



- ST. CECILIA SCHOOL - E-NEWSLETTER

October 24, 2018

We're Better Together!

A Note From Mrs. Garcia

Check your calendars closely...the bewitching fun of Halloween is on its way! In seven days, St. Cecilia School will be overtaken by the spirits of Trick or Treat! Costumes are most welcome, if they follow these guidelines. Remember, Wednesday, October 31st is a school day; our students will be in school, climbing stairs, sitting at their desks, playing at recess, and eating snack and lunch. So keep the costume simple, comfortable and manageable!

COSTUME GUIDELINES 2018:

MASKS - may be worn during the parade, not during classroom or recess activities

ACCESSORIES - may be used to complement the costume during the parade, they are not to be considered toys for playtime.

AVOID weapons, chains, instruments of gore and other inappropriate items for the school environment

SHOES - must have closed toes and must fit properly

MAKE-UP - should be fitting of the costume and simple. It should not interfere with classroom activities or playing

Costumes are not to represent any issue that does not belong on the campus of St. Cecilia School! #finestgreatestbest

OCTOBER 31ST PARADE PROTOCOL:

The Schoolyard will be opened to Visitors at 11:10 am. Please wait until 11:10 to file in so that the students have time to get into their places. We ask that Parents and Visitors assemble at the Pavilion end of the schoolyard or BEHIND the student lines. Our Student Council Leaders will be directing students and Visitors, so let's all be considerate of their expectations.

Whew! Moving along, just as October is beginning to transition into November...our recitation of the Rosary continues this week. We are meditating on the Luminous Mysteries at 8:10. Please join us! I want to say Thank You to the Fr. Loi, the Teachers and parents for proclaiming the first decade in various languages. The Rosary is a universal prayer and experiencing that universality adds more meaning to our prayers.

Looking ahead to November, check your calendar for your Conference appointment! Know that the students will be taking the second installment of our STAR Testing the first two weeks of November.

Follow St. Cecilia!



Dates & Reminders

October 25

Open House TK & K

October 26

End of 1st Quarter
Student Council Free Dress, \$1

October 27

Boys Basketball Tryouts (3rd)

October 28

Confirmation Meeting 9:30am
First Reconciliation Meeting,
10:30am
Boys Basketball Tryouts (6th & 8th)

October 31

Halloween Parade

November 1

Student Body Mass 11am
Photo Retakes

November 3

Father-Daughter Dance

November 4

Confirmation Meeting 10:30am
Boys Basketball Tryouts (4th & 7th)

November 5-9

12:30pm Dismissal
Parent Teacher Conferences

If you check the School Calendar on School Speak, note that November and December have been cleared up so that those dates are correct. Soon the 2019 months will be corrected.

No matter how busy we get with school events, fundraisers, deadlines, and planning, let us remember that ~ We Are Better Together!

Joy,
Mrs. Garcia

A Gentle Reminder: All items for the newsletter must be sent to both vgranucci@stceciliaschool.org & kgarcia@stceciliaschool.org OR placed in Veronica Granucci & Mrs. Garcia's mailbox in the school office no later than 8am on the Tuesday prior. Thank you!

School News

YOUNG FAMILIES HALLOWEEN PARTY

St. Cecilia Young Families Group is hosting a Halloween Party Saturday, October 27 in the Lower Church, 6:00pm - 8:00pm. Join them for dinner, fun, and games! Children 0-5 years of age are welcome with their parents! Costumes are expected! RSVP fr.liliedahl@stcecilia.com by October 24th.

HALLOWEEN CANDY GUESS

October 22nd - October 26th during morning recess. Guesses are 10¢ each or 3 Guesses for 25¢.

There will be two categories Grades TK- K-3 and Grades 4-8
Winners will be announced at the Halloween Parade on October 31st!

FREE DRESS FOR \$1

Student Council is sponsoring a free dress for \$1.00 on Friday, October 26th. Class Representatives will be at classroom doors in the morning to collect donations. All proceeds will benefit the Missionary Childhood Association. The Missionary Childhood Association (formerly Holy Childhood) is a Catholic children's organization that benefits children in foreign mission dioceses. Through MCA children learn about the unity of the Church, pray for each other and send monetary support.

Please follow the school's free dress policy. All clothes should be appropriate for school. Students should wear closed toe shoes and socks. Be sure shoes are appropriate for the Pavilion.

