

October 29, 2020

Dear Falcon Families,

I WILL BE KISSING A PIG! I just can't thank you all enough for your generosity with our HERO FIT/DANCE FIT CHALLENGE! Your donation and sharing to earn donations has exceeded our goal (as of this letter we are at \$23,088!), and I am blown away by all the generosity. Besides thanking you, I pledge that we will be good stewards of your generosity to make our teaching and learning even better for your children. I will let you know the date of kissing the pig, and we share with you on live-stream. The top earning class will be able to watch me kiss the pig in-person!!

Today, there are many items coming home in your child's Thursday folder, so please be sure to look for all items.

One of those items is a letter from Summit County Public Health. COVID cases in Summit County and Ohio are on the rise and high, and Summit County continues to be on Level 3/Red designation. SCPH has shared that while they have seen "significant cases associated with schools in Summit County, the cases are primarily linked to outside activities and social gatherings versus spread from within school buildings." This is true here in our building, where we are still blessed to report no cases and will continue to practice all safety measures like masks and distancing with vigor. We do continue to need your help and diligence to keep our school safe and students in session as we head into cooler months and flu season. Please, continue to make wise decisions on gatherings outside of school (where risk significantly increases indoors, and in particular, without masks) and being diligent in assessing your child before school and keeping them home when they are ill. Please also continue to follow all of the other items listed in the letter that are strategies to slow the spread of COVID. These things are truly not negotiable items to follow so that we can continue with in-person learning and help curb the spread in our county and state. Our Task Force will be meeting soon to discuss all these things and to review our policies and procedures.

I wanted to be sure that everyone saw the notice that was given to families from Mrs. Gilkey in the cafeteria regarding our school lunches for this year in our Tuesday email blast: ***Mrs. Gilkey from our Cafeteria, would like to make our school families aware that as of October 1, St. Francis de Sales School will not be charging students for lunches. You will be reimbursed the money that was sent in and for the lunches your children have purchased since Oct. 1. If your child buys a lunch, a milk is included. If your child packs their own lunch but chooses to buy a milk or wants an extra milk with their lunch, they will be charged .50. Free student lunches will continue for the remainder of the school year.***

Upcoming Events and Reminders:

Pictures

All Lifetouch Pictures from picture day will be in today's Thursday Folder. Picture retake forms will also be in this week's Thursday folders. Any SL families who need to pick up pictures, should call Mrs. Lloyd in the main office to set a time. Any SL families who would like to get pictures on picture retake day should email Mrs. Goshe. Picture retake forms will also be sent home in today's folder.

Halloween

Halloween Festivities will take place tomorrow. Please see your child's teacher or team email for all the details. Here is the information regarding dress and costumes for tomorrow: ***Dress for the Day and Students are permitted to dress out of uniform this day in Halloween/Fall attire. Please remember that all items must be Catholic School appropriate and have no blood, gore, inappropriate messages.***

Students may also have Halloween/Fall related masks, but these masks can only be worn after Mass/CLOW. During Mass/CLOW students should wear their regular masks.

Students may remain in their dress down attire or put on simple costumes for their classroom celebrations. No students will be permitted to change in the restrooms, and since we have no parents available, costumes and accessories must be able to fit in a bag, your child should be able to carry it into school easily themselves, and your child should be able to put it on over their clothing easily.

If your child's costume can be worn as part of their dress down attire and then accessorized to make it a costume before the party that is also acceptable. (Example: cow girl costume, dress in jeans, flannel, and boots that day, and later put on a cowgirl hat and vest). Since students will still need to easily walk socially distant in our hallways, we are asking for no blow up costumes that students need a buddy to assist them in navigating the stairs.

Our PK students are permitted to wear their costumes to school that day. Please make sure the costumes are comfortable enough to be worn throughout their entire school day. Please just remember to keep whatever costumes simple and easy for students to put on themselves.

