St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School Newsletter



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Our Mission: To Teach, Love, Live and Learn as Jesus Did Our Vision: Share Faith, Serve Others, Seek Knowledge

During the month of October, we **'press on' To Be Wise**. The Cardinal Virtue of Prudence, usually represented by a scroll with a torch, gives the the ability to understand, with the very wisdom and light of Christ, what is the best thing to do at any time of life. When we read its scroll, we grow in our knowledge and understanding. Its torch enables us to see more deeply into confusing things, to know the truth, and to know how to best act. So, this month, we use the virtue of prudence and the gifts of the Holy Spirit as we **press on to be wise**!

The spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the Lord." Isaiah 11:2

"Do not be wise in your own eyes, fear the Lord and turn away from evil." Proverbs 3:7

School Job Openings: I am still looking to fill open positions for the current school year. Interested candidates can email, attn: Rob Sordelet at schooladministration@stcharlesschoolfw.org or call the school phone at (260) 438-3492 and I will be glad to respond. Also, I am at school most every day, and would be glad to speak with you in person. Here are the positions:

- **Teaching Assistants** Along with our dedicated Faculty, our Teaching Assistants are treasured here in the school. The hourly rate for Teaching Assistants is \$10 per hour + a \$300 tuition discount per child enrolled in Catholic School.:
 - Grade 5 TA 5.8 hours per day. Every day. Monday Friday.
 - Grade 1 TA- 5.8 hours per day. Every day. Monday Friday.

Dear Parents and Students - We will continue with our current safety protocols (masking, spacing, etc.) through the end of this semester and most likely, in the absence of a vaccine, through the winter. Last week I put a brief blurb in referencing Thanksgiving as a possible decision point regarding masking just to get ahead of any confusion with Governor Holcomb's phase 5 initiatives. We seem to have a balanced approach that is working safely, and we will continue with this until we are in the clear. If this changes, of course we will let you know. I thank everyone for being so cooperative and supportive as we continue through this school year. If you haven't signed up for Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences, please read the information below. The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you. Of course all will wear masks and social distance in the building and during the conferences. Thanks -Rob S.

- Interested in becoming a member of our St. Charles School Board? Interested candidates should click this link <u>SCBS</u> School Board Application 2020-2021 to apply. Please complete the application by Monday, October 19th. If we have a number of candidates, and someone is not selected for this year, please know that we save applications and will reach out next year. Please consider sharing your time & talent with us. Thank you.
- Nominate a Great Teacher! Fill out this link for the <u>Christ the Teacher Award</u> (Formerly the Light of Learning Award) nomination form by Wednesday, Oct. 14 and tell us who you appreciate!
- 3. The HASA 300 Club is open for business! For a donation of \$100 you have 54 chances to win big \$\$ weekly! Read on!
- 4. Thank you HASA for the nice gift of Guardian Angel Pins to all of our students! The Teachers also appreciated the cookies!

Parent-Teacher Conferences Oct. 28-29. In-person Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. and Thursday, October 29, from 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Conferences will be held in 10-minute intervals: 10 minutes for parents and students to meet with the teacher and a 10-minute passing time between conferences for greater social distancing. **Schedule Your Conference Appointments with SignUp Genius!** Again this year parents of PreK-6 students will have the opportunity to schedule times in which to visit with their child's homeroom teacher using SignUp Genius. We wish to provide a convenient process for our families. Parents, once you have scheduled online, you will be sent a reminder three days before the scheduled conference. Also this year, parents of 7th and 8th students may sign up to meet with any of the 7th and 8th grade teachers. In this way, a parent may choose to conference with a junior high teacher(s) who teaches a specific subject area to better target academic or behavior concerns pertaining to a particular teacher/subject area.

I always ask that parents understand that conferences should be viewed as a positive, collaborative experience - a time when concerns, helpful strategies, and encouragement can be exchanged; however, due to the large number of parents with whom teachers will meet, <u>conference time is limited</u>. If there is a topic that parents feel will need more time than ten minutes or so, please contact the teacher before or after these conference days, so that all will have appropriate time for lengthier discussion.

Using SignUp Genius, parents will be invited to schedule their conferences according to the number of children here in school, and thus, the number of appointments needed. Parents are able to schedule their conferences as close in time to each other as needed. Conference appointment scheduling opened online through SignUp Genius this week for families with 2 or more students at St. Charles while families with 1 child at St. Charles will be able to schedule their conference appointment on Monday, October 12th. You will receive a text/email alert through SchoolMessenger the morning of your signup day. **Please note: If health risk and/or quarantine prohibits meeting in person, please work with your child's teacher to arrange a phone or video conference sometime during conference week.** Thank you!