BOYS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Below is the schedule for the St. Cecilia Boy's Basketball tryouts. If you are unable to attend the tryout then you must contact Pete Franceschi to let him know. He can be contacted via phone at (415) 250 - 6800 or email at pfranceschi@earthlink.net.

Saturday 10/27
3rd Grade 6:30 - 8:00

Sunday 10/28
6th Grade 4:00 - 5:30
8th Grade 6:00 - 7:30

November 11

School Hosted Mass 9:30am

November 14

Book Club: Gr 5-6

Book Club: Gr 7-8

November 20

Open House TK-6

November 21

12:30 Dismissal

November 22-23

Thanksgiving Holiday

November 26

12:30 Dismissal

November 29

Open House TK-6

December 2

Confirmation Meeting 10:30am

December 4

First Reconciliation 7:30pm

December 6

First Reconciliation 7:30pm

November & December are on School Speak. 2019 months coming soon!

Sunday 11/4

4th Grade 1:00 - 2:30

7th Grade 3:00 - 4:30

GO IRISH!

CYO FUNDRAISER

Order Forms for the Fall Fundraiser are due Monday, October 29th! If you need an extra form for Free Dress or Prizes, make a copy of the form enclosed in the original packet. Thank you for your support!

FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE

The SC Father Daughter Dance is scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd at 7:00 pm in the Durocher Pavilion. There will be a DJ, photographer, face painters, caricaturists, a photo booth and a dessert bar. The cost is \$30 for Dads and \$25 for Daughters. **After October 31st** or if paid at the event, ticket prices will be \$35 and \$30. Please make checks payable to the Men of St. Cecilia and drop off at the Rectory. Any questions can be directed to Mike Riordan at mriordan@mcguire.com, Ray Williamson at ray@rwins.biz or Mark McGlade at mcglade@pacbell.net.

YEARBOOK ORDERS

Order your yearbook early and get 10% off the book price if purchased by October 31st! Log in to your TreeRing account at treering.com/signin to order! If you are new, create an account by going to TreeRing.com/validate and entering our school's passcode: 1013442885293677. There, you can order a book and upload photos to the Family Submitted folder to help our yearbook crew collect memories from this year. You can also choose to design custom pages for your child's individual yearbook! Two free custom pages are included with your order, with the option of purchasing more for a low price. Custom page designs will be due in March. Yearbooks will be distributed to students in May.

Please contact yearbook moderator Ms. Mary Beth McLean at mbmclean@stceciliaschool.org with any questions.

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Help raise money for SC by purchasing Christmas Wreaths for your home, family, and friends!



All orders must be submitted to the school office no later than November 12th. [Please click here to print the form.](#)

Be sure to swing by the front office during Parent Teacher Conferences to check-out our sample!

FRESH, FRAGRANT EVERGREEN WREATHS that will last through the New Year will be available for pick up at school the week of December 3rd.

Direct ship is available at additional cost. Please use code:

SC17564

[Alpine Farms](#)

Contact Nicole Mullen (nicolemullen10@yahoo.com) for more information.

FESTIVAL NEWS - THANK YOU



Our SC State Fair came and went in a flash, we are sorry to see it end. As the Chairpersons of this event, we would like to extend a huge **THANK YOU** to all who helped in any way. There were times when we were not sure who was having more fun, the kids or us.

Our journey began last May with a BIG idea - with considerable planning, collaboration and huge thanks to all of you; the SC State Fair became a reality. Your support is overwhelming and magnifies the true spirit of the St. Cecilia community! Thanks to our principal, Kathie Garcia, who provided guidance, support and organization that was demonstrated all weekend. We had wonderful efficient assistance from Karen Colon who fielded so many jobs relating to the event cheerfully whenever (every day) we stuck our heads in the office. Jessica O'Reilly, thank you so much for all your help with weekly raffle and communication handouts. To the 7th and 8th Grade student volunteer army, we salute you, and we thank your teachers for filling in so many shifts during the Festival. We appreciate all the extra time the teachers put in at the event, and in the classroom. Special thanks to Melanie Manning in Extended Care, for having the students make beautiful and creative artwork that brings such a special and personal touch to our Festival. Thanks faculty, staff and kids!

We want to thank Msgr. Loi for his leadership and for giving us the latitude to play loud music, take over the yard with Carnival rides, host watermelon and pie eating contests, and Karaoke contests throughout the weekend!

We would also like to call attention to the Rectory office staff Jessica, Alexandra and Irma. Wow, we went through a lot pulling some of this together and you were all so calm and extremely helpful, thanks!

