

# SAINT IGNATIUS LOYOLA WEEKLY

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Dear Parents,

At the end of the day, when you stop and reflect on your day, you are probably surprised by all that you have done and packed into your 18 hours from the moment you took that first sip of coffee until you closed your eyes that evening. In those 18 hours, you may just wonder, “What am I really accomplishing?” Here is just a snapshot into a day in the life of your child.

Over the course of the last two weeks, the students have had the opportunity to go on field trips, such as the Museum of Natural History, West Point, the Four Freedoms Memorial and Hansel & Gretel’s Halloween Adventure.

One of the classes had a book publishing party showcasing their “How to Books.” Attendees had the opportunity to learn “How to Swim,” “How to be Kind,” “How to use a Metro Card,” just to name a few. As you know, your child’s day does not end at 3:10 p.m.

The building was abuzz with the Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies and Cadets, basketball practice, orchestra practice, band practice and a host of clubs. Our soccer team ventured over to their game in Central Park on Thursday. Unfortunately, the opposing team did not show. Instead of calling it a day, the students broke up into teams and played a scrimmage game.

So, if you are having “a week” and you are wondering what have you accomplished, know that none of the above would be possible for your children if not for you.

Have a good week.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Larkin  
Principal

Attached to the Weekly are the following:

Permission Slip – Grade 2  
Permission Slip – Grade 5  
SOULCYCLE reservation form – Grades K-8  
CulinArt Lunch Menu for November – Grades K-8

Please review these materials and promptly return those that need to be returned.

**\*Important to Note:**

- Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – **Halloween Carnival Set-Up in McKinnon Hall.**
- Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> – **Halloween Carnival Sponsored by the Eighth Grade in McKinnon Hall.**
- Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – **All Saints Day Mass Grades K-8 at 1:15 p.m., in the Church of St. Ignatius Loyola.**
- Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – **TACHS Exam for Grade 8.**
- Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – **Faculty Meeting – 12:00 p.m. Dismissal. No After School Care.**

- Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – **Daylight Savings Time – Fall Back 1 hour.**
- Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> – **Annual Fund Launch.**
- Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – **Election Day.**
- Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> – **Veteran’s Day Observed – No School.**
- Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> - **Veteran’s Day.**
- As per the New York State Department of Health, it is important to note that all **Sixth-Grade students** are required to have the **TDAP vaccination and all Seventh Grade and Eighth Grade students** are required to have the **meningococcal vaccination.**

The New York State Department of Health vaccinations are noted in the Parent Student Handbook on page 69 through page 73. At this point, if your child has not been vaccinated, the school is out of compliance with the Department of Health regulations. If you have a doctor’s appointment already scheduled, I ask that you have the doctor write me a brief note stating the date of your child’s future appointment.

You will be contacted if your son/daughter has not been immunized in regard to regarding your son’s/daughter’s exclusion from school.

- **Date Change**  
Please take note that the 2017 State of the School has been rescheduled from November 8, 2017 to Wednesday, January 24, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- **Ronald McDonald House**  
Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, will be the last day to drop off items for our annual drive for the Ronald McDonald House. Listed below are the items requested per grade.

**Ronald McDonald House Items**

- 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.

- **Let's Band Together for an Instrument Drive**  
A Saint Ignatius Loyola School alum is holding an Instrument Drive for his community project to become an Eagle Scout. He is collecting new and used musical instruments and donating them to not-for-profit music schools in New York City that serve underprivileged youth.

Donations of all string instruments and band instruments will be accepted. This includes the clarinet, flute, piccolo, trumpet, tuba, French horn, saxophone, cello, viola, violin, guitar, drums, keyboards, etc.

If you have a musical instrument taking up space – in a closet or under a bed and would like to donate it, please leave it in the drop-off box under the Prayer Table in McKinnon Hall.

Donations will be collected through Friday, November 17. Please include your contact information with your instrument to receive a tax receipt. Thank you for helping to give the gift of music!

## **\*Parent Information:**

- **Eighth Grade High School Information**

**Recommendations:** For schools that require letters of recommendation and transcripts, the request forms should have been submitted to Ms. Zuck last **Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**, either in an envelope or via online recommendation links. You will be assessed a \$50 late fee per application for any forms submitted after October 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Mrs. Zuck if you have any questions.

Please mark your calendars: This **Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.**, the Associate Director of Admissions at Marymount School, Ms. Jillian Pagliocca, will be here with student representatives to speak with your daughters. Parents are welcome to attend.

**TACHS Exam:** All Saint Ignatius Loyola School eighth grade students will take the TACHS Exam on **Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Eighth grade students do not have school that day and are to go directly to their testing site in the morning. The girls will take the exam at Cathedral High School and the boys will take the exam at LaSalle Academy. Tickets will be distributed a few days before the exam.

