



ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Fall is a wonderful time! As we move into the month of October, there are many upcoming events and activities to be aware of.

- Wednesday, October 4, we are having a 'blessing of the pets' in celebration of the feast of St. Francis. Feel free to bring a pet, either on a leash or in a cage, to participate in a blessing by Father Tom P.C. at 3:05 PM on the prayer lines. More specific information will be sent out through Classroom Dojo on Monday, October 2.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences will take place on Thursday, October 5 at scheduled times throughout the day. All families should have received a Sign-Up Genius link to sign up for this mandatory event. If you have not been able to sign up, classroom teachers will be in contact with you very soon. There is no school on Friday, October 6.
- We have scheduled our first two fall retreats; K4, K5, and 1st grade will have their retreat at St. Francis Seminary on Tuesday, October 10. 8th grade students will have their retreat at the Pallottine Retreat Center in Elkhorn on Tuesday, October 24.
- Please help your students be mindful of our new cell phone policy which prohibits the use of any cell phones on campus during our school day, with special emphasis on no cell phone use immediately after school.
- Our roller skating unit, through the physical education program, begins on Tuesday, October 10. If you have not sent back your student's permission slip, please do so as soon as possible.
- Halloween is just around the corner! Save the date for our Halloween Party which will take place on Saturday, October 28. Please use discretion when purchasing costumes, as we do not allow the students to brandish weapons or wear adult themed costumes that are reflective of rated-R or rated-M movies or television shows from popular culture.
- We are starting a new 'homework initiative' where we are instructing teachers to send home simple Dojo messages that will tell you that a student did not complete homework for the day. If you get one of these messages, you will know on that day that your student did not complete scheduled homework. We are doing this in an effort to improve communication between home and school, and also to emphasize the development of good habits as they relate to a student's academic progress. Please make sure that you are connected with your student's Dojo account.

In Gratitude,

Joe Fryda
Principal

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