

**St. Rocco
School***Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!***THURSDAY
PACKET****Weekly Parent Newsletter**

Principal Letter

Dear Parents,

It is important to always remember that the reason for our school is Jesus Christ. When choosing St. Rocco School for your child, you also choose the faith-centered environment where your child will spend their days. Prayer, virtue and moral goodness are at the center of all we do.

October provides us with many opportunities to come together in faith. October is the month of Mary because it is a time when the church encourages devotion and prayer to the blessed Virgin Mary. Praying the Rosary honors Mary and is a beautiful opportunity to practice our faith. Mary is the mother of Jesus, and she teaches us lessons about faith, hope, and obedience. She willingly accepted God's plan and trusted God's will. She endured and had the power of hope even in the worst of times. Her obedience is a model rooted in strong faith and humility.

Over the past few weeks, all our students have spent a few days with the "Circle of Grace" curriculum in Religion class. The Circle of Grace Program educates and empowers children and youth to actively participate in a safe environment for themselves and others. This directly connects to the importance of not only respecting others, but ourselves as well.

Next Tuesday our school will come together once again at Mass for the Feast Day of St. Anthony Gianelli, the founder of our sisters of The Daughters of Our Lady of the Garden. How wonderful it is to have Sister Daisy, Sister Donna, Sister Sheeba, and Sister Eva as a presence in our school. Thank you to all of them and for what they do. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer.

This week has been a busy and exciting week at St. Rocco School. We had picture day on Thursday, and all the students looked great in their full school uniforms. Friday is a dress down day for Breast Cancer Awareness. Students will fill the school with pinkness and it will be a positive way to spend the day.

We are very proud of our Cross Country and tennis teams! They had a wonderful season. This is the first year we had a tennis team, and they did an awesome job! The Grammar team improved and showed so much improvement. Our Junior tennis team made the playoffs and should be commended for their hard work. Thank you to our coaches, Miss. Tripp and Mr. Marcello, for leading our teams.

Our Cross-Country team members are Selena Hines, Ava Bernadeau, Julia Moretti, Davina Rihani, Aydyn Hudick, Nolan Anderson, Olivia Acevedo, Aiden Marsland, and Wilson Matteo Restrepo.

Our Junior Tennis team members are Autumn Mercier, Gabrielle Mercier, Mia Mercier, Mia Marcello, Savanna Mello, Esther Idris, Avril Mejia, Praise Wleh, Emilia Merlino, and Olivia Acevedo.

Our Grammar Tennis team members are Savannah Horton, Sofia Catanzaro, Mia Gorgievski, Maria Tran, Emily Ramos, Angelica Price, Amaya Hudick, Mikaela Mercier, Elijah Joseph, and Nicholas DiMascio.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Montecalvo

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK!

Reminders/Housekeeping



****IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT FEELING WELL**, please keep them home and call or email the **SCHOOL OFFICE FIRST** to report them absent. You may send an email to your child's teacher and to the nurse, but initially, **the phone call/email must be to the School Office first**. Please **DO NOT** send a notification of absence through **Class Dojo**. If you are unsure if you should send your child to school, call the office to speak to the nurse. Please contact the Nurse with any questions.

Please call to notify the School Office by 8:30AM if your child will be absent. If your child is going to be late and will be ordering school lunch, please call the School Office no later than 8:30AM so we can plan accordingly. **PLEASE DO NOT NOTIFY THE TEACHER THROUGH CLASS DOJO IF YOUR CHILD IS SICK.**

Student Data/Custody Concerns – Please notify the School Office if any information regarding your child has changed since the submission of your child's application for enrollment. Any custody concerns require immediate notification to the School Office.



DRESS CODE: – We take pride in the appearance of our students. The way a student dresses and appears often influences behavior and learning. Uniforms must be worn at all times unless it is a casual "Dress Down Day". Please refer to the School Handbook available on the School Website.

