

SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

It was so nice to see so many of you at last Friday's Halloween Carnival. Our eighth grade students did such a great job, manning their tables and helping our younger students navigate the games. It was truly a fun day for all.

This is the time of year when the excitement begins to build in anticipation of Thanksgiving and Christmas. I know it is so hard to believe. From day to day, there just seems to be more on everyone's calendar. As much as we have on our calendars, the children are dealing with their share of responsibilities.

I have shared with many of you a piece of advice one of my graduate school professors once gave me. She told me, "Friday night is the night you should close the school books and do something for you." I know it can be hard, but no matter how old we are and what is going on in our lives, everyone needs to "close the proverbial books" and spend time with family and friends. I would like to add to her advice. I would also suggest powering down cell phones and all electronics. They will all be there on Saturday morning. I believe everyone will feel a little better when they wake up on Saturday morning.

Have a good week.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin
Principal

Attached to the Weekly is the following:

Christmas Pageant Sign-Up Form – Grades K-7

Please review and promptly return.

***Important to Note:**

- Friday, November 4th – **TACHS Exam** for Grade 8th. No school for Eighth Grade only.
- Friday, November 4th – **Fourth Grade Parent Meeting** in the Great Room at 8:45 a.m.
- Friday, November 4th – **Faculty Meeting – 12:00 Early Dismissal. No After School Care.**
- Sunday, November 6th – **Daylight Standard Time – Move clocks 1 hour back.**
- Monday, November 7th – **Annual Fund Launch.**
- Tuesday, November 8th – **Election Day.**
- Wednesday, November 9th – **State-of-the-School Mandatory Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. in McKinnon Hall.
- Friday, November 11th – **Veteran's Day – No School.**
- Friday, November 18th – **End of 1st Quarter.**

***Parent Information:**

- **Second Grade Information:**

Thursday, November 17th – **Parent Reconciliation Meeting** at 3:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Wallace Hall. Please note that you need to attend only one of the meetings.

- **Eighth Grade High School Information**

For any high school that requires transcripts or letters of recommendation from Saint Ignatius Loyola School, the forms were due to Mrs. Zuck on October 21st. For any forms that you submit at this point, you will be assessed a \$50 late fee per application. The fee will be billed to your Smart Tuition account.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Zuck at extension 106.

TACHS

All Saint Ignatius Loyola School eighth graders are required to take the TACHS exam on **Friday, November 4th**. Students are to go directly to their testing site that morning. Students do not need to wear their uniforms.

The TACHS Admit Cards are being distributed to the students this week. Please fill out the card and sign it. Please note, students will not be permitted to enter the exam site without the admit card. Please keep it in a safe place.

The girls will take the exam at **Cathedral High School** and the boys will take the exam at **LaSalle Academy**. Please allow sufficient time for your commute. Arrival time is 8:15 a.m.

Public High Schools

Regular public high school applications are to be completed and submitted to Mrs. Zuck no later than **Thursday, November 3rd**.

- **Ronald McDonald House Kids Charity Fun Run**

The run is scheduled for Saturday, November 12th at 9:00 a.m., in Central Park. You can register for the run online. The registration fee is \$30 per child.

All information regarding the run can be found online. It is important to note that, to be included in our school's team totals, you must join St. Ignatius Loyola Team.

If you have any questions, contact Nancy Muldoon-Coughlin at 917-816-4618.

- **Ronald McDonald House Parent Pantry**

We will be running our annual drive for the Ronald McDonald House through Friday, November 4th. Listed below are the items requested per grade. Your child should bring the item(s) directly to his/her classroom.

Ronald McDonald House Items

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| K - 1 | soup |
| K - 2 | pasta |
| 1 - 1 | coffee |
| 1 - 2 | tea |
| 2 - 1 | rice – brown or white |
| 2 - 2 | cereal |
| 3 - 1 | crackers |
| 3 - 2 | salad dressing |
| 4 - 1 | mustard |
| 4 - 2 | mayonnaise |
| 5 - 1 | ketchup |
| 5 - 2 | tomato sauce |
| 6 - 1 | mashed potato mix |
| 6 - 2 | Sugar/Equal/Splenda |
| 7 - 1 | canned fruit |
| 7 - 2 | canned vegetables |
| 8 - 1 | oatmeal |
| 8 - 2 | bread crumbs |

Thank you for your support of our Ronald McDonald House family.

- **News from the Development Office**

Community Raffle

Dress Down passes will be going home on Monday, November 7th.

A few gentle reminders:

- Dress down passes are numbered and teachers will receive a list of assigned numbers.
- Students are allowed a maximum of 25 passes per child. Numbered passes are assigned to individual students and/or a family. Please note passes can be transferred to **siblings only**.
- The ticket must be given to the homeroom teacher.
- The pass must be given to the teacher on the day the student is out of uniform.
- Passes cannot be used on days when we will be in church, school wide assemblies and other special occasion days when the full school uniform is required. If you are unsure of a specific date, please refer to the school calendar or the Weekly.
- The last day to use Dress Down Passes is Thursday, May 24, 2017.

Halloween Carnival

Thank you to all the Eighth Grade parents who assisted with the Class of 2017's Halloween Carnival. From decorating McKinnon Hall to sorting the goodies, donating prizes and baked goods, staffing the Carnival and helping with clean up - it was truly a labor of love. We thank you!

It was evident on all the students' faces that a great time was had by all! Thank you to our Eighth Grade teachers, Ms. Clancy and Mr. Socorro, and the Class of 2017 for a memorable day of fun. Lastly, we wish to express our gratitude to the co-chairs of the carnival, Mrs. Mei Breen and Mrs. Mamen Gonzalez, for their attention to detail, their time and the dedication they gave to the Carnival.

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