To the 2018 St. Cecilia State Fair Festival staff, the words, "Thank You" does not cover it. These are the hardest working people with the best attitudes. Beginning Tuesday afternoon into the evening, Frank Casement and Gerry Kelly's operations crew and their two right hand people, Ivan Diviney & Barry McShane built the entire festival. Then, Daphne Pangilinan and Eileen Griffith and their awesome team of decorators arrive to transform our school to the SC State Fair. On Thursday, Booth Chairs take over their kingdoms for the entire weekend. An army of people - all with smiles and "how can we help?" Simply amazing! Thanks to Silent Auction co-chairs: Yvonne Fenton and Caroline Lalosh and their team for the months of hard work in collecting items and assembling the beautiful display of auction baskets! Slainte to The Moriarty's for running a smooth operation in the Green Room. Thanks to Gabby Hildebrand and Shane Perotti for their hard work in the very successful snack bar. Thanks to Lou and Stephanie Ibarra - Rivera and Ryan Garcia for keeping everyone fed and hydrated in the beer garden - awesome food and atmosphere! Huge thanks to Ryan Crosby and his security team; we are so fortunate to have S.F.'s finest taking care of business every year. Thanks to Kathleen McKeon for being our financial advisor and for keeping us on track from the very beginning. And to Jeanne Connolly and Leslie Bauer for managing our funds throughout the weekend - your organization and commitment is appreciated! To Kimberlee Caniglia who designed our SC State Fair Logo and created our signs- what a fabulous job! We would also like to recognize the generosity of Leo McFadden for donating the use of his debris trailer for the weekend. Thanks as well to all those behind the scenes taking care of all the details that are so important to a successful event.

SC State Festival Booth Chairs:

Frank Casement, Operations	Linda Barnes, Cake Booth	Ed Lalosh, Outdoor Rides	Yvonne Fenton, Silent Auction
Gerry Kelly, Operations	Jenny Noyes, Cake Booth	Mary Wachowicz, Pan Game	Caroline Lalosh, Silent Auction
Paola Uang, Grand Awards	Roxanne Parker, Cake Booth	Diana Zogoric, Pan Game and Jr High Volunteers	Anne Marie Porter, Carnival Ride Sales
Katrina Melaugh, Grand Awards	Natasha Fernandez Del Campo, Change Booth	Annie Blas, Pull Tabs	Gabby Hildebrand, Snack Bar
Stephanie Dekker, Booth Sponsorships	Erin McLure MacDonald, Kidz Zone	Jennifer Strunk, Adult Volunteers	Shane Perotti, Snack Bar
Ryan Crosby, Security	Jessica O'Reilly, Kidz Zone	Simonette Dela Calzada, Glitter Tattoos	Anne Sweeney, Spirit Booth
Sean Moriarty, Adult Bar	Finnoula McEvoy- Pecko, Kidz Zone	Jennifer Dorantes Face Painting,	Lisa Leese, Webmaster
Matt Moriarty, Adult Bar	Beth Lucey, Candy Booth	Mary Radonovich, Sports	Will Lucey, Blackjack
Ed Arce, Bingo			

Denise Dominicelli, Bingo	Kathleen McKeon, Candy Booth	Booth	Bill McFarland, Blackjack
Erin Burke, Blue & Gold	Jeanne Connolly, Counting Rm	Tina Balestreri, Sports Booth	Danny Manning, Dice
Teresa McLoughlin, Blue & Gold	Leslie Bauer, Counting Rm	Liz Rogers, First Aid	Melanie Manning Green
Sherri Duffy, Blue and Gold	Daphne Pangilinan, Decorations	Regan Stuart Killion, First Aid	Room Ticket Sales
Kathleen Green, Books & DVD	Blythe and Mike Hurley, SalamiToss	Paul Haettenschweiler, Entertainment Stage	Mike Mulkerrins, Sportsbook
Susan McKeon, Books & DVD	Sean Duffy and the MOSC, Liquor Booth, MCs and overall handy man and motivator	Tara Moriarty, Entertainment Stage	Tricia Kopp, Stuffed Animals
Tessa McFarland, Halloween	Shana Combatalade, Greater Giving	Vikki Abendroth, Communications	Sheila Vaughan, Stuffed Animals
Lorna Walker, Halloween		Boy Scouts Pack 108, Refuse, Recycling and Compost	Bryan Blake & Patty Coggan, Parish Pasta Dinner
Myrna Vega, Cotton Candy			Veronica Granucci, Alumni Director
Lou Ibarra-Rivera, Beer Garden			
Stephanie Brandin Ibarra-Rivera, Beer Garden			

