From the Principal's Desk



September 17, 2020



Holy Spirit School Inspiring Minds/Igniting Hearts 2020/2021

"Protect the Creation; Praise the Creator"

Stringing together the days....

We've had a great week at school and it truly was lovely to see so many of you at the Back to School Nights. I certainly hope that you enjoyed the opportunity to have a least a little "face time" with the teachers and see the classrooms.

Hopefully you have developed a routine at home at this point for homework and being ready for the next day. We all know children thrive on routine and having a set place to do homework, a set way to pack bags for the next day, and a set place to store those school shoes and backpacks help make for smoother mornings.

Of course we also cannot forget the need for getting the children back on a regular sleep schedule. The protracted time off from school was an easy time to get away from a steady bedtime. The children at Holy Spirit of the ages where it is recommended that they get anywhere from 9 - 12 hours of sleep (doesn't that sound lovely!).

Next week, on Tuesday, September 22nd, the Fall Yearbook pictures will be taken. All students should wear their regular uniform to school (no P.E. uniforms). Please see the information below for the digital copy of the order form.

Additionally next week there will be a virtual parent meeting for those with students in grades 4-8 who are interested in band. Dr. Little, the band instructor, will be providing the information on access to the meeting.

On Sunday, September 27th, Holy Spirit Parish and School will host the Annual Diocesan Mass Celebrating Disabilities Awareness Month. This will be the 10:30 am Mass. Please join us.

Beginning on Tuesday, September 29th, we will be hosting the Design for Excellence Visiting Team assigned to us for the final step of our re-accreditation process. So, if we look even more tired (is that possible?) and seem a little more harried, you will know why!

On Friday, October 2nd, we have an 11:30 am dismissal from school due to the conclusion of the self-study. There is NO afternoon Extended Day on that Friday.

And if you can believe it, interims for the 1st Trimester are on the horizon. For students in Grades 3-8 who have a 75% or below, a paper interim will go home on Friday, October 9th. This would be a terrific time to take a perusal of the Parent Portal and make sure that your login credentials are working. If you have questions about your login, please contact Mrs. Lacled (llaclede@holyspiritflames.org).

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Spirit School!

-Maureen Ashby

Principal

Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire

We continue to work on an App for the daily health screening. Students must continue to arrive at school each day with a paper copy of the completed form. We are asking for the paper copy for now as trying to manage emails from families at the start of each day is not workable or practical for the staff.

Required Symptom Screening Questionnaire - 8.27.2020



Picture Day!
It is right around the corner!

September 22, 2020

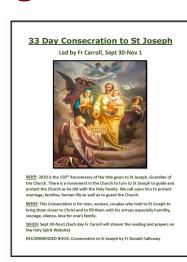
Pictures for the yearbook will be taken on Tuesday, September 22nd.

Please note that you must download and print the attached order form if you are interested in purchasing pictures. We do not have paper copies of the form.

Click here for picture order form!

Parish Happenings!







Community Happenings!



We're Still Scouting!

Are you interested in joining Cub Scout this fall? Learn leadership skills, what is means to be a good citizen, how to care for and explore God's creation in nature, and so much more.

Chartered by the Holy Spirit Catholic Church Men's Club, Cub Scout Pack 50 serves boys from kindergarten through 5th grade. Boys have the opportunity to learn and grow in important character-building ideals while participating in fun activities such as day hikes, family camping, Pack campfires, Pinewood Derby, summer camps and more! The Pack is broken up into "dens" grouped by age and led by parent "den leaders" with all parents pitching in to help guide various activities.

Join us for a 'Join Scouting Night' informational parent meeting on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 on the front lawn of Holy Spirit Catholic Church (5121 Woodland Way in Annandale) at 6:30pm. Alternatively, you can attend the same meeting virtually via Zoom on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 6:30pm.

For more information, please email Pack50@holyspiritchurch.us



JOIN PANTHERS ON THE PATIO FOR

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

LEARN HOW YOUR CHILD WILL EXCEL AT PVI!

September 24, 29 or 30 October 1 or 6

Outside Event. Social Distancing Followed. Masks Required.

TO REGISTER: WWW.PAULVI.NET/CONVO



FAMILY FOLDER

The following flyers may be found in the folder labeled "September 17, 2020" on the website. For your convenience, some flyers are repeated.



School Flyers:

- 1. Picture Day Flyer
- 2. Box Tops/Amazon Smile/Harris Teeter Rewards

Parish Flyers:

- 1. Catholic Women's Bible Study
- 2. 33 Day Consecration to St. Joseph
- 3. Blessing of the Animals
- 4. Middle and High School Youth Ministry Kick Offs

Community Flyers:

- 1. St. Paul VI High School Open House opportunities
- 2. Cub Scout Flyer