DRESS DOWN DAY POLICY/MONTHLY PASSES ~ Each month throughout the school year, beginning in October, St. Rocco School will be offering special dress down passes for the month. You may purchase the monthly passes for November for the cost of \$5.00. The "Dress Down Day" passes are for **Tuesdays only**. Please place the money in a clearly labeled envelope with the required form, your child's name and grade, along with your payment. (**Checks ONLY**). There will also be days designated as a *Dress Down Day* for charities, celebrations, recognitions, etc. Please check the monthly calendars as these days will be noted. *We NO LONGER give dress down passes. We just record your child's name and month(s) they paid for dress down.

IMPORTANT Any payment sent in for your child **MUST BE IN AN ENVELOPE, CLEARLY LABELED WITH:**

- Student's Name
- Student's Homeroom
- Indicate what payment is for
- Lunch Choices if applicable



Please Note: We are a PEANUT, TREE NUT, SODA, SMOKE and GUM FREE ENVIRONMENT. Also, NO GLASS CONTAINERS are to be used for a student's lunch or beverage.





Classroom News



Hello from 1st grade!

We have been so busy these first 2 months of school. We are settled into our new routine and are loving being big 1st graders!

Each day we are becoming more and more independent with our writing! We have been working hard on sounding out words and remembering all our rules when writing a sentence.

In reading, we are working on reading and spelling short vowel words. This week, we are working with the short u sound. Each week we read 2 stories in our reading textbooks. We love being able to read stories all on our own!

Even though we love being able to read on our own now, one of our favorite parts of the day is when Miss Messier reads us a story using Novel Effect. As Miss Messier reads, the story comes to life with music and sound! Some of our favorite fall stories have been *Creepy Carrots*, *Room on the Broom*, and *The Good, The Bad, and The Spooky*.

Another thing we love to do during our reading block is literacy centers. We use magnifying glasses to find hidden word wall words and play different phonics games with our friends!

In math, we finished our first chapter on counting, ordering and comparing numbers, and problem solving. Now we are starting to add numbers using a ten frame and number line.

In Religion, we are getting ready to celebrate All Saints Day! We each have to research a saint and will be dressed as that saint on the day of Mass. It will be our very first time running a school Mass. We are so excited!

In social studies, we have been learning all about neighborhoods and what it means to be a good citizen. We even created our own neighborhood maps!

We learned all about pumpkins during science this week. We read a Scholastic News article about pumpkin boat racing!

The 1st grade has been so much fun so far, and we can't wait to see what else we learn this school year!

SRS PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER



Saint Rocco School Parent Association

*Share
your
Thoughts*

News

BACK TO SCHOOL EDITION

10-16-25

*We ♥ our
Volunteers*

Let's Get Together

Upcoming Events: Dine Out & Play Night

Come Join us at Chuck-E-Cheese Friday the 17th! 20% of each sale will be donated back to the school! Use your Coupon to receive 1 large topping pizza and 4 drinks for \$29.99. Don't forget to bring your flyer!

Trunk or Treat in the School Faculty Parking Lot. This **Sunday October 19th 2:00-4:00pm**. This is a school wide event. Bring your treat bag & visit all of our SRS Trunks! We will have DJ Eddie playing tunes to dance the afternoon away & vote for your favorite trunk! Haven Bros. Food Truck will be there to feed your spirit (cash/charge) when you get hungry. Trunk-Or-Treaters please park in the school lot and enter the faculty lot by the PRE-K4 door into the parking lot to begin Trunk or Treating

Volunteer Opportunity Updates



What a Treat!
Snack Shop is Back! \$0.50-\$1.00
treats after lunch

*We ♥ our
Volunteers*

The **Halloween Games Extravaganza** has been moved to Thursday October 30th 8:30am-12:30pm. Please reach out to sign up or let us know if the change impacts your ability to make it. Reach out to sscarcella@cpsd.net or the office to let us know.

