### A ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OCTOBER 23, 2025



# THURSDAY PACKET



Weekly Parent Newsletter

### Principal Letter

St. Rocco School Weekly Newsletter Week of October 20, 2025

Dear St. Rocco Families,

It is so good to be back in school! I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Montecalvo for doing an amazing job leading our school in my absence. Her dedication and care for our students and staff truly reflect the spirit of St. Rocco School.

Grandparents' Day was a huge success! It was such a joy to see so many of our grandparents in the building, sharing special moments with their grandchildren. The smiles, hugs, and laughter filled our halls with love and gratitude.

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce our **Open House for new families on Sunday, November 16th,** immediately following the 10:00 a.m. Mass (from 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.). If you know of any families who may be interested in joining our St. Rocco community, please help us spread the word. Our teachers and staff will be here to welcome visitors and showcase all the wonderful things happening in our school.

Every day, I feel truly blessed to come to work and see our children learning, growing, and thriving. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in making St. Rocco School such a special place.

With gratitude and blessings, Mrs. D'Amico

Principal, St. Rocco School







# Reminders/Housekeeping



\*\*IF YOUR CHILD IS NOT FEELING WELL, please keep them home and call or email the SCHOOL OFFICE FIRST (by 8:30 am) 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. 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.

<u>DRESS CODE</u>: — 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.





<u>DRESS DOWN DAY POLICY/MONTHLY PASSES</u> ~ 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 paper 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.

### Friendly Reminder of our Birthday Policy found on Page 7 in the Student Handbook ~

<u>Birthdays:</u> All students' names will be announced over the PA system in the morning, and each student receives a free "Dress Down" day for their birthday. <u>Birthday invitations are not permitted to be distributed to classmates unless the entire class is invited to the celebration.</u> Invitations can be distributed off the school grounds after school ~ not in the presence of all the classmates. **Also, gifts for birthday students from family or friends are not to be brought into school.** (Examples may include balloons, flowers, etc.).

Thank you all for your cooperation regarding Birthdays.



<u>Dress Down Day for Gloria Gemma – Thank you for your generous</u> <u>donations – Our school raised \$263.00</u>



We have been very busy in class this month. The children have adjusted well with the absence of Sr. Daisy while she is in Italy, and they all look forward to seeing her soon. I've been sharing her beautiful pictures as she sends them.

In Science we have been learning all about the parts of a plant and we have a touch and feel activity of items that grow in a garden. We cut a pumpkin and separated the pulp from the seeds and focused on the stages of a pumpkin's journey from seeds to becoming a grown pumpkin.

The children have been working daily on math using number sequences, estimates, regrouping tens and ones, greater and less than, expanded form and solving work problems. One thing is evident your children love math.

In Religion we continue to learn all about the leaders of the Church and their roles. We are discussing how we belong to the Church. We are also learning many ways to enrich our Faith Experience. We just started a chapter on the Commandments with a focus on the first three. We have assigned all our children their Saints for All Saint Day on Monday, November 3, 2025.

Our daily lessons on Phonics and Grammar consists of compound words and sentences, correct punctuation, nouns, pronouns, reading stories and exploring the breakdown of the plot, characters, setting, conflict and theme.

In Social Studies, we have been working on Government, naming all the branches and roles of our leaders. We learned about our community by separating them by Rural, City and Urban areas.

We are continuing to learn 10 new spelling works a week and writing sentences using each work and focusing on correct punctuation.

We just started a unit on Health consisting of keeping our germs to ourselves, proper handwashing and the best way to stay healthy as we start the season of colds and viruses.

Thank you for all your support and we look forward to continued learning and fun activities as we enter the Holiday Season.

Dale Calcione - Grade 2 Substitute Teacher

**SRS PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER** 

BACK TO SCHOOL EDITION

10-23-25

## Trunk or Treat

Thank you to everyone who spent the time to decorate their trunk! All the trunks were amazing! A shout out to all who donated and came out for our annual Trunk or Treat! We had a beautiful day and a great time was had by all!









Congratulations to our Best Trunk **Hocus Pocus!** 



In School Halloween Gan Extravaganza October 30th

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

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. Contact sscarcella@cpsed.net or the office to let us know. Set Up is Wednesday October 29th 5:15-7:00pm after basketball practice. Come help us convert the gym to a festive Halloween scene!



So much creativity and fun!

### **Dine Out Nights!**

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Chuck-E-Cheese Dine Out . Together we raised \$167! Our next Dine Out Night is November 18th at Chelo's 1275 Reservoir Ave. Cranston.





# Calendar Raffle Update

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



Parent Association Officers

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





# Grandparents Day ~ 2025









Thank you, Mrs. Muccio and Mrs. Rachdouni, for organizing our Grandparents Day Celebrations. We had 6 celebrations in all, 3 each day. Not an easy feat! Your hard work and creativity are greatly appreciated!

We'd like to also thank all our grandparents who came

to celebrate with their grandchildren. We recognize the very special role our grandparents play in the lives of our St. Rocco's children. Whether it be spiritually, emotionally, or financially our grandparents are such a support to our children and families. We thank you for all you do and hope we have brought a smile to your face this week!

That's Amore!







Thursday, October 30th

Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>
Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>
Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>
Wednesday November 26<sup>th</sup>
Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup>
Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup>

Halloween Games Extravaganza – 8:30~12:30

In School Grade PK 3~5th

St. Rocco's All Saint's Mass – 8:45

1st Friday Mass – 8:45

Veteran's Day – No School

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Day – 11:30 dismissal/No aftercare

Thanksgiving Day – No School

Day after Thanksgiving ~ 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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CHRIST is the reason for this school.

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