

Weekly Update

October 26, 2018



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"Joy is prayer; joy is strength, joy is love. God loves a cheerful giver. The best way we can show our gratitude to God and the people is to accept everything with joy."
St. Teresa of Calcutta

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ **Trunk or Treat**
Oct. 29th 6pm @ CC
- ◆ **All Saints Day Mass**
Nov. 1st
- ◆ **All Saints/All Souls Activities**
Nov. 2nd @ CC
- ◆ **Food Drive Collection**
Nov. 5th - 16th
- ◆ **Veterans Day**
Nov. 8th 1:45 pm @ MC
- ◆ **Veterans Day**
Nov. 9th 1:45 pm @ CC
- ◆ **8th Grade Confirmation Retreat**
Nov. 9th

From the Principal's Desk

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. We can say after working with your children for the past few months, we feel we have an amazing group of students with a strong drive to be a friend and to watch out for each other. However, we know that there are many outside pressures and influences such as social media that create a division at times among all of us. As parents, we ask for your assistance to talk to your children about standing up for others and reporting concerns of mistreatment or exclusion in school or online.

Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time. Cyberbullying is bullying that takes place over digital devices like cell phones, computers, and tablets. Cyberbullying can occur through SMS, Text, and apps, or online in social media, forums, or gaming where people can view, participate in, or share content. Cyberbullying includes sending, posting, or sharing negative, harmful, false, or mean content about someone else. It can include sharing personal or private information about someone else causing embarrassment or humiliation. Some cyberbullying crosses the line into unlawful or criminal behavior. The McSherrystown campus will be hosting a presenter in the future to listen to the effects of cyberbullying and the consequences that can follow. Please continue to dialogue with your children and monitor their activity. Encourage them to stand up for what is right and speak up for their peers when any form of bullying is occurring. The STC faculty is here to help our students and we make it a priority to create a safe and supportive environment. Additional resources can be [found here](#).

Important Information

Veterans Day: We look forward to honoring our Veterans at both campuses. McSherrystown Campus will hold an assembly on Thurs., Nov. 8th at 1:45 p.m. in the gym. Conewago Campus will celebrate on Fri., Nov. 9th at 1:45 p.m. *Please note new time for both campuses.* Please look to your school communications or [click here](#) for more details and on ways to make us aware of your veteran & who we can honor for their service and/or attend our events. If you have any photos of your veteran, please send to Mrs. Garman at jgarman@stck8school.org.

STC students will be selling memorial flags at Annunciation BVM Church after the 4 p.m., 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. masses the weekend of Nov. 3rd and 4th. Flags will also be sold at Sacred Heart Basilica after the 5:00 p.m. mass on Nov. 3rd. All memorial flags will be placed in a display prior to our Veterans Day assemblies. All monies collected will benefit Roots for Boots, a 501(c)(3) local organization that aims to address the needs and challenges of veterans, active duty and military families. Thank you for your Support!



Fresh from the Art Easel: Fourth grade students recently completed "Fall for Jesus" tempera paintings. They learned how artists use size, placement and overlapping to create visual depth. In addition to learning about landscape perspective, students were asked to cite a bible verse to add to their paintings. Mrs. Hatez and Mrs. Brillhart collaborated with Mrs. Miner, so that each child had a bible verse. The verses were then subtly added as part of the wind to create visual movement. What is God whispering to you?

Thank you for your continued support and donations to the art program. At this time, plastic spoons and wipes would be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations Ms. Schuhart: Ms. Schuhart was selected by the Notre Dame Club of Gettysburