

**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!