Immaculate Conception School News

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Blessing of the Pets

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day is **Wednesday, October 4th.** Therefore, Father Hepner will bless your pets on Wednesday morning. Students are to be dropped off beginning at 7:40 in the parking north of ICS off of Archer Street. *Please see attached map for drop off procedures for this day*. ICS faculty and staff will be there to supervise students as they get dropped off. Father will Bless the pets around 8:00am. Please make sure to have someone there to take pets home when the Blessings are complete. Please feel free to park wherever spots are available. Please be aware of students and their pets walking on the roads and parking lots. If you have any questions please contact the school office.

PICTURE RETAKES - OCTOBER 13

Picture retakes are scheduled for <u>Friday</u>, <u>October 13th</u>, <u>at 8:00am</u>. If your child missed school on picture day or if there is something seriously wrong with your recent photo, this is your opportunity to have them retaken. Please return all photos if you are having them retaken. For students who missed that day please bring your form to school also. If you need a new order form, they are available in the office. Online ordering with code EVTV9XQPS is also an option. https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/

ICS Performing Arts Boosters Club

Is your child singing all the time? Do they love to perform? Does your child have talent that you'd like to see nurtured? ICS is seeking members of our community to provide support to ICS Performing Arts! An interest meeting will be held on **Wednesday, October 11th at 6 pm in the Art Room** about starting a Performing Arts Boosters here at ICS. We'd love to have input from all current band, choir and play cast families as well as anyone with younger students who may be participating in future years.

Here is a Google Form link for those who are interested, but cannot attend the meeting on the 11th:

Performing Arts Booster Organization interest survey If you have any questions at all please don't hesitate to contact:, LeAnn Neubauer - 309-313-3735, neubauer07@hotmail.com or Shelby Johnson at 217-440-0733, siohnson@immaculate-conception.net

ICS Chili Dinner & Trunk or Treat information!

The Annual Chili Supper and Trunk or Treat is back!

Join us on Friday, October 27th, from 5pm to 7pm for fellowship and fun! Chili Dinner tickets will go home next Friday (10/6). We always welcome workers to set up, serve, and clean up. If you already signed up for a shift or donation on your Fair Share contract someone will be reaching out to you.

The Book Fair will also need volunteers. Look for volunteer information on that next week, too. Don't forget, having a *decorated trunk earns 50 Fair Share points*, too! Please email Mrs. Lucinda Ricco at lucinda.ricco81@gmail.com if you have any questions or want to earn Fair Share points at this event.

ICS Student Council 2023-2024

Student Council officers and representatives were elected over the last two weeks. Officers were elected by the 4th-8th grades, and representatives were elected by each class. Student Council members will now begin meeting to plan upcoming student activities throughout the year!

President: Cal Casteel - 8th, Vice President: Ty Moore, - 8th, Secretary: Vanessa Adkisson - 8th, Treasurer: Dawson Ricco - 6th, Chaplain: Jenson Parkins - 7th,

8th Grade Representative: Kane Johnson, 7th Grade Representative: Ada Kunkle, 6th Grade Representative: Liza Mahoney, 5th Grade Representatives: Kate Schroeder and Paisley Lipes, 4th Grade Representatives: Jaxson Huston and Ainsley Rundle

Knights of Columbus Blood Drive coming soon!

The Monmouth Council of the Knights of Columbus is teaming up with Immaculate Conception School again to host a blood drive on *October 12th in Mary Twomey Hall from 3:00 - 7:00p.m.* The first blood drive was such a success we thought we'd do it again! Please remember the more blood that we can donate the bigger the grant will be for ICS and the more people we can help. If you are interested please use the following link ImpactLife - Donor Portal (bloodcenter.org)

ICS Halloween Activities

We look forward to celebrating Halloween this year on *Friday, October 27th*.

Please review the following notes...

- On Friday, October 27th ICS will have an 11:30 dismissal.
- Parents need to send their child/ren in their costumes. We remind parents that all costumes must be appropriate and not glorify the devil or evil. We prefer no play weapons. Halloween is the eve of All Saints Day celebrated by the Catholic Church on November 1st. We appreciate your support in ensuring costumes reflect our Catholic philosophy.
- Halloween activities will take place in the morning. Classroom teachers will be in touch with room parents to inform them of safety protocols and procedures in regards to treats.
- If the weather allows we will have the ICS Parade of Costumes outside. *Students will parade around the block at 11:10.* Parents, Grandparents, etc. are welcome to park along the street and take pictures. Please keep in mind when parking that we will have dismissal directly after the parade so please make sure you park somewhere so traffic will not be blocked. If the weather doesn't cooperate we will have the Parade of Costumes in the gym.
- On Halloween, *Tuesday, October 31st*, students will be allowed to dress down and wear their favorite Halloween / Fall apparel.

LOST AND FOUND

There are a significant number of items in the lost and found. Some of these items have been in the lost and found since the first week of school. You are welcome to look through these items to see if anything belongs to your child. The items are on the radiator vent right inside the main entrance to your left. Please consider writing your child's name or initials on tags. This will help us find the owner of the lost item. If you cannot make it to the school during school hours and know of something specific your child is missing, please contact Mrs. Schroeder at meghanschroeder@gmail.com and she will check the lost and found for you. Thank you!

Safe Environment for School Volunteers

We would like to thank all the parents and families who quickly completed their Safe Environment training. If you haven't completed this please take time to do so. Create an account CMGConnect to register, complete the "Safe Environment Training", fill out a CANTS background check and criminal background check through Selection. There is a \$6 processing charge plus fees for each selection background check that each participant will be responsible for. These are all requirements by the Diocese to be a volunteer on a field trip or class room parties. Also, from time to time, ICS might need a few drivers to transport children. If you think you will be available to do this you will also need to complete the safe environment Driving Course in CMG Connect.

If you are interested or have any questions please contact Mrs. Simmons at fsimmons@immaculate-conception.net. A volunteer requirement checklist and additional forms and information is available in the school office.

Beautiful MUMS still AVAILABLE!

Price reduced to \$15

CASH and CARRY until they are gone!

RED, ORANGE, YELLOW, WHITE, PURPLE

Monday-Friday from 7:30-3:30pm in the fenced yard north of the playground

Text Cece at 309.337.7069 with questions or if you need a different pick up time.

All sales earn Fair Share points for ICS Families. Please share!

Thank you for supporting this ICS Fundraiser!

(same place as last year)

We have added Tanner's Orchard Apple Cider Donuts to our Fall Fundraiser!
ICS Families will earn FAIR SHARE POINTS for each item sold.
Thrushwood Farms MEATSTICKS & Tanner's APPLE CIDER DONUTS!
Use the QR code or this link ICSFALL2023.GIVESMART.COM

Meat Sticks & Donut pick up is November 6-7.

Please share on your social media!
Thank you for supporting Immaculate Conception School



Medical requirements reminder

If you have a student that is new to our school. Please be reminded that we need a copy of the **official county** Birth Certificate and a current School Physical Examination. A dental exam is required for Kindergarten, 2nd Grade & 6th Grade. Eye exams are required for Kindergarten before October 15th. Students entering Kindergarten or 6th grade are required to have a school physical by their family physician by October 15th. Also, if your student needs an inhaler or takes a required medication prescribed from a doctor, we will need to have this information from their doctor. Permission for Administration of Medication

Save the date!

ICS Music Department Butter Braid Sale begins October 16th

October Lunch

Church Bulletin