

ST. ROBERT SCHOOL PARENT NEWSLETTER – Friday, October 22, 2021

DUE TO THE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS OF “NO SCHOOL” FRIDAYS, this newsletter will cover the next three weeks. Look for the next edition of the newsletter on Friday, November 12th.

REPORT CARDS for the 1st quarter are being finalized and will be ready for viewing next Wednesday (10/27). Mr. Ralbusky sent an email today to school families with directions on how to view K-8 report cards. Please review the reports and direct any questions, comments or concerns to the appropriate teacher.

LAST CALL – Orders for poinsettias and Halloween Hoots are due on Monday, 10/25. Forms for both sales can be found on the school website under “Upcoming Events”.

PIP CREDITS – 1st Quarter PIP statements for families with students in grades Young Fives-8th will go home during P/T Conferences (week of November 1st). **PIP credit forms are due to the school office by Tuesday, October 26th.** Credits turned in by this date will be reflected on the 1st quarter statement. Credit forms turned in after the October 26th deadline will be added to 2nd quarter statements.

HALLOWEEN DIRECTIVES

- Mr. Ralbusky sent out an all school email on Monday, 10/11 with Y5-8th Halloween directives for Thursday, 10/28. Please contact the school office with any questions.
- Mrs. Bushey sent an email out to P3/P4 families on Tuesday, 10/19 with Halloween directions for preschool. Please contact Mrs. Bushey if you have any questions.



SRS TRUNK OR TREAT – Our Trunk or Treat event will take place on Thursday, 10/28 in the parking lot between the school and Activity Center following dismissal after the costume parade. Parents of Preschool-4th grade students will need to accompany them as they move from trunk to trunk. All students will be able to participate. Bus riders will be brought back up to the school in time to get on the bus. The Trunk or Treat will end at 2:45pm. Please note: The event will be moved to the Activity Center if it rains.

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, October 27 th	Jeans & MI/MSU Shirt Day (\$1.00)
Thursday, October 28 th	Jeans & Halloween Shirt Day (free) Costume Parade Trunk or Treat
Friday, October 29 th	NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day)
Monday, November 1 st	NO Shorts Begins 8:30am, All Saints Mass
Thursday, November 4 th	½ Day of School – 10:55am Dismissal NO Take Home Buses 2-5pm and 6-8pm, P/T Conferences
Friday, November 5 th	NO SCHOOL
Sunday, November 7 th	Daylight Saving Time Ends (fall back one hour)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27th will be a Jeans and MI/MSU Shirt day. Support the Wolverines or Spartans by wearing your favorite t-shirt, sweatshirt or jersey. Collars do not need to be worn, but the shirts must be school appropriate. Those who don't support MI/MSU should instead wear jeans and a spirit shirt or dress code shirt. The cost to wear jeans, a MI/MSU shirt or both is \$1.00.

DON'T FORGET – There is **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, October 29th, so that teachers can attend a professional development meeting.

THANK YOU to all who participated in our Jeans and Pink Shirt Day. A total of \$176.20 was collected and has been donated to the John Paul II Medical Research Institute for breast cancer research.

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES – Fall Parent Teacher Conferences are right around the corner. You will have the opportunity to discuss your child's report card, test scores, in class work and work habits and any questions or concerns you may have. An email with details on how to sign up for conferences will be sent out to all school families in the coming days. The schedule for P/T Conference week is as follows:

- Thursday, November 4th
 - **1/2 day of school-10:55am Dismissal**
 - **NO Take Home Buses**
 - 2-5pm and 6-8pm Conferences
- Friday, November 5th (**NO SCHOOL**)



HALF DAY – Just a reminder that students have a half day of school on Thursday, November 4th due to P/T Conferences. School will dismiss at 10:55am that day.

BUSING REMINDER – There will be **NO TAKE HOME BUSES** on Thursday, 11/4.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR – There will be **NO SCHOOL** on Friday, November 5th.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- **After School Aide** – The position operates Monday-Friday (days can be flexible) from 2:30-6pm. The applicant must be 18+ years of age. We are looking to fill this position immediately. Please contact Sarah Bushey at sbushey@strobertschool.com or at (810) 845-6323 if you have any questions or would like to apply.
- **Religious Education Secretary** – St. Robert Bellarmine Parish seeks a professional and courteous individual who works well in a team setting to serve as Secretary to our Director of Religious Education. Candidate must have excellent organizational skills, be proficient in Microsoft Office, and be able to maintain confidentiality. Applicant must be willing to assist with VBS, sacramental preparations and record keeping. A working knowledge of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is essential. Candidate also must be a practicing Catholic (active in a parish). Prior experience is also preferred. Thirty hours per week. For a copy of the job description, please see our website [srbccatholic.com](http://www.srbccatholic.com) or <http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/employment>. Interested individuals may submit a resume to jrymar@srbccatholic.com. Questions should be directed to Joanne Rymar at (810) 659-2501. Resumes will be accepted through Nov. 3rd.