Please Schedule Conferences by Wednesday, October 14th	SignUp Genius Scheduling Window Open(ed/s)
Families with 4 or more children enrolled in school	Monday, October 5th
Families with 3 children enrolled in school	Wednesday, October 7th
Families with 2 children enrolled in school	Friday, October 9th
Families with 1 child enrolled in school	Monday, October 12th

It is hoped that all families will have scheduled their appointments for parent-teacher conferences by Wednesday, October 14. Parents are scheduling appointments for parent-teacher conferences which will be held on Wednesday, October 28, 2:00pm - 4:30pm and Thursday, October 29 from 10:00am-7:00pm at 10-minute intervals. Parents should contact their child's teacher if they know these times will not work. If assistance is needed to schedule your appointment online using SignUp Genius, please contact the school office.



ST. CHARLES BORROMEO SCHOOL Book Fair October 26 - November 8

Our Book Fair is online this year! Support our school and help your child discover new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more! You'll love the fun new option to shop for Book Fair exclusives directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy free shipping (directly to your home) on book-only purchases over \$25.

- Experience the joy of bookcases, characters, and much more
- View exclusive book trailers and curated reading lists
- Shop over 200, new books and premium titles

It's a new school year . . . let's instill a new-found love of reading! There will be more information to come in next week's newsletter. Remember, any purchases you make will help support our school library and reading program. -Mrs. Theresa Knox, librarian

Calendar Update

October 12 October 14	First Reconciliation Parent meeting 6:45-7:45 pm, in Hession Center, rms. First Reconciliation Parent meeting 3:30-4:30 pm, in church	C/D	
October 15	Eucharistic Adoration 8:50 am - 2:15 pm, Benediction 2:15 pm		
October 16	Report Cards go home		
October 19	Student Picture make-ups		Save the
October 28	Dismissal 1:00 pm, Parent-Teacher-Student conferences 2:00-4:30 pm		Date!
October 29	No School, Parent-Teacher-Student conferences 10:00 am-7:00 pm		
October 30	No School		February 6,
November 1	Daylight Savings Time ends		2021
November 4	Feast of St. Charles Borromeo	BORROMEO	At Ceruti's
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November 6	No School	DAST	More details coming soon!

Cafeteria Help Needed - Our Cafeteria Needs You! In order to serve lunch to each

child, we need 4 people per DAY to volunteer in the St Charles Cafeteria. Serving lunch is easy, social, fun and doesn't take much time at all -- Plus a free nutritionally-balanced lunch for yourself. The volunteering shift is only from 10:30 AM to Noon. You can volunteer as much or as little as you would like, and every little bit helps. The schedule is flexible, and you can choose if you volunteer weekly, monthly, or occasionally via Sign Up Genius. We are also in need of substitute volunteers that can fill in on short notice via text message. If you're interested, PLEASE contact Stephanie Keefer at stephanie.m.keefer@gmail.com. Thank you!

Students of the Week - Congratulations to Elliot Coleman, Cadence Ferris, KC Pieper, Kate Knothe, Maddie Morris, Grace Krouse, Lana Huston, Petey Thiel, Sophie Bird, Enzo Escueta, Calla Palkovic, Jada Jordan, Mae Cheviron, Matthew Eifrid, Isaac Scherschel, David Kleber, Evengelyn Gabriel, Michael Tippmann, Lincoln Miller, Ronnie Buskirk, Gabby Carlisle, Audrey Rottinger, Declan Meyer, Lilly Lehrman, Katharine Kawshawng, Daisy James.

Christ Child Society - Coats for Kids Program! - The Christ Child Society of Fort Wayne Coats for Kids program is ready to distribute new coats to school age children in grades preschool through 8th grade who need a winter coat. Due to the Covid 19 pandemic, the distribution of coats for the 2020 year has been changed. Coats will no longer be distributed at the

Rudisill site. Instead the Christ Child Society has partnered with the Fraternal Order of Police to deliver the coats to the school. St. Charles will order coats and distribute the coats, hats and gloves needed by the families.

There is a limit of 3 coats per family. There will be no exchanges of coats. The last day for orders will be Friday, October 16. Please contact Mrs. Bojrab in the school office if you would like to order winter coats.

