St. Monica School

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CALLING ALL ALUMNI!

St. Monica Alumni are invited to our Alumni Open House on November 7th from 6:30 – 8:30 PM in the School. Talk to your fellow classmates and get a group together! There will be refreshments and you can tour your alma mater. Spread the word! We hope to see you there! Please see attached flyer.

SCHOOL DECALS

Did everyone receive their St. Monica School car decal? If you would like one for another car, please see Mrs. Tully. **#smspride**

ST. MONICA SCHOOL 60TH ANNIVERSARY GALA – SAVE THE DATE – MAY 17TH

We are looking for parents to help with our 60th Anniversary Gala that will be held on May 17th. If you are interested in helping, please contact Mrs. Henderson at school, or email her at principal@methuencatholic.org. We will have a committee meeting in the near future.

WORLD SERIES FEVER!

Students in Grades 2-8 will have a free dress down day on Wednesday, October 31st to celebrate the Rolling Rally with the World Series Champions—THE RED SOX!! Students in Grades PK3-1 will be wearing their Halloween costumes.

VOLLEYBALL

The girls volleyball season ended on a high note—a win for our final match! A huge thank you to Mr. Chris Berard for volunteering to coach these wonderful girls!

Upcoming Events

October 30

Jeanne D'Arc Banking Day

October 31

Grades Close for First Quarter

Grades PK3, & PK4 to PMA School and Convent for Halloween visit

Grades K & 1 to Nevins Nursing Home for Halloween visit

November 1

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE - School Mass 8:15 AM – All Saints Day, followed by Gr. 2 Saints Parade. All are welcome to attend.

Important Announcement

There will be **NO HOMEWORK CLUB** on the following Tuesdays--October 2, 9, 16, 23 and 31. Mrs. Castagna will be teaching the High School Placement Test Math Class for Grade 8.

Tuesday, November 6th there will be **NO BUSES** in the morning or at dismissal.

There is NO MATH HELP for Gr. 5 on Wed., October 31st.

PICTURE RETAKES

On Tuesday, November 6th, students who were absent on Picture Day will have their pictures taken. We will send home picture order forms today with those students. If parents of those students want to purchase pictures, please send in that form with payment on Tuesday, November 6th. Any parent who previously purchased a portrait package and wishes to have their student's picture retaken must send back their complete picture package on retake day. The only retakes allowed are those who were absent or who had an order but would like it retaken. Thank you. Pictures will be taken first thing in the morning.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk or Treat was a complete success as always! A great big thank you to Kerry DeMattia for organizing this event every year and to the Martocchio's for the awesome music and DJ-ing! Over 180 children (and their parents) enjoyed this event!

ST. MONICA CHRISTMAS FAIR

We are seeking volunteers to work at our Christmas Fair (Please contact Mrs. Tully or send back the form we will be sending home today). You may work all day, part of the day, a couple hours. We will need people for set-up, clean-up, the kitchen, and games. We need to cover all events all day, so any time you can give would be great! Mrs. Henderson is working on a list of events, games, etc. and we will schedule your time when we get that straightened out. Your support is appreciated. It is going to be a fun day, especially for your children. Maybe you could give a few hours while your children are attending the event, or if you cannot come on Saturday during the day, you may be able to give a few hours on Friday evening from 6:30-9PM for set-up or a few hours after the event from 5:30 to when it is done, for clean-up. We are also looking for donations of gift certificates, toys or baskets for our Penny Raffles. We need items for the Children's Punchboard, new or new-in-box re-gifted, toys for both boys and girls. Both Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Tully would appreciate anything you can do!

RENWEB STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM HAS A NEW NAME – FACTS Student Information System

Please make sure you log on to the FACTS Student Information System to make sure all of your information is correct. All of the log in information is on our website. www.methuencatholic.org/school

SNOW DAYS

St. Monica School follows Methuen Public Schools for Snow Days so if school is called off for Methuen, St. Monica will not have school. We will also announce it with an email home as soon as we know, and on our Facebook page (St. Monica School Methuen). **We will no longer be using the Blackboard Connect program for Snow Days.**

REPORT CARD CONFERENCES for Grades 1-8

Report Card Conferences will be held on Thursday, November 8th. There is an 11:00AM dismissal for all grades that day. Today we will be sending out conference sign-up sheets. Please fill out and return as we schedule conferences on a first-come, first-served basis. Conferences will be from 12-2PM and from 5-8PM and are ten minutes long. Students are not allowed to attend these conferences. If you cannot make this conference day, you may schedule another day after November 8th with your child's teacher. Please just indicate that on the form. Thank you. Extended Day will be available from 11-6PM.

CAR LINE 2 (the parking lot behind the Church)

Thank you for your cooperation! It has been running smoothly according to the teacher on duty. Please remember that no car can move until she indicates it is ok to do so, then the cars closest to the entrance may move first and so on.

MORE UPCOMING DATES – Please also check the school calendar at www.methuencatholic.org/school

November 4 – Dine Out Night at Chipotle 4-8PM

November 5 – PTO Meeting 6:00 PM in school hall.

November 6 – Picture retakes for those who were absent or those who return complete orders.

November 7 – Alumni Open House 6:30 – 8:30 PM (If you are an alumni or know anyone who is, please let them know!)

November 7 – Gr. K Progress Reports given out.

November 8 – Veteran's Day Program 9:00 AM in school hall. The Freedom Wall dedication by the Methuen Exchange Club will also take place at that time.

November 8 – 11:00 AM Dismissal. Report Card conferences for Grades 1-8 from 11:15AM-2PM and 5:00 – 8:00 PM by appointment only. Appointment sign-ups will be coming home soon. Extended Day is available from 11AM-6PM.

November 9 – NO SCHOOL, Faculty Meeting

November 12 – NO SCHOOL, Veteran's Day

November 16 – Spirit Day

November 17 – School Christmas Fair 9AM to 6PM. It is going to be amazing!!! Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Tully are heading it up. Please call Mrs. Tully if you are interested in volunteering. We need all the help we can get!!

November 21 – 10:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass. All are invited.

November 21 – 11AM dismissal for Thanksgiving break. NO EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM.

November 22 and 23 – Thanksgiving Break

Our Weekly Reminders are also on our website!