is for students to realize the realistic purpose and application of math skills to benefit their lives.



In Science and Social Studies lessons, students continued to investigate their world. Through discovering the similarities and differences found amongst animal and plant cells and within the United States geography, the children learn how cells and people function in different environments to promote growth and survival.

Our religious studies have developed students' understanding of the Catholic Christian identity. We have discussed ways in which Jesus calls us to worship through the seven sacraments. Students learned about the significance of Baptism and Confirmation in their spiritual lives. Our focus on the virtues of kindness, courage, and thankfulness were put into action through making get well cards for a staff member. Through mindfulness activities of daily meditation/breathing, students are learning to promote calm and feelings of peacefulness within and around themselves.

In our learning community, we work together to support, model, and motivate each other to be learners who make mistakes but persevere and celebrate each other's achievements.





# Grandparent's Celebration

Today we celebrated with our students' grandparents!!



Thank you, Mrs. Rachdouni and Mrs. Muccio, for a beautiful Grandparent's Celebration!

Thank you to all the staff who helped make this happen!



## Save the Date

Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>

Dress Down Day \$1.00 – Emmanuel House –  
Wear Green

Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

Enthronement Mass – 9:00 am  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gr. Thanksgiving Play 1:30 pm

Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>

Independent Learning Day – ½ day – **No School**

Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>

Thanksgiving Day – **No School**

Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

Day after Thanksgiving – **No School**

Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

Picture Retake Day

Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

First Friday Mass

Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Concert-PK3-1<sup>st</sup> grade – 1:30 Café Rocco

2<sup>nd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade – 6:00 pm in St. Rocco Church

Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>

1 1:30 Dismissal – start of Christmas Break

Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

Christmas Break

Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>

School resumes



### *Thankfulness*

*O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.  
1 Chronicles 16:34*

**CHRIST** is the reason for this school.

*~in our minds, on our lips, and always in our hearts~*