Calling All Prospective Saints! Set up a tour to visit Bishop Dwenger High School! We want to answer any questions!

In these challenging times in which we are unable to gather, we have three creative ways to share more information about our school to those who are considering attending Bishop Dwenger High School. Please go to this link:

https://form.iotform.com/202655743619057 for more information about tours of the campus, our virtual video tour, and a video chat/call with a current BDHS student. We encourage you to find out what it means to be a Saint!

BOX TOPS - BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION FALL CONTEST The Fine Arts Boosters' Box Tops for Education fall contest began this week. Remaining turn-in dates are on Thursday October 15, 22, and Wednesday October 28th. Please clip Box Tops and send them into the classroom in plastic ziplock bags in quantities of 50. If you do not have 50 Box Tops make sure the quantity is clearly marked, and they



will be combined with other turn-ins from the same classroom. All bonus Box Tops should be turned in separately. Be sure to continue scanning your receipts into the app and recording the classroom number, these will be included in the classroom totals. The classroom with the most box tops turned in will be awarded an ice cream party. Runner up will earn a dress down day. Good Luck! Thank you for helping to make our Box Top collections so successful. These proceeds support the enrichment assemblies for all the students.

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Change to Safe Environment Schedule - The following classes have been changed from the times listed last week. Please let me know if you have any questions. *Sarah Robinson* 969-4036

- **1-22** Friday, October 16, 1:30
- **3-9** Tuesday, October 27, 1:00
- **3-10** Tuesday, October 27, 2:05
- 3-11 Tuesday, October 27, 1:35

Notes from the School Nurse - Last week, we successfully completed two days of Health Screenings. We could not have done it without our wonderful parent volunteers. Thank you to Mrs. Nicola Franke, Mrs. Mona Smith, Mrs. Heather Bokhart, Mrs. Emily Walden, Mrs. Jen Eisaman. Also, a huge thank you to our Registered Nurses who volunteered their time as well. Mrs. Angie Blotkamp NP, Mrs. Stephanie Bourounis RN, Mrs. Heather Cagnet RN, Mrs. Katie Firks, Mrs. Nichole Kelker, Miss Angela Tippmann RN, Mrs. Stephanie Fabini RN and Mrs. Joan Brown RN. Thank you to Mr. Steve Springer and Maintenance Crew who helped set-up and tear down.

A special Thank You to Dr. Troy Hockemeyer (Hockemeyer Family Eye care, 10848 Rose Avenue, Phone # 260-493-1505) who has volunteered his time and talents to our school for over 20 years. Also Thank You to his colleague, Dr. Drew Hoffman, and to Leslie and Anne from his office.

In approximately three weeks, a detailed Vision Referral or Hearing Referral will be mailed to the parents whose students need a follow-up vision or hearing appointment. Thank you - Mrs Marissa Tippmann RN

Teacher Appreciation - Thank so much to all the volunteers who baked cookies for the teachers and staff of St Charles school: Erin Bulanda, Katie Firks, Heather Bokhart, Stephanie Bourounis, Kim Hoffman, Audrey Clauser, Christine Sweigert, Kate Sweigert, Molly Elsass, Lelsie Gibson, Alyssa Keys, Jill Harkless, Julia Eisaman, Tina Claycomb, Kelly Williams, Jenny Steigmeyer, Candace Lehrman, Mary Zwierko, Kari Samons, Katie Schindler, Erin Morris, Emily Walden, Lindsay Worrell, Christina Wulpi, Judy Smith and Sara Fischer. We were able to deliver over 80 boxes of cookies this year. Thanks so much! ----Jen Eisaman

Two New Covid-19 Testing Sites - The Allen County Department of Health has opened two new unrestricted, free sites for easy use. These are PCR tests, so results are in 2-3 or so days. So far so good on that turn-around time – MOST in 2 days!

TWO LOCATIONS: 1230 Ruston Pass (off of Dupont in Pine Valley area) 3003 Lake Ave (west of Hobson Rd) HOURS (same at both): M & W – 9am-4pm T & Th – 10am-5pm Sa – 9am-2pm

TO MAKE AN APPT: https://scheduling.coronavirus.in.gov OR 260-449-3303 (online appt is the easiest) NOTE: At the Ruston Pass site, we generally have the ability to take walk-in's (at least right now). Thanks! Have a super day!

