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Principal's Thoughts

Parent/Teacher conferences start today and the teachers are excited to meet with you! I hope this time will be affirming as well as informative. In order to prepare for the meeting, you might want to have a discussion with your student and ask them what they feel is going well and what area(s) they would like to improve upon. Creating a list of 1-2 goals that they would like to achieve this year and sharing this with their teacher can be helpful as well. The children are often the most stressed during this time because they are left wondering what is being said about them, so giving them the opportunity to participate can alleviate this concern!

Many years ago the shift was made from having conferences in May to October. The staff felt that having the conversations now sets the foundation for a stronger partnership. The students are now settled into the routine of a new teacher with new expectations and making adjustments earlier lends itself to a more productive year. Sharing your perspective and listening to the perspective of the teacher helps ensure that the student's best interest is the focus for the year that lays ahead. Thank you for your time to attend this conference and your partnership throughout the year!



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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BREAKING NEWS

Singers Needed

- The school choir is back and students in grades 2-8 are welcome to join!
- Practices will take place in Mr. Hamerson's room each Tuesday from 3:00-3:45.
- A permission slip has been included in your family envelope with additional details.
- Please return this form by Friday, October 13th if your child will be participating.
- We look forward to having this very important part of our prayer experience during Mass back with us in all its glory!

Speaking of Choirs

- You are invited to the 9AM Mass this Sunday to hear the St. Agnes Parish children's choir in "stereophonic sound!"
- $\circ~$ A flyer has been included in your envelope today.

Peace, Love & Hope

- A benefit concert is being held on Sunday, October 15th at St. Bonaventure Church in honor of Karen Mangini, previous principal of St. Agnes School.
- All proceeds will benefit the Food Pantry. A flyer has been posted on our website.

• Picture Retakes Monday, October 16th!

- \circ If your student missed picture day or forgot to smile, retakes are scheduled for the 16th.
- Students will need to be in formal dress if they are participating.



• School Mass Collection

- In order to teach the concept of stewardship, we will have a collection at each school Mass.
- Please send an offering sealed in an envelope with your child for each of these Masses.
- \circ $\;$ The money collected will be placed in Sr. Rita's account for the poor.

• Prayer Breakfast

- Please join the Catholic Daughters of the Americas for a light breakfast and presentation by Sister Mary Greenan on October 21st from 10am-1pm.
- A flyer with additional details has been posted on our website!

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<u>Mark Your Calendars!</u>

- The annual Fall Fest is scheduled for Friday, October 27th!
- Many activities have been planned so get your costumes ready! Please remember our littlest will be attending so keep this in mind when you are deciding what to wear.
- A flyer will be coming home next week to purchase your tickets.

<u>Need Hours?</u>

• The Fall Fest committee is adding more games so additional volunteers are needed. Please contact Christine or Michelle at <u>fallfestserviceteam@gmail.com</u> if you can help!

• Are You A Baker?

- The much loved Cake Walk will take place during the Fall Fest and homemade goodies are needed. NO NUTS, PLEASE!
- Volunteer hours will be given for your hard work. A flyer with all the details can be found in your family envelope today.
- \circ The form is due back by October 20th.

Do You Enjoy Decorating?

- We are looking for participants for the Trunk or Treat event at the Fall Fest.
- Please consider providing this safe alternative to Trick or Treating for our students.
- The class with the most participants will receive a free dress pass!
- A flyer with an RSVP is included in your envelope and is due back by October 20th.

Have You Herd the Moos?

- The stampede has begun so get your orders in!
- A flyer with additional details and a QR code can be found on our website. Please consider spreading some joy to a new family, buddy family or that special someone!

Save the Date!

- The Auction chairs are busy making plans for the Auction!
- **Grease Lighting** is the theme so get those poodle skirts, jeans and white t-shirts ready so you can attend on March 23rd.

Weekly Schoolwide Learning Expectation: 2.2 – A conscientious individual in a diverse society who is able to take responsibility for personal actions.

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10/11	Parent Teacher Conferences 1-8
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10/13	Minimum Day-12:00 Dismissal
10/14	 Work Party-9am-1pm
10/15	• 28 th Sunday of Ordinary Time
	Mt. 22:1-14
	• Peace Love Hope Benefit Concert - St.
	Bonaventure
10/16	Picture Retake Day (formal)
10/17	Spirit T-Shirt Tuesday
10/19	Scrip Day
10/20	Fall Fest Forms are Due!
	• 7 th Gr. Dance-St. Francis



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