**Xavier High School Scholarship Exam:** This year's Xavier HSPT administration for those applying for the Ignatian Scholars Program will be held on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Please apply for this special program online by **Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>**. It is important to note: students are only permitted to take the HSPT exam once. If your child has been selected to take the Regis exam, your child must take the exam at Regis. Regis will share the score with Xavier with your consent. There is also a reciprocal agreement with Loyola School. If you have any questions, contact the high schools' admissions offices directly.

**Public Schools:** Regular public school applications are to be completed and submitted to Mrs. Zuck no later than **Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**.

- **News from the Development Office**

**World's Finest Chocolate Sale:**

Thank you to all of our participants!

Our top chocolate sellers were: Madison Kelly (1<sup>st</sup> Prize Winner, 7-2), Victoria Christiansen (2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Winner, 3-2) and Ted Candella (3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Winner, 4-1). Congratulations to all!

The deadline for all chocolate money is now **past due**. **Please send in last minute payments by this Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Checks should be made payable to Saint Ignatius Loyola School. Each box of chocolates is \$60.**

**Community Raffle**

**All raffles and payments are past due.** Thank you for the strong response. Dress Down Passes will be distributed during the week of October 30<sup>th</sup>. This is the one and only event where students can earn dress down passes.

**Halloween Carnival:**

On Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, the Class of 2018 will be sponsoring the Halloween Carnival.

There are two great raffles. The raffle forms were included in last week's weekly. There will be a Grand Prize Raffle for \$1000 and a raffle for "frightfully delightful" prizes. Money raised from this event is used to underwrite the cost of the eighth grade yearbook.

Our eighth grade class appreciates all your support! We look forward to celebrating with the Class of 2018.

For those who purchased Pre-Carnival discount tickets, the tickets will be distributed in your child's homeroom the morning of the Carnival.

The schedule for the classes to attend the Halloween Carnival is as follows:

8:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. –	First Grade – Parents are encouraged to come.
9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. –	Kindergarten – Parents are encouraged to come.
9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. –	Second Grade
10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. –	Third Grade
10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. –	Fourth Grade
11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. –	Fifth Grade
12:10 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. –	Eighth Grade Lunch – Carnival Closed
12:45 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. –	Sixth Grade
1:10 p.m. – 1:55 p.m. –	Seventh Grade
2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. –	Eight Graders prepare to lead Parade
2:15 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. –	“Parade Finale” – All parents are welcome to join us outside. In the event of rain, all parents are welcome to join us in Wallace Hall.

**Important reminders:**

Costumes must be gender appropriate.

No masks covering the face.

No bloody or gory costumes.

No weapons may be carried with the children’s costumes.

If your child puts hair color in his/her hair, it must be washed out by Wednesday.

Any face paint or nail color must also be removed by Wednesday.

Fake nails that are a part of a Halloween costume must be removed by Wednesday.

No micro mini-skirts or skimpy costumes.

If your daughter’s costume has a short hemline, she must wear leggings.

If your daughter’s costume has a low neckline, she must wear a scarf or a turtleneck.

No spaghetti strapped costumes.

Please be mindful of the hemline on long costumes; we want to avoid tripping.

If we cannot determine who an individual is while he/she is dressed in costume, he/she may not be permitted to attend the Carnival and may be asked to leave the parade. This is all in the interest of keeping everyone safe.

If you are not sure if a costume is appropriate for school, then my suggestion is to have your child wear something different.

Please also remember that, if your children are coming to school via public transportation, we suggest for their safety that they change into their costumes once they arrive at school.

• **Soul Cycle Ride**

Join us for a Soul Cycle ride on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the studio on West 92<sup>nd</sup> Street.

The money raised will be donated to the investment fund that has been established for Isabella and Joseph Scarpelli. Isabella and Joseph are alumni of Saint Ignatius Loyola School. Their parents, Glenn and Patricia, died tragically this past summer.

The reservation form is included in today’s Weekly.

• **Ronald McDonald Kids Charity Fun Run**

On Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m., the **Ronald McDonald House Kids Charity Fun Run** will take place in Central Park. The run is a wonderful opportunity for children to have fun and raise money for an important cause. Children running for children!

Your participation and raising of funds help provide families fighting cancer a “home-away-from-home” in NYC. Join in the fun! The Fun Run pamphlets were distributed in class. Just follow the steps listed in the pamphlet and register online. Join the Saint Ignatius Loyola team.

You must join the Saint Ignatius Loyola team to be included as part of the school’s team totals. Then register your child for the Fun Run. This step will register your child for the run and will allow you to create your fundraising page. Ask friends and family to sponsor your child online. Registration fee is \$30. So please, do not hesitate.

Let’s have this year be our best turnout. GREAT CAUSE! GREAT FUN! GO LIONS! Should you have any questions, please contact Nancy Muldoon-Coughlin at 917-816-4618.

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