

**Important Dates:**

**Wednesday, November 29th- Open House 5pm**

**Wednesday, December 20th-Teacher/Staff/Parish Christmas party**

**Thursday, February 8th-PTO Meeting 6:30pm**

**Saturday, March 9th-Father/Daughter Dance**

**Date:** November 9, 2023

**Prayer and Introductions**

**President Report – Jeanine McKenzie**

* Color Walk Final - $107,133.45
	+ Record spending
		- Thanks to online platform
		- More corporate sponsors
		- And Raffles
	+ Raffle $6,025.00
	+ Shirt Sales $12,825
	+ Corporate online donations $19,850.00
	+ Corporate Checks $24,750
	+ Personal donations $41,814
	+ Total fees $2,469.45
* Expenses
	+ First Fruits – Church reinstated “First Fruits:” any ministry who raises more than $5000, must give 10% back to the church
		- $10,000 of total raised went back to church
	+ Shirts $4,700.50
	+ Water bottles $1,085.00
	+ DJ $350.00
	+ Blizzard Parties $265.00
	+ Sam’s Club $154.98
	+ Candy Bouquet $150.00
	+ Sign Company $110.00
	+ Teacher Gift Cards $100.00
	+ Donuts $37.40
	+ Misc. $27.31
* Spending transparency

**Treasurers Report - Lauren Mudd**

* Account balances
	+ As of 10/31/23 - $216,834
* Major PTO expenses
	+ Spent almost 50k for first trimester
		- Guitars – 5th grade $6,290.00
		- Math Resources 2nd grade $159.00
		- Teachers lounges
			* Appliances – Coffee machines $300.00
		- Recess equipment $340.00
			* CAM donated old balls
		- Math kits 3rd- 8th grade $352.00
		- GaGa Pit Mat - $3,885.00
			* Must be professionally installed
		- 7th grade stem robotics kits $5,999.25
		- Picnic Tables (10) $14,206.00
			* Due to wear and tear, yellow jacket infestation. Will be professionally installed.
		- First grade IPads $15,090.00
* Books for Library- not yet been purchased, hopefully by Christmas

**Open House Update - Sarah Hill**

* Open house next month November 29 Wednesday at 5
	+ 25 families ranging from preschool to middle school will tour our school
	+ 15 volunteers
		- In need of preschool family volunteers specifically - lots of preschool prospective families signed up for Open House
* Inquiries through website
* Applications for 2024-2025 school year are due in January – this does not guarantee enrollment

**Class Party Plans - Jeanine McKenzie**

* First holiday party went well, but will make a few adjustments for future parties:
	+ Google form for party supply orders
		- Deadline December 1
		- Guarantee delivery by December 15
		- May order supplies from Sams Club and Amazon
		- PTO will provide plates, napkins, bottled water
	+ PTO will host Kona Ice party for entire school at the end of the year

**Grandparent & Parent Mass - Jeanine McKenzie**

* Grand Parents Day
	+ In the past we split up grade levels – elementary grades and middle school grades. All grades cannot go to church at the same time with Grandparents in attendance
	+ Feb March and April, no official dates yet
	+ It will be mass with the kids, followed by donuts in the classroom
* Muffins with Mom/ Donuts with Dad
	+ Due to lack of space, it will also be mass with the kids, followed by treats in the classrooms
	+ Late winter

**Principal Report – Dr. Sturtzel**

* Accountability Report - in email 11/9/23
	+ Catholic Services Appeal
		- School contest
			* 5th and up
			* 4th and below
			* Whoever has most participation gets a field trip
				+ (last years trip was to see Super Mario Bros movie and lunch)
* First couple months of school- off to great start!
	+ Dr. Sturtzel has visited 100s of classes and is so proud of students and teachers
		- Lots of conversation about academics amongst peers
		- Each grade will have a public exhibition
			* Disaster projects 8th grade
			* Boo-ography 4th grade
	+ All clubs are back up and running
		- Quick recall
		- STLP
		- KYA
		- Lego club
		- Drama Club- Little Mermaid Jr. November 10 - 12
* Snow days
	+ If we have a snow day
		- First day will be a traditional snow day and would be made up on March 29, 2024
		- Second consecutive day would be distance learning
			* NTI allows us to still wrap the year before Memorial Day
* Scheduled to be off March 29 day before spring break (will be a make up day should school be cancelled due to weather)
* Current Challenges
	+ General since ofoverwhelm- everything is back now (clubs, extracurriculars, etc)
	+ Kids Behavior
		- Transition times, recess, outside of school
		- Social conflicts
		- Executive functioning
			* Working memory, time on task, initiating a task, attention, response inhibition (self control)
				+ Gaps in these areas cause stress to kids. Manifests in kids talking, not paying attention, for example.
		- Social Media
		- Boundaries
		- Families having conversations regarding behavior and expectations would help
		- Small group mentors for kids to talk to from outside of St. Patrick staff would help
		- Making Good Behavior phone calls- called several families to report great behavior!
* Report cards coming out Wednesday November 16.
* Joe Powell, started archery club, donated machine to school that prints posters
	+ First print - 5th grade student made flyer for Little Mermaid Jr., hung by Schindler Hall!