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Principal's Thoughts

This week I had the privilege to serve on a WCEA accreditation team for a school within the Oakland Diocese. This is a very humbling but rewarding experience. Team members always bring back to their school many new ideas and renewed enthusiasm to continue implementing their own school's Action Plan. The Diocese of Oakland is embarking upon a self-evaluation process called the Mission Alignment Process (MAP.) Many Dioceses have used this process to assess how to more effectively serve their faithful. According to the Diocese of Oakland's website: *"Recent declines in Mass attendance, baptisms, vocations to the priesthood and other factors are challenging us to take a fresh look at ourselves. In response, Bishop Michael Barber, S.J. is asking every Catholic in the Oakland diocese to support the Mission Alignment Process (MAP). Guided by the Holy Spirit, this process will help us align our precious resources: our wonderful lay faithful, our parishes and schools, our clergy, and our financial resources for missionary fruition. Change is never easy, but when did God ever say that our lives would be easy? The way to salvation always has a cross in its path. But it is precisely the cross which leads us to new life."*

Your input is a valuable part of this process. You have chosen to provide your child(ren) with a Catholic education. What contributed to this decision? Were you educated in a Catholic school, were you raised in a Catholic family, do you attend Mass now? Through this process the MAP committee is seeking to understand the needs of its people. Please consider participating. To access the MAP survey, please visit your parish website or the St. Agnes Parish website at: <https://stagnesparish.net/>



St. Agnes School Mission Statement

St. Agnes School, in partnership with the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Oakland educate children in the Catholic faith and nurture their minds, bodies, and souls, inspiring them to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ, achieve their highest academic and creative potential, and actively serve and enrich the community.

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Scrip Statements

- An accounting of your scrip purchases has been included in your envelope. Please notice the profit amount, this is different from the total amount in purchases.
- The yearly goal is \$300 for each family.
- If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kelley in the office.

Fall Fest News!

- Please see the PACE section for more details!

Pace Board News

St. Agnes School Ghouls to Visit!

- The St. Agnes School Ghouls figured it was time to come out of retirement to give the children some Halloween cheer!
- In order for those St. Agnes School Ghouls to blend in and not be seen, we are allowing children to come in their costume on Friday October 29th! A few things that must be adhered to with costumes:
 - Comfortable costumes without accessories or Halloween masks
 - Must be age appropriate for everyone at school
 - Bathroom friendly costumes
- A donation of \$10.00/child is being requested to help with this activity. Thank you for participating.
- A flyer with further details will be sent by your room parent, be on the look out!

Pies are coming!

- The annual holiday pie sale will begin soon! Please look for more details in next week's newsletter.
- Sales will begin next week and end on November 5th.

The Herd is Out! Got Milk? Cookies?

- **Don't forget the Buddy Challenge:** Send the Herd to your child's buddy family!
- The Herding flyer can be found on our website.
- When the herd arrives, there will be a note attached to a yard sign with who sent the herd and a QR code with instructions on how the recipient can pass the herd to someone else.
- Let's see if we can keep that herd mooovin!
- You only have until next Friday!!!!

Weekly Student Learning Expectation: 2.4 A conscientious individual in a diverse society who is able demonstrate respect for the environment.

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TIME SENSITIVE

A Little Help for our Alumni


- Alums: Antonio Accardo, Patric Bello & Joe DeMaria have asked for our help.
- They are coordinating a food/toiletries collection for their religion class.
- Any help would be GREATLY appreciated.

Parish News

- If you would like to receive St. Agnes Parish announcements, there is a signup sheet at the Welcome Table in the church, or you can send your email address, name, and phone to Mike McDermott at mtmcder@pacbell.net to be added to Flocknote.
- The Flocknote will also include some inspirational messages from Father Johnson.
- The MAP (Mission Alignment Process) questionnaire link will also be sent via Flocknote.

Wheel-a-thon Donations Due!

- Please get those donations submitted ASAP
- Prizes will be determined soon!

	IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS
10/23	• 2 nd Gr. Reconciliation Retreat
10/24	• 30 th Sunday of Ordinary Time-
10/25	• STAR Testing for the end of the 1 st Trimester begins.
10/26	• Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday
10/28	• School Board Meeting-6:30 via Zoom
10/29	• Ghouls arrive! Happy Halloween!
10/30	• Work Party 9-1