

September Newsletter III: October 18, 2024

Assumption Catholic School

Desk of Mrs. Shumny

Dear Parents,

We are halfway through October and we are all comfortable in our routines. I wanted to share a few updates and reminders regarding homework. Homework serves to reinforce learning, build responsibility, and foster independent study skills. In our school, students in pre-kindergarten and kindergarten start with ten minutes of homework each night, increasing by ten minutes per grade level, resulting in an average of 90 minutes for eighth graders. This time is designed for the average learner; if your child needs more breaks or is struggling in a subject, their homework time can be extended. Please communicate with your child's teacher if homework is taking too long or if you need strategies for support. Additionally, for grades 3-6, the 20-30 minutes of homework started in class is just a starting point, its one teacher and a whole class - she cannot work with each student independently in that short amount of time. Students should also allocate time for review and studying for tests to fully prepare for success.

With that said, I have outlined our ACS aftercare procedures to ensure we're all on the same page and working together for your children's best interest. 1.Homework in aftercare: Aftercare teachers will be signing off on students' planners once homework is completed. If the planner is not signed, it means the homework was not finished during aftercare. We aim for about 40 minutes of homework time each day. If your child finishes before they get to aftercare they will be reading during this time. 2. No Movie Until Homework is Complete: Movies or other activities will not start until the students have finished their homework. 3.Homework assistance and aftercare Limitations:aftercare is not one-on-one tutoring, as this is not feasible with the number of students. Any student refusing to do homework will have a note in their planner.

I hope this helps and all my teachers are doing "planner checks" to make sure students are utilizing it. Remind is a tool for parents to just make sure they don't miss anthony. Yet, I feel many students are relying on parents to tell them what to do hence creating more work for you! Time to work together to really foster independent and responsible learners.

God Bless, Mrs. Shumny

🌟 Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month and National Walk to School Safety at ACS! 🌟

Today, ACS hosted a vibrant celebration for Hispanic Heritage Month, filled with delicious treats, great music, and community spirit! Students and staff enjoyed a tasty cafecito, guava pastries, and bagels, all while listening to lively music by the talented Mr. Alejandro. It was a wonderful way to honor the rich culture and contributions of the Hispanic community.

We were also fortunate to have the Perth Amboy Police and Fire Department speak with our students about National Walking to school safety, emphasizing safety tips and community engagement.

A special thank you to the Batista-Mejia family for the delicious pastries, the Zambrowski family for the coffee, and Mrs. Florez, Mrs. SueroDeLeon and the FSA Board for making this event such a success! AND to our parents….thank you for spending the morning with us!

Together, we started our day in prayer! We said an extra Hail Mary for all our special visitors. It's a true blessing to come together, build community, and celebrate culture here at ACS!











Upcoming Events

Tuesday, October 21st through Friday, October 25th: Scholastic Book Fair (Monday is the browse day)

Thursday, October 24th: Texas Roadhouse Restaurant Night and FSA 7pm meeting

Friday, October 25th: Fire Prevention Presentation, Faithful Connections Grade 2

Sunday, October 27th Trunk or Treat - Sign up on google form on REMIND!

Wednesday, October 30th: grades 5-8 SAINT PROJECT DUE!

Thursday, October 31st: FSA sponsoring a Welcome Fall Pancake Breakfast for all students - FREE, Wear any fall colors :) NO COSTUMES!

Friday, November 1st: All Saints Day! Grade 5-8 dress up as your Saint to come to School

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Family and School Association Corner:

Thursday, October 24th: Texas Roadhouse Restaurant Night &

FSA 7pm meeting

💙Trunk or Treat Friday, October 27th - Google sign up sheet on REMIND!

💙Clothing drive going on NOW! Start that fall cleaning and bring all your old and ready to donate clothes, shoes, sheets and blankets! Ends November 1

💙CHRISTMAS BAZAAR NEWS💙

Have any new and never opened gifts? Maybe a candle you don't love, a wallet that's never been opened? How about all those cooking gadgets you think you just will never use? Board games? Gift Cards? SEND THEM IN!

Parent Volunteer form and letter attached - remember it’s come, first serve!

Mrs. Sills, Chairperson, is still collecting $2 or a promise to help her bake!

Thank you to the following families for signing up to bake and/or making a donation towards this table: Chobit Family, Tejada Family, Hall Family, Mavica Family, Fedchyshyn Family, Carapella Family, Metz Family, Hillers Family, Soto Family, Gonzalez Family, Calderon Family, Minier Family, Aleksidze Family, Centrone Family, Tkachuk Family. MORE FAMILIES! Thank you to Bermudez-Correa Family, Buryi Family, and Flati Family.

Classroom basket items are rolling in! Each class has a unique theme, and families are encouraged to contribute items related to that theme. For example, for Pre-K and Kindergarten, the theme is dogs. Consider donating a dog toy, a bag of treats, a gift card to PetSmart, or even a dog brush etc. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out! The class with the most participation wins a dress down day and movie afternoon!

Parish Corner:

💒 **Looking to join a parish? Look no further! Join us at Ukrainian Assumption parish any Sunday at 11:30am.**

First Holy Communion is scheduled for Sunday, May 18th and Mrs. Phyllis will be sending home letters by the beginning of December.

Are you in third through eighth grade and want to receive the sacrament of First Holy Communion for the first time? See Mrs. Shumny ASAP!