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WEEKLY WATCH

Principal for a Day

Today I got to be a principal for a day. In the morning I granted my class extra recess and no homework. It felt really good because if I was not principal for day I would be doing homework. My classmates were shouting, "Yay, no homework!" and they were also calling me the best principal! Next, I got to lead a fire drill and it felt really weird at first. After the fire drill I felt really proud of myself. Then I went to sell Tootsie Rolls to all the students. I liked it because I got to handle all the money. After that I went out to lunch with my former principal Mr. Naumann and ate McDonalds. I got the meal I would usually eat, a ten-piece chicken nugget and large fries. And I also got the M&M flavored McFlurry that I tried for the first time (It Was Awesome!).

Mr. Naumann became a student and did my math assignments and took my spelling tests. He also wrote down my social studies notes on the 7 tribes I have been studying, POPO and LAC, and got in trouble for coloring.

It was a great day!

In Christ's Love,
Kolbe (the principal)



BIST Tip: Ask, Don't Tell

When a student has made a poor choice or hasn't followed directions, we adults are good at telling them what they should have done! Sometimes this leads to nagging. "I told you to walk silently. You need to keep your hands to yourself. How many times have I said..., etc." A helpful alternative is to engage the student with a question, which helps them to verbalize and take ownership for their actions. The two most common questions to ask are, "Are you okay?" and "What do you think I'm concerned about?" By answering questions, the student is more likely to acknowledge and think about the behavior. This can look like, **"Are you okay?"** "Yes." **"Oh, I wondered if you understood what I asked you to do."** "I did." **"Good. Are you going to do it?"** "Yes." For older students, the second question tends to work well, **"What do you think I'm concerned about?"** "I don't know." **"Did I give you an instruction?"** "Yes." **"Did you follow it?"** "No." **"Can you do what I asked you to do the first time?"** "Yes." By engaging in questioning, you avoid a power struggle and the student is more likely to follow through. It's a win-win!

SFA Thanks!

We had great turnout for our SFA parent meeting on Tuesday night with about 100 parents in attendance! Special thanks to the SFA board for the refreshments and for inviting our presenters, Fr. Matthew Rolling and Jacquie Winbolt, to come and share their insights on the formation of children from a spiritual and practical view. We are in process of editing the recording and hope to have it available in the near future. If you would like a copy of the handouts, you can find those [HERE](#). We hope the conversations continue in your homes!

A Note from Our Nurses

We are in need of several updated student immunization records, dental records, and physicals (for new students, Kindergarten students, and seventh grade students) before the annual state report is due. Please send vaccination records to the school office, send an email attachment to JHEL-schoolnurse@cdolinc.net, or fax records to 402-489-3260. **Individual email reminders will be sent out in the coming weeks if your child(ren) have missing records.** Thank you for your help in keeping our student health files up-to-date.

School Uniform Feedback

We need your help! School Belles, our new uniform vendor, is asking how well our transition is going to using their company. If you have ordered from School Belles, please take a couple minutes to **share your feedback at this [LINK](#)**. This will help us determine what changes/improvements may need to happen going forward for our school. Thank you for your input by **TOMORROW, Friday, October 24**. God bless you!

Family Rosary

You may have heard the saying coined by the late Fr. Patrick Peyton, "The family that prays together, stays together." Fr. Peyton also advocated praying the family rosary. St. Joseph's has the tradition of sending home a glow-in-the-dark rosary to each school family during October, the month of the Holy Rosary. We encourage you to pray it together and then return to school so it can pass along to another family. If you cannot pray the rosary on the day you receive it, please try to do so by the next day and then return it. Mary understands, even if this means praying it in the car on the way to a ball game or recital! We want Mary to wrap her mantle of love and protection around all our school families and intercede for all your intentions during this month. **The school rosaries will be sent home beginning Monday, October 6, Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.** Look for them to be coming home with youngest and only, starting with 6th Grade. Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us!

Stock Up for Halloween with SCRIP!

Stock up on Halloween Candy with SCRIP! We sell HyVee, Super Saver, Target, Wal-Mart, Sam's, and Walgreens. Fill out an order form and send it to school with your child. We will fill your order the same day and send it home with your child. Simple! Text Kate with any questions: 402-314-1416. [DOWNLOAD THE ORDER FORM!](#)

Trunk or Treat TOMORROW!

The St. Joseph Youth Ministry Invites You to:

TRUNK OR TREAT FALL EVENT

BRING YOUR FAMILY FOR COSTUMES, CANDY,
CRAFTS, CREATIVE TRUNKS, AND MORE!

OCTOBER 24 * 6-8 PM

PLUS FOOD TRUCKS!

Travelin' Tom's
RedLINC BBQ
Kona Ice

*Food & Drinks underwritten
by donations to the parish.

\$5
FOR A BAG

Park in front and follow
the Halloween Trail to the back lot!

Contact Sara-Racicot@cdolinc.net with questions.



Trick-or-Treating with the Sisters

Trick-or-Treaters are welcome to stop at the convent on Halloween, **Friday, October 31 between 6:30-8:00 pm**. You can get a sweet treat AND visit Jesus in our convent chapel! St. Teresa Convent is located at 3515 Laura Avenue, just behind St. Teresa Church off 36th and Randolph St. We'd love to see your costumes!

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