If you missed sign ups for any event at the Back to School Nights you can still sign up to volunteer for any event throughout the year! Sign up at a Parent Association Meeting or email/call one of the Parent Association Officers.



Dine Out Nights!

Dine & Play Friday October 17th– Chuck-E-Cheese will be visiting the playground after dismissal! Dine Out Begins at 3:00pm
Chelo's Dine Out is Tuesday **November 18th** at Chelo's 1275 Reservoir Ave. Cranston.

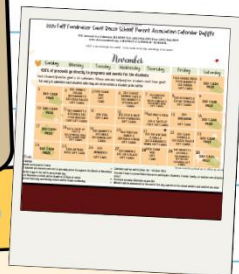


**Parent Association
Officers**

Alison Anderson - President + Shayanna Jenkins-Hernandez - Vice President
+Selaina Scarcella -Treasurer + Dayna Hudick-Secretary

Calendar Raffle Update

Thank you to all our donors!
The support has been phenomenal! Our Calendars are getting finalized and printed and will be on sale soon! Stay tuned next week for more details!



SRS PARENT ASSOCIATION 2025 FUNDRAISER CALENDAR RAFFLE

931 Atwood Ave Johnston, RI 02919 Tel: (401) 944-2993 Fax: (401) 944-3019

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SRS Parent Association 2025 Fundraiser Calendar Raffle

November

Please Donate To Or
Sponsor
Our SRS Parent
Association
Raffle!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Get Your Business In Front of 200+ Local Families! 100% of proceeds go directly to programs and events for the students					01 restaurant gift card	02 cash prize
03 cash prize	04 store gift card	05 Walmart gift card	06 restaurant gift card	07 your business here	08 amazon gift card	09 cash prize
10 cash prize	11 restaurant gift card	12 donated item	13 Your business here	14 restaurant gift card	15 activity gift card	16 cash prize
17 cash prize	18 your business here	19 restaurant gift card	20 store gift card	21 activity gift card	22 Your business here	23 cash prize
24 cash prize	25 Thanksgiving Turkey	26 activity gift card	27 Your business here	28 restaurant gift card	29 activity gift card	30 cash prize

Have Your Business Featured on Saint Rocco School's Website & Social Media Accounts

If You Are interested in Donating. Please fill out the form below, contact the School Office at: 401-944-2993 or

Alison on the Parent Association at 508-801-4275



How It Works

- \$10 per Calendar
- Each calendar purchased is 1 ticket
- Each \$10 Calendar purchased is entered to win daily prizes throughout the Month of November
- Each ticket(s) stays in the raffle every single day
- Each day in November a ticket will be drawn at 2:00pm at school
- Weekends too! Saturday and Sunday tickets will be drawn on Monday.
- Purchase your tickets in the school office or using the form - Tickets will be sold all of October
- You don't have to attend Saint Roccas to participate: Students, friends, family, co-workers are all welcome to enter!
- Purchase as many Calendars as you like
- Winners will be announced at the end of the day, posted on the school website and notified via email



Yes I'd Like to Donate! (Suggested Donation is \$25/\$50 Gift Card)

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Business/Address: _____ Item Donating: _____

For every 5 calendars each student sells they are entered into a student prize raffle!



Friday, October 17th

Dress Down - \$1.00/Wear Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness

Sunday, October 19th

Trunk or Treat – SRS Faculty Parking lot

Tuesday, October 21st

Mass honoring St. Anthony Gianelli – 8:45

Thursday, October 30th

Halloween Games Extravaganza – 8:30-12:30

In School Grade PK 3-5th

Monday, November 3rd

St. Rocco's All Saint's Mass – 8:45

Friday, November 7th

1st Friday Mass – 8:45

Tuesday, November 11th

Veteran's Day – **No School**



Courage: "Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord." Psalm: 31:24



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Rocco School



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CHRIST is the reason for this school.

~in our minds, on our lips, and always in our hearts~

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