



St. Rocco
School

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ!

THURSDAY PACKET

Weekly Parent Newsletter



October 12, 2023

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 that your child will spend their days. Prayer, virtue and moral goodness are at the center of all we do.

The faculty and staff are beautiful role models of Christian goodness for your children. They treat the students, parents and each other with kindness and respect. The office staff is polite, helpful, and always kind when dealing with students and parents. We ask the same of our students to be kind in all of their interactions. As parents, it is important to set that same example for your children. Please be kind and respectful in your communication with the faculty and staff. If you have a concern, bring it to our attention. But please, lead with kindness and respect. Kindness is the theme for the entire school community this year. Kindness can never be overrated. It is always the right choice.

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” Ephesians 4:32

Cross Country News...

Our Middle School teams wrapped up their season yesterday afternoon at the State Meet at Slater Park. Our Middle School students did a super job representing St. Rocco’s with many personal best times and wonderful sportsmanship to make us all proud. I would like to thank the coaches, Mrs. and Mr. Heywood, Ms. Lancellotta and Mr. Moretti, for all the time and effort they put into training and supporting our runners. The students made huge gaps in both endurance and confidence throughout the season.

Members of the girls’ Middle School team are: Arielle Ainabe, Leilani Delgado, Savannah Horton, Angelica Price and Sofia Catanzaro.

Members of the boys’ Middle School team are: Nicholas Scotti, William Quattrucci, Scott Creighton, Alessandro Fava, Michael Ramos, Alessandro Cassisi-Wood, Nathan Henao and Scott Bagalue.

All members of the Junior and Middle School Cross Country teams have a Free Dress Down day tomorrow.

Have a blessed week ahead.

Respectfully,

Regina M. Hand, Principal

Just a few reminders...

Reporting



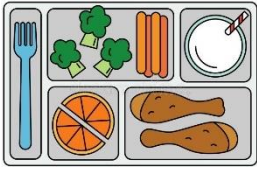
Absences

*****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**. If you are unsure whether you should send your child to school, call the office to speak to the nurse. Please contact the Nurse with any questions.



*****ST. ROCCO’S FLU VACCINE CLINIC*****

The St. Rocco School Flu Vaccine Clinic is taking place on **Wednesday, October 18th**, starting at 9:00 a.m. The Flu Vaccine Clinic is for all faculty, staff, and students. Information on how to register is attached. The flu mist will be available. If you prefer your child to receive the flu mist, please email Nurse Cheryl.



Ordering Lunch ~ Lunch is \$3.50. If ordering an extra entrée it is an additional \$2.00. Please place the payment in an envelope clearly labeled: LUNCH MONEY, your child's name/HR and lunch choice. You may also choose to prepay for the week only. We cannot guarantee their lunch choice after 8:45AM. If your child will be late, please call the office to let us know if he/she is purchasing lunch. Thank you!



Lifetouch Picture Day – Lifetouch will be here next Thursday, October 19th, to photograph all faculty, staff and students. All students must wear their school dress uniform (including a sweater/vest), as these are the yearbook pictures.

Color-A-Thon Update

The Deadline to register is tomorrow, Friday, October 13th



Don't forget our Second Color A Thon event is Sunday, October 29, 2023 at 1:00 pm. This will be our major fundraising event for 2023-2024 school year for the Parent Association. Thank you to all the students who registered for our 2nd Annual Color A Thon. We are hoping for 100% percent participation. Just a friendly reminder that the top three students who raise the most funds will be awarded at the Color A Thon event. They will be dousing color at Ms. Hand and Mrs. Montecalvo. Also the class which raises the most funds will have a pizza party. The classes which place 2nd and 3rd will have an ice cream party.

Classroom News Mrs. Regnault - Kindergarten

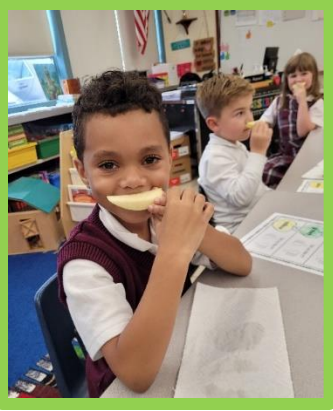
We are off and running into a great school year in Kindergarten! The children have been growing accustomed to our new routines and expectations. We are working hard to begin to develop "I can" and "I will try" attitudes, along with being kind and respectful. These positive attitude traits promote success and happiness for all!



