



ST. BERNARD Catholic School

Weekly Principal Update 11/5 - 11/10

NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Nov. 6th - Packer Dress Down

Nov. 7th - New Spanish Speaking Family Meeting, 4:30 pm, School Library

Nov. 9th - NUT Card Day (Paid)

Nov. 10th - Early Dismissal for Teacher InService, 12:30 pm

Nov. 11th - Veteran's Day

Nov. 14, 15, 16 Reconciliation (9:15-11:15 am) Grades 3-8

Nov. 14 Marketing/SAC Meetings 5:00 pm /6:00 pm, School Library

Nov. 17th - All School Mass 8:45 am

Nov. 22nd - Mass 8:45 am, Kindergarten Special Person, Dog Races for Magazine Drive @ 12:00 noon. EARLY RELEASE 12:30 pm

Nov. 23/24 - Thanksgiving Days Off

MONDAY NOV. 6th

PACKER DRESS DOWN - Packer top and comfy bottoms (no holes, tears, rips, etc.)



SOCIAL MEDIA FEEDS

Check our our social media feeds for pictures of our Socktober Collection, All Saints Day Celebration and All Souls Day Memorial Table/Blessing.

[Facebook](#)

[Instagram](#)

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SAVE THOSE TRAVEL SIZED TOILETRIES!

If you are a traveler or you know someone who travels, we will be collecting travel sized toiletries in January. Our students will be stuffing these inside of our socks so that they can be gifted to the homeless visitors at the St. John's Homeless Shelter.

NOV. - THANKSGIVING BASKETS

In November we traditionally work with the Knights, the Girl Scouts, Religious Education and the parish to collect food for 30 families who are connected with the parish food pantry. Please see the Brown Envelope flyer from last week with the requested items by grade level.

CYBER SAFETY

More and more of our children have communication devices in their hands. Here is what we do at school to educate our students on how to stay safe:

- Cyber Safety Lessons (Ophelia Project): 5th & 7th Grades
- Cyber Safety Lessons (Safe Environment): Integrated in annual Safe Environment Lessons
- "Acceptable Use" overview for 3rd-8th grade students at the beginning of each year
- Bi-Annual Parent Presentation with Guest Speaker RE: Cyber Safety and Cyber Awareness
- Ongoing conversations with students

Materials for Parents

[Homeland Security Webpage](#) - links to multiple resources for parents and children
Scroll to the bottom of the page for Fact Sheets.

SAFER - Intruder Response Lessons

Ms. VanDyke will be sending a letter home this Monday, alerting parents to our upcoming SAFER training with the students. Her letter will delineate the topic, language and materials that will be used to provide age-appropriate, non-anxiety provoking, information to our students. The phrase you will hear most is, "I'm not scared, I'm prepared." PLEASE, try to refrain from giving your child a preview of what is to come this week. Our lessons will be much more successful if your trust can be placed in us to calmly and rationally share this important information with your children. We do encourage you however, to ask questions after the lessons. "What did you learn? Where is your rally point? What kinds of things can you do to keep you and your classmates safe? Etc."



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Preparing for an intruder should be no different than the routines we go through to prepare for fires, tornados, etc. **Lessons will be presented by grade level on Tuesday and Wednesday. Our walk to the rally points will be on Thursday.** Preschool students will not walk to the rally points with us this week. Preschool will be able to practice walking to rally points separately as to keep them focused on the locations and how to get there.

DECEMBER NOTES

December is always a busy month. You can get a preview of dates, concerts, and other happenings by looking at the hard copy calendar that came home at the beginning of the year. Our calendar on the [website](#) is also up-to-date through December as well.

ENROLLMENT FOR 18/19 SAVE THE DATE:

Kindergarten Visit Day (current and prospective PK4 students and families) - Jan. 17th, 1:00-3:00 pm

Open House (current EC-8th students and families, prospective families) - Jan. 28th, 11:00 am -1:00 pm.

PRIORITY ENROLLMENT WINDOW - there will be a one week priority window for current families to enroll before new families are accepted. Specifics will be shared as the date gets closer.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING EXTRAVAGANZA

Thank you to our amazing team of parent volunteers who put on another successful [Holiday Shopping event!](#) This was a huge team effort and the school was transformed into a Christmas Wonderland with 50+ vendors, yummy treats and holiday cheer. Congratulations on this success!

