PTO Particulars: November 2021

Greetings, Holy Cross families! As we enter the "holiday season" I hope everyone can relax and enjoy time with their loved ones.

Our **Achatz Pie Fundraiser** was a smashing success! We sold 162 coupons with a profit of \$810...quite a bit more than last year! A huge THANK YOU to **Deb Callahan** for heading up this fundraiser! And THANK YOU to every family who participated and was able to sell-Carson Schneider and family sold \$701 worth of coupons!!!

The **Harvest Dinner** was a wonderful event, as always! Thank you everyone who was able to attend and volunteer!

Our Scholastic Book Fair is quickly approaching. Information went home with the Crusaders this week. Next Wednesday, November 10th, will be a preview day for the students from 8:00am-10:45am and 12:00pm-2:45pm. Thursday, November 11th and Friday, November 12th have hours that coincide with Parent-Teacher conferences. Thursday's hours will be 8:00am-10:45am; 12:00pm-3:45pm and 5:00pm-7:45pm. Friday's hours will be 8:00am-10:45am; 12:00pm-3:45pm and 5:00pm-7:45pm. Friday's hours will be 8:00am-10:45am and 12:00pm-2:45pm. The Book Fair is an excellent opportunity to knock out some holiday shopping whilst supporting our individual classrooms in addition to our entire school. Thank you Bridgette Pennington, Sunshine Olivier and Suzy DeVeny for all your hard work setting this up! Contact Sunshine Olivier at sunshinemariephotography@yahoo.com to volunteer some time running the register.

The following week is our **Thanksgiving Feast**, which is being held on Friday, November 19th. Due to Covid restrictions, this year's feast will once again be students and staff only. **Adrienne Meldrum** has kindly offered to take the reins this year. If you would like to volunteer your time, please contact her at <u>Adrienne.meldrum@gmail.com</u>. We will be in touch shortly with what we will need to have donated as well. Thank you, dear families, in advance!

One last thing to keep on your radar is our annual tradition of participating in a Christmas Parade. We are hoping to participate in a Marine City Parade (**Tuesday, November 23**rd), but if that does not happen, then we will participate in the St. Clair Parade (**Friday, November 19**th). We will notify you by email and newsletter as things progress. We will certainly need lots of volunteers and participants for this super fun tradition!!

Change of date for December meeting: December's meeting is being moved to Wednesday, December 15th at 6:30pm via Zoom or social/in-person at the Bryson house. We hope this does not cause too much inconvenience!

Do you find yourself wondering about certain things such as...how do Dress Down Days work, what are appropriate sock colors, how do service credits work, etc.? We would like to present a lifeline for these questions and more! If your child is in Lower Elementary (TK/K-4th grade) please contact Becky Bryson (757-334-9662 or <u>beckybryson123@gmail.com</u>) or Tiffany Mensen (810-335-2719 or <u>tiffany.mensen@gmail.com</u>) and we will be happy to answer your questions or even just chat with you about your experience at Holy Cross. If your child is in Upper Elementary (5th-8th) the same is offered by Suzy DeVeny (810-434-3454 or <u>csdeveny@gmail.com</u>). We would love to hear from you!

We hope you will join our next meeting, which is Tuesday, November 9th at 7:30am via Zoom. Please contact Becky at: beckybryson123@gmail.com or 757-334-9662 with your email address so we can get the Zoom meeting codes to you! We ask this instead of a sending out a blanket invitation to the whole school to try to avoid any hacking incidents.

Last, but not least ... PTO wishes everyone a turkeylicious Thanksgiving!!