During the first month of school, the students have been introduced to many new and exciting activities! We begin our day with prayer, then our morning song and engage in a morning meeting. We discuss the calendar, days of the week, months of the year, graph the weather and count the number of days in school. We

have started to and will continue to work on our handwriting, letter and number recognition and letter sounds as proficiency in these skills lay the foundation for flourishing beginning readers and writers! We have been busy discussing the themes of Back to School, Apples and Signs of Fall. The students have drawn their self-portraits and families and have made fall leaf collages that hang in the classroom. They also participated in an Apple Tasting in which they had to try all three types of apples: red, yellow, and green. I am happy to report that there was 100% participation in this activity, and they LOVED it!





I am blessed to have been welcomed into the St. Rocco School community this year, along with my wonderful teacher assistant, Ms. Marilynn Conca. We are excited to be working together and see what fun and faith-filled things our first year will bring!



ST. ROCCO PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWS



"Where our Children always come first!"

Parents, Pops and Playground Event

The Parent Association has planned an event for the younger students. The Parents, Pops and Playground activity will take place on Friday afternoons. The dates, times and grade levels are as follows:

Grades PK3 & PK4
Grades K
Grades 1 & 2

Friday, October 13th
Friday, October 20th
Friday, November 3rd

2:30-3:30pm
2:30-3:30pm
2:30-3:30pm

**Each child MUST be accompanied by an adult*



**GRADE 3
&
Grade 7
Faith
Buddies**







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- **Trunk or Treat, Sunday October 15th @ 3:00pm-5:00pm**
 - If you would like to volunteer, donate candy or be a "trunk" please click on the link [Trunk or Treat](#) or contact Alison Anderson, alisonalta@yahoo.com
- **In School Halloween Event, Thursday October 26th**
 - Thank you to everyone who signed up to volunteer. There is still time if you haven't signed up and would like to. Please reach out to the office@stroccoschool.org
- **The Color-A-Thon, Sunday October 29th, check in begins at 12:45pm**
 - If you would like to volunteer, contact,
 - Stephanie Fava, churchofstrocco@gmail.com
- **SAVE THE DATE: Family Christmas Party - December 1** at the Cranston Country Club



After School Clubs

<p>Friends of Jesus</p> <p>Grades K-8 2:35pm-3:15pm</p> <p>Classes held on Monday Instructor: Sr. Daisy</p> 	<p>Strings/Violin Lessons</p> <p>Grades K-4 2:35pm-3:15pm 5-8 3:15pm-4:00pm</p> <p>Classes held on Tuesday Instructor: Mrs. Rachdouni</p> 	<p>Dance Program</p> <p>Grades K-4 2:35pm-3:30pm</p> <p>Classes held on Wednesday Instructor: Miss Denise</p> 	<p>Newspaper Club</p> <p>Grades 6-8 2:35pm-4:00pm</p> <p>Classes held on Thursday Advisor: Mrs. Scotti</p> 	<p>Culture Club</p> <p>Grades 5-8 2:35pm-4:00pm</p> <p>Classes held on Friday Advisor: Mrs. Muccio</p>
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Sunday, October 15th

PA Trunk or Treat Event 3:00-5:00pm

Wednesday, October 18th

Flu Clinic

Thursday, October 19th

School Picture Day

Friday, October 20 th	St. Anthony Gianelli Feast Day Mass 8:45 am
Friday, October 27 th	Independent Learning/Professional Day
Sunday, October 29 th	Colorathon
Wednesday, November 1 st	All Saint's Day Mass – 9:00 am
Friday, November 10 th	Veteran's Day Prayer Service – 9:00 am
Monday, November 13 th	Veteran's Day Holiday – No School

MISSION STATEMENT

Sharing the Love of the Heart of Christ is the foundation of the St. Rocco School community.

We are dedicated to creating a safe environment that instills

Catholic values and nourishes the development and growth of the whole person.

We are committed to excellence in academic standards

that prepares students to reach their full potential and meet the global challenges of the world.



Courage - "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

CHRIST is the reason for this school.

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