The saying "it takes a village" fully applies to our parish festival, we thank you ALL. We were honored to have worked with you. Our 2018 SC State Fair has left us with many happy memories, stories and pictures to share, great new friendships, sore feet, hoarse voices and the satisfaction of a job well done! This parish community has proven beyond any doubt that it lives up to the hashtag #finestgreatestbest

Janice Calonico, Mike and Alexis Heathcote, Ailish McVeigh, Colleen Mulkerrins

Thanks to all who participated as donors and volunteers! The festival could not be a success without you. Please help us recognize some of the folks who worked tirelessly to bring you the SC State Fair!

Silent Auction Co-Chairs: Yvonne Fenton, Caroline Lalosh and their crew, Heather Pierce Baria, Katie McCaffrey

Decorations: We want to recognize Daphne Paglialon, Eileen Griffith and their crew: Edna Hoo, Michelle da Luz and Tuyet Ontiveros- for a fantastic job on pulling together all the State Fair Decorations! Such a huge job done with grace. Thanks, Ladies!

Set-Up/Clean Up: Joe Casement & Gerry Kelly and their crew: Ivan Diviney, Matt Chigos, Sean Considine, John Lee, Sean Duffy, Eddie Hartnett, Joe Moulia, Brian Kyne, Pat Mullen, Chris Angelopoulos, Ray Williamson, Chris Pratt, Jeff Gee, Joe Jaber, Refugio Sainez, Morgan Lehto, Stephanie Chigos, Jose Almanza, John Munoz, Brien Hoo, Ricky Caceres, Victor Diaz, Jim Keenan, Chris Moreno, Fred Oropeza, Jim Horan, Chris Vikery John Cigavic, Nicole Guifoyle Brian Peko, Don Pangilinan John Palmer, Barry McShane, Chris Moreno, Kai Chow, Chris Snyder, Matthew Gainer, James Plato, Michael Abendroth, Leah Kramer

Security: Ryan Crosby and SF's Finest: Jeff Aloise, Frank Hagan, Tom Maguire, TJ O'Sullivan, Juan Baisman, Rob Roland, Coleman, Gene Bytof

Parish Dinner: Thanks to Bryan Blake and Patty Coggan for serving over 400 people at our Parish Pasta Dinner! Delicious!

Entertainment: Special thanks to Paul Haettenschweiler and Tara Moriarty for keeping us entertained over the weekend. Great music, fun contests, entertaining karaoke, line dancing and more-, which attributed to the exhilarating atmosphere of the weekend! Thank you!

Room Mothers: Thank you to all the room mothers who put together the beautiful class baskets for the Silent Auction. Our kids love to see their class represented at the Festival, and your efforts were truly appreciated.

Special thanks to Sean Duffy and the MOSC for the support leading up to, and during the festival!

Refuse and Recycling: Special thanks Boy Scouts pack 108 led by cubmasters Nicholas F Nerney and Angela Nerney for their help with composting, recycling and refuse! What a great job and such hard work!

Thanks boys!

Congratulations to the 2018 State Fair Winners!

Grand Awards

1st Prize: \$4,000 Anne Kyne

2nd Prize: \$1,000 Pamela Ko

3rd Prize \$100 Winners: Erin and Kenny Burke, John Harrington, the Ridley Family, Ann Corbery

Raffle Winners:

Carnival Rides: 1st Place m. Tobin 2/1 2nd Place - Jack Sheek 2/3 3rd Place: Arianna Fong, K Blue

Durocher Pavilion Overnight: Alexander Pasztory

Free Dress Passes for A Week: Kate McFarland 7/24 Sabina Pasztory

iWatch-: Carrick Moriarty

Nintendo Switch: T. Cibotti K Blue

Candy Booth Contest - Ice Cream Party:

Congratulations to Kindergarten Blue, winner of the ice cream party for donating the most candy, 271

points! Thanks to everyone who supported the Candy Booth with your generous donations! Cake Booth Cake Decorating Contest; Congrats to Simonette Dela Calzada - Blue Ribbon winner! Thanks to everyone for the very generous donations! There were some very creative State Fair themed cakes and pies!

The top 3 classes with the most donations receive free dress on a date to be determined by the teacher.

First place: Mrs Watters

Second place: Ms Nettles

Third place: Ms Nomicos

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