DRESS CODE ALERT – Remember, Monday, November 1st is the first day for **NO shorts**. Shorts are not allowed again until April 19, 2022, as documented in the St. Robert School handbook.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ends Sunday, November 7th at 2am. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour.

ALL SAINTS MASS will be celebrated by the schoolchildren on Monday, November 1st at 8:30 am. Please attend this wonderful tradition at SRS as the great saints throughout the ages join us for Mass. We ask that parents sit at the very back of the church so that there is space for students and staff to social distance in the pews. Time will be allowed after Mass for pictures of the 4th grade “saints”.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK (Nov 7-13) is a particularly special time set aside for parishes to foster a culture of holy vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and marriage. During this week, each school family will be receiving a picture of a seminarian or novitiate that will include some information about them and a prayer for them. We are asking that you spiritually adopt that person preparing for priesthood or religious life. We also ask that you add your person into your family’s daily prayer and that throughout the year you send him/her Christmas cards or little notes of affirmation. In this very powerful way, our families can help support those preparing for priesthood or religious life. We did this last year as well and there are some beautiful stories about the relationships fostered by those who actively prayed and wrote to their seminarians.

ATHLETICS

5/6 Flag Football	Sunday, 10/24	SRS vs. Holy Rosary, 1:30pm at Powers SRS vs. Holy Family Panthers, 2:30pm at Powers
5/6 Girls Basketball	Monday, 10/25	SRS vs. St. John Fenton, 5pm at SRS

THE POWERS CATHOLIC ANNUAL RAFFLE helps Powers Catholic to continue providing a strong educational environment; it helps build new academic programs, keeps tuition increases to a minimum and supports student retreats. A \$20 ticket gives you the chance at ten CASH PRIZES: **Grand Prize: \$10,000 Second Prize: \$5,000 3rd – 10th Prizes: \$500**
The drawing will be held on Friday, February 4, 2022. Please call the Powers Advancement Office at (810) 591-0100 with any questions or to purchase tickets.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS – The Flushing Knights of Columbus will be taking orders for Keep Christ in Christmas cards and yard signs after all Masses. Contact Knight Ed Warren at FS8489@MIKOFC.org or call (810) 241-4847. Please leave your name, mailing address & phone number. **The last order will be placed by November 7th.**

IRISH HISTORY CONTEST – Students are invited to participate in a National Irish History Contest. The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians, Inc. sponsors a National Irish History Contest for students in Grades 6-12. The contest is comprised of two levels: Level 1 is for students in Grades 6-8 and Level 2 is for Grades 9-12. Any student enrolled in parochial, private, public school or home schooled is eligible to participate. The topic of the entry must be: **The 40th Anniversary of the Irish Hunger Strike 1981: What was the impact on Irish History?**

Awards: Level 1 Grades 6-8 1st place \$500; 2nd place \$250
 Level 2 Grades 9-12 1st place \$1,000; 2nd place \$500

Contest Rules and mailing information are available by sending an email to: tpmteunis@charter.net All entries are due by November 15, 2021.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Saturday, 10/23	4-6pm, Powers GCCS Trunk or Treat (student parking lot)
Monday, 10/25	Last day to turn in Poinsettia Orders Last day to turn in Halloween Hoots orders 9-10am, 2+1
Tuesday, 10/26	PIP Credit Forms due 7:45-12:30pm, 7 th to Vocations Day 12:15-1pm, 5 th Altar Server Training 1-1:45pm, 7 th Altar Server Training 1:46-2:30pm, 6 th & 8 th Altar Server Training
 Wednesday, 10/27	Jeans and M/MSU Shirt Day (\$1.00) Powers Cookies (at lunch) 7:50-8:35am, 4 th Altar Server Training
Thursday, 10/28	Jeans and Halloween Shirt Day (free) 12:15-1:15pm, 2 nd -4 th to Cops and Robbers 2:05pm, Costume Parade 2:15(ish)-2:45pm, Trunk or Treat
Friday, 10/29	NO SCHOOL (Teacher PD Day) 4-7pm, Fish Fry (Good Shepherd)
Monday, 11/1	NO Shorts begins 8:30am, All Saints Mass 9-10am, 2+1
Tuesday, 11/2	NO Staff Meeting
Thursday, 11/4	½ Day of School – 10:55am Dismissal NO Take Home Buses 2-5pm & 6-8pm, P/T Conferences
Friday, 11/5	NO SCHOOL
Sunday, 11/7	Daylight Saving Time ends - Fall Back One Hour
Monday, 11/8	9-10am, 2+1
Wednesday, 11/10	6:45pm, 7 th grade Mass of Enrollment
Thursday, 11/11	8:30am, Mass

