

November 1, 2011

Here are few reminders for this week.

Wednesday November 2 Individual Picture Day -Dress Up - Please send the payment with your child.

Thursday November 3 Class Picture Day- -Formal Uniform with Sweaters - No sweatshirts, no gym suits

Friday November 4 Eighth Grade TACHS Exam - Admission tickets will be sent home on Wednesday. Please check you child's schoolbag on Wednesday night. They must have this ticket to sit for the exam.

Thank you to all of our families for contributing to the class parties, serving goodies, assisting with costumes and for your cooperation on Halloween. The children looked amazing (some adults too!) and everyone enjoyed the day. Email your pictures to ([mjhartent@icschoolonline.org](mailto:mjharten@icschoolonline.org))

Lending a Helping Hand:

Here at ICS we have several ways to lend a hand to those who do not enjoy a plentiful bounty. Read on to see how you can help.

Today the children gathered in their School Family groups after Mass. They wrote cards to service personnel, the home bound and those in nursing homes.

Goodies for the Troops

Are you already noticing a change in your child's behavior due to an overload of Halloween candy? Here's a solution for you. Our contact for the soldiers will also assist us in sending goody bags to the troops. We'll start with leftover Halloween candy. If you have any please send it in with your child and we'll send the candy along with the cards. Later in the year we may send packages with more basic items for the soldiers.

One Warm Coat

Coats are being collected through November 30th. These coats will be distributed locally to children and adults in need. [\(see attached flyer\)](#)

Jesse Tree

Starting November 26th labels for gifts for the Jesse Tree will be available in the rear vestibule of the church. [\(see attached flyer\)](#)

Little Sisters of the Poor.

As done in the past we will be collecting canned goods as well as Resident care items for the Little Sisters of the Poor Nursing Home. The drive begins November 2nd and ends on November 17th. [\(see attached flyer\)](#)

The Sisters usually drive up from the Bronx to pick up the items. This year we are trying to have our students participate more personally in some of our service initiatives. This collection drive presents an opportunity for a wonderful hands-on experience. We would like to involve our students in the delivery of the items along with the cards they made during the School Families activity on All Saints Day. Please let the office know if you would be available to assist in this endeavor.

Thank you in advance for your generous participation in these activities.

Are you ready for an evening or afternoon of fun! Join us for the Cabaret on November 18th 19th and 20th.

We are beginning to prepare our students for the changes in the Liturgy with the new Roman Missal that will begin on the First Sunday of Advent, November 27th. Attached you will find a flyer to assist you at home with your children. We will use the same in our Religion classes.

Do you feel the chill in the air?

This time of the year it can be tricky to know how to dress. We are a hardy group and the children enjoy their morning line-up, gym and recess outdoors on most days.

Please be sure your children wear an outer layer each day over their uniform. They may even need hats and gloves. Remember the girls have the choice to wear the approved uniform slacks in school. Other leggings or pants may not be worn in the building. If the snowy or rainy weather calls for them boots can be worn to and from school but they must be removed during the day.

Please accept this as a reminder that students (this includes students who are attending After Care) are not permitted to return to school to retrieve forgotten

items. Classrooms are locked or they are in use by PSR and classes cannot be disturbed.

After sending out an IRIS alert regarding the Halloween Parade we detected that our new families had not been included. Mrs. Ranallo and I were able to determine what caused the problem. We'll be sending out a test message to determine if all families are now properly entered in the system.

Traffic Test

Thanks to the families who sent in their traffic test. Everybody passed! We are creating the N.U.T. cards and they should be sent home later in the week.

Ms. Harten

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