BDHS Designer Purse Bingo - Play Virtually! - You are invited to Bishop Dwenger's Virtual Designer Purse Bingo on Saturday, November 14. Prizes include 25 designer purses, 2 gift card collections valued at \$500+, some fun surprises, and a special drawing for a Louis Vuitton! Host a watch party or curl up on your couch to enjoy this amazing event! Pricing starts at \$35 to participate. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Click here for more information or to register. License #000573 Here is the link to insert: (https://www.bishopdwenger.com/BDHS-Purse-Bingo)

SCRIP NEWS - New Merchant – St. Charles SCRIP is happy to welcome *Wayne PC Tech* as a new participating merchant. They are



offering a 15% rebate! Wayne PC Tech is located at 5836 Challenger Way, Suite A (just off of W. Washington Center Road -near Cracker Barrel), phone number – 609-8189. Simply identify yourself as a St. Charles SCRIP customer, pay Wayne PC Tech for the services rendered and he will send a rebate check to the SCRIP program on your behalf. **Thanks to Knights of Columbus for the extra level of protection. We are ready to bring our volunteers back!** Schedules have been sent home either with your student or by mail. The schedules begin on October 16. If you don't

receive your schedule, please contact us. Thanks to all who signed up; we have missed you and truly look forward to having your help again. To those of you who felt the need to step back due to COVID, we totally respect your decision and hope to see you once the world is a safer place.

Schedule Note – There is no school on October 29 & 30, however we will have SCRIP sales on Friday, October 30.

VOLUNTEERS: SPECIAL THANKS to Kelly Tippmann who has delivered classroom orders to the classrooms every Monday and Friday since school began in August. We truly appreciate your gift of time.

October 16 - Mary Jo Amorini, Tom Neuhaus, Dorla Rice

October 16 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Kristina O'Neal

October 17 - Mary Jones, Jill Onion, Tom Ryan

October 18 - Sue Christle, Brenda Harter, Laurie Amstutz

October 19 – CLASSROOM DELIVERY – Sue Forte

October 2020 Cafeteria Lunch Menu

12 Chicken Patty Steamed Carrots Tater Tots Pineapple Milk	13 Fish Sticks Mac & Cheese Peas Apricots Milk	14 Pasta w/Meat Sauce Salad w/ranch dressing Garlic Cheese Bread Applesauce Milk	15 Chicken Caesar Salad Broccoli Soft Pretzel w/cheese sauce Grapes - Milk	 16 Cheese Omelette w/Salsa Hash Browns Pancake w/Syrup Dragon Juice Oranges - Milk
19 Hot Dog Fries Green Beans Peaches Milk	20 Ham & Turkey Sub Doritos Veggies & Dip Raisins Milk	21 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy Steamed Carrots Dinner Roll Mixed Fruit - Milk	22 Corn Chips w/Taco Meat Lettuce, Cheese, Black Beans Corn Grapes - Milk	23 Boxco Sticks w/marinara Broccoli Go-Gurt Pears - Milk
26 Pork Patty Baked Beans Tater Tots Pineapple Milk	27 Cheeseburger w/Lettuce, Pickle, tomato Sweet Potato Fries Apricots - Milk	28 Chicken Caesar Salad Soft Pretzel Cheese Broccoli Watermelon - Milk	29 No School	30 No School
November 2 Corn Dog Raspberry Spinach Salac Fries Peaches Milk	November 3 Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Salad w/Ranch & Tomatoes. Cheese Stick Sun Chips, Raisins = Milk	November 4 Bread Sticks w/cheese Carrots & Dip Go-Gurt Applesauce Milk	November 5 No School	November 6 No School

Lunch Prices 2020-2021

Milk Only \$0.45

Extra Entrée \$1.50

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO CATHOLIC SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTING FORM

Parents can put money into the student's account through your MyPaymentPlus (formerly MyMealsPlus) online account at <u>www.mypaymentplus.com</u> or by calling 1-877-237-0946 for a small fee. Or, you may send a check with the Lunch Accounting Form below to the school cafeteria. For example, if you have 3 children, send a check for \$90 payable to St. Charles Cafeteria and designate \$30 to each child's account. Each child who will eat hot lunch needs to have money in their meal account. It is recommended to have a minimum of \$14.00 in this account which will pay for five meals. If the student may want additional portions of the main entree, then it is recommended to have a minimum of \$6.00 in the account as well. if you have questions regarding this, you may call the school cafeteria at 969-4028 on school days 8:00-12:30 or the school office at 484-3392.

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Payments are used to pay for a Meal (regular price \$2.90), Extra Entree (\$1.50), and Milk (\$0.45)				
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