

Immaculate Conception School News

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ICS Auction Update!!!

The 2020 ICS Auction - ***Under The Big Top is finally here!*** ICS will offer walk-throughs to view and bid on auction items on Wednesday, October 28th from 4:30 - 7 and Sunday, November 1st from 10 - 2:00 p.m. at the KC Hall. The walk-throughs are free and open to the public.

Masks will be required and social distancing protocols will be in place to protect all.

The **online** auction will open Monday, November 2nd, at Noon and run through Saturday, November 7th at 9 p.m. Participants can view items, register, and bid at icsauction2020.givesmart.com

Thank you for your continued support!

ICS Book Fair on-line ordering is now OPEN!

Our Book Fair is online this year! Support our school and help your child discover new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more! You'll love the fun new option to shop for Book Fair exclusives directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy free shipping on book orders of \$25+. Every purchase benefits our school and helps develop a love of reading. Visit our Book Fair Homepage anytime between October 22 through November 4 and click "Shop Now" to get started:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/immaculateconceptionschool35>

1st Quarter Report Cards

Please check your child/ren's backpacks for a hard copy of their first-quarter report card this evening. ICS will also email an electronic copy of first quarter report cards. This year we will not require parents to sign and return envelopes as we have in the past. If you have any questions or don't receive a report card please contact the school office.

ICS 20/21 Student Council

The ICS Student Council has begun! Over the last two weeks, officers and representatives were elected. The Student Council will be looking to plan safe activities for the school throughout the rest of the school year. The Student Council is sponsored by Mrs. Kraft

This year's officers are **President:** David Simmons (8th), **Vice President:** Jackson Gillen (8th), **Secretary:** Cadence Schisler(8th), **Treasurer:** Lilly Mahoney (7th), **Chaplain:** Charli Russell (6th). Congratulations to all those who participated.

ICS Halloween Activities

Please remember that ICS will celebrate Halloween on **Friday, October 30** in a fun and safe way for everyone. Please review the following notes

- On ***Friday, October 30th 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. *Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed to be in the building as we continue to minimize people in and out of the building.*
- 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.

*Please note if the weather doesn't cooperate we will not have the Parade of Costumes.

Thank you for your patience and understanding!

NJHS Conducts Pumpkin Decorating Contest

Members of the National Junior Honor Society are conducting their annual pumpkin decorating contest again this year. **Students may bring in their decorated pumpkin beginning on Wednesday, October 28th, and must be turned in to school by 8:00 a.m. on Friday, October 30th.** Students are to write their name on a card and place it in front of their pumpkin. NJHS will judge the pumpkins and will announce the winners in the newsletter and in each classroom. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded. All pumpkins must be taken home by Friday after school. Any pumpkins left at the school will be thrown away before the weekend.

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Parent-Teacher Conferences are right around the corner. Conferences will be Wednesday, November 4th, 1:00 - 6 pm, and Thursday, November 5th, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. by appointment only. ***Due to current guidelines Parent/Teacher Conferences will either be done virtually or by phone. ICS staff sent out an email this week to parents with a Google Form that needs to be completed by Monday, October 26th.** If you did not receive an email please contact the school office.

***Please remember that Conferences for grades Pre-K- through 3rd grade are mandatory. Both days will be an 11:30 dismissal.** Reminder there will be **No School** on Friday, Nov 6th. Please remember when school is dismissed early at 11:30 a.m. that **No lunch** will be served.

Amazon Smile = Free Money For ICS!!

ICS can get money every time you shop on AMAZON..... But, you have to make sure you are set up!!! AmazonSmile customers can now support the Church of the Immaculate Conception in the Amazon shopping app on iOS and Android mobile phones! Simply follow these instructions to turn on AmazonSmile and start generating donations. (it's an easy and FREE way to support ICS- tell your family and friends)

1. **Open the Amazon Shopping app on your device**
2. **Go into the main menu of the Amazon Shopping app and tap into 'Settings'**

3. Tap 'AmazonSmile' and follow the on-screen instructions to complete the process

If you do not have the latest version of the Amazon Shopping app, update your app. Click [here](#) for instructions.

Please note: When looking for the charity by name- we are listed as
Church of The Immaculate Conception, Monmouth, IL - all proceeds go directly to the school!

COVID reminders

*If anyone in your household **has been tested for COVID** and is waiting on results the child/ren in that family needs to **stay home** until a negative test result is confirmed.*

For your reference, some of the common symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- fever of 100.4 degrees;
- loss of taste/smell;
- fatigue/achy muscles;
- sinus/nasal;
- sore throat;
- nausea/vomiting/diarrhea;
- cough; and
- shortness of breath.

If you or your child(ren) display(s) any of the symptoms stated above, or if you have any questions, it is recommended that you contact your physician/pediatrician for further instructions

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