Fall Virtual Conferences

Don't forget that our Virtual Fall Conferences will take place on Wednesday, November 4 and Thursday, November 5. If you haven't had a chance to sign up for those here is the [link](#) to our website to find the teacher(s)/team(s) you need. Please remember there is no school for students on November 5th or 6th.

Early Release Pick-Up Procedure, Wednesday, November 4

There is no bussing for Early Release. All students will need to be picked up. Please be knowledgeable of how this pick-up will work and share with anyone who comes to pick your children up. To follow safety protocols during COVID, we have adjusted our published dismissal time to accommodate the entire student body being car riders. **Students with last names beginning with letters A-L will begin dismissal at 1:10pm.** Families picking up their student(s) at 1:10pm will not be permitted to enter our parking lot or car rider line until 1:05pm. **Students with the last names M-Z will begin dismissal at 1:30p.** Families picking up their student at 1:30p will not be permitted to enter the car rider line until 1:30p. We ask that you honor these pick-up times and share them with anyone who will pick your child

(children) up that day, for the safety of all our students. Since many of you don't typically pick your child up at school, we ask that you review the procedure on our website [here](#). The most important things to remember for pick up are that you must enter off of State St. through Diedrich lane, you need to have a sign with your last name (given to all families at the beginning of the year) visible in your windshield, and that you line up in the lanes marked #1 and #2 in our parking lot. If your child is going home with someone else that day, please send in a note stating so.

MAP Test Results

MAPS tests results came home today in your child's Thursday folder today. Teachers are glad to help you navigate the results. If you have questions, please be ready to ask those during the conference or email them in advance.

Fall Virtual Book Fair - November 2-13

The Scholastic Fall Book Fair begins next Monday! While our Fair will be exclusively online, we are working hard to keep kids reading and to raise critical funds for our school! The Fair will connect your kids to notable books and inspiring characters—helping them become lifelong readers.

Plus, enjoy these special online shopping features:

*Access to over 6,000 products

All orders ship direct to home with FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25

*All purchases support our school and earn 25% in rewards

Visit our Book Fair [homepage](#) to learn more about the cool virtual 360 shopping experience!

Check out the fall shopping flyers!

[Premium Digital Book Fair Flyer F20](#) (Elementary Book Fair)

[K8 Digital Book Fair Flyer F20](#) (Kindergarten - 8th grade Book Fair)

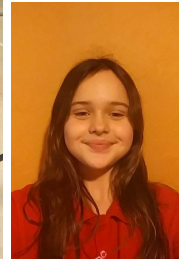
[Middle School Digital Book Fair Flyer F20](#) (Middle School Book Fair)

SCRIP

There is a SCRIP flyer in your child's Thursday folder today. Please check it out and truly consider joining SCRIP to support our school just by shopping at the places you already get your products/groceries from but using a gift card instead! It is easy to sign up and every time you buy a card you help our school. To sign up to purchase SCRIP online and with the app, email falconscrip@gmail.com.

Falcon Five Winners

Congratulations to our Falcon Five Award Winners: Killian Christman, Leia Maglio, Jeremy Sykes, Artie Carroll, Avery Dugan, Landon Prinzo, Michaela Bellak, Yuriy Shevchuk, Victoria Clark, Harrison Bennet, Dylan Dannemiller, Cooper Gutshall, and Simultaneous Learner, Macrina Frain! Thank you for being witness of how to LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, BE KIND, SERVE WELL, and WORK HARD!



Links for Mass and CLOW

Here our links for Mass and CLOW tomorrow. I hope you will join us. Mass begins at 9:10 and CLOW begins at 10:10.

[Mass](#)

[CLOW](#)

Please remember that our clocks Fall Back this Sunday, November 1 at 2am. Also, please remember that this Sunday is All Saints Day. It is so good to look at the lives of the Saints and to get to know the Saints, as they offer us great examples of how to live for and love Christ and serve others!

With hope,
Mrs. Goshe