

The Blue Jay Flyer



Reach up to God, Reach out to others, Reach far for success

October 24, 2018

From the Principal's Desk...

“Master I want to see.”

Dear Parents,

It will soon be time to set our clocks back an hour. I always find it challenging to experience how quickly it then gets dark. I believe that one of the very fundamental responsibilities we have as a Catholic school is to help our students to see.

Every day, we work to help our students learn to see the world, their subjects and each other with new eyes. When we gather together for Mass, as we will again this Friday, we are coming to share the Light of Christ. Each morning as I stand at our entrance and greet our students, I see the light in their eyes, and I am thankful. Last week, I met with the members of our PTO Board and our School Board for their monthly meetings, and I see their commitment and care for all of the St. John the Baptist School community. Our parents too share in this ministry of shedding light.

In this coming Sunday’s Gospel, (MK 10:46-52) we are reminded of the story of Bartimaeus, the blind man. This man cries out for Jesus as He is leaving Jericho. Jesus’ disciples keep telling him to be quiet, but he cries out all the louder. Jesus stops and tells them to bring the man to Him. “Jesus said to him in reply, “What do you want me to do for you?” The Blind man replied to Him, “**Master, I want to see.**”

This week and as the light begins to change and fade, may we all stop and take the time to see. I encourage you to see the Light of Christ in your daughters and sons; to see the light in one another and to thank God for it. Take the time to be thankful for all of the ways in which your children are learning to see. And when Jesus asks us what we want Him to do for us, may we respond like Bartimaeus and say, “**Master, I want to see.**”

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Minelli



Student Council

Canned Food/Halloween Candy Drive

- ★ Canned Goods
- ★ Stuffing Mix
- ★ Boxed Potatoes
- ★ Dried Pasta
- ★ Facial Tissues
- ★ 2 in 1 Shampoo
- ★ Personal Care Items



Please share a few pieces of your Halloween candy for the monthly Drop in Center meal that is prepared by St. Johns volunteers.

★ **Donations will be taken to the Corpus Christi food pantry on Friday, November 2nd.**

Last day to wear uniform shorts is Wednesday, Oct. 31st for students in Grades K-6.



School Picture Retakes Nov 6th 1:00-2:00pm

Those students who were absent on picture day or need a retake will be permitted to come to school out of uniform on Nov. 6th. **Preschoolers who need a retake may come to school during this time.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 25 Pre-K Fieldtrip Burwinkel Farm
9-11AM
Skyline Limo Lunch 11:45am
- October 26 All School Mass 8:30AM
- October 27 PTO Father-Daughter
Dance 7-9PM
- October 29 NO Science Club
- October 30 Halloween Party 3yr M/T Class
- October 31 HALLOWEEN PARTIES,
Preschool 3yr W/T,
4yr AM/PM, Pre K
Kindergarten 9:30-11AM
Grades 1-3 1:30-2:35PM
- November 1 All School Mass 8:30AM
- November 2 Conference Forms Due
Canned Food Drive Ends
- November 6 School Picture Retakes
3yr old M/T Class Picture Day &
Donuts with Dad 1:45-2:45pm
- November 7 Gr 3 Mass 8:30AM

*****Conference Forms were sent home today in the Blue Jay Folders. Please fill out your time preferences and return to school NO LATER than Friday, November 2nd.**



HALLOWEEN SHIRTS & SOCKS-

may be worn with regular uniform bottoms/jumpers next Wednesday, Oct 31st.

SHOPPING CENTS

Orders sent through school will be filled on the following date

Oct 25 Nov 8 Nov 29
Dec 6 Dec 13

~STAY TUNED~

Did you know that you can order gift cards online and from your cell phone to use immediately? Watch your e-mail for instructions regarding this convenient way for you to participate in Shopping Cent\$!



Our 5th grade D.A.R.E. students are raising

drug free awareness during Red Ribbon Week by selling lollipops during lunch periods everyday through Nov 2nd.

Money raised will go toward their D.A.R.E. graduation expenses and a charity (TBD).

D.A.R.E.

Students may send lollipops to anyone in the school for 25 cents each.



Elections will be once again be held in the Parish Center (Gym) on Tuesday, November 6th. Further details regarding car rider drop off/pick up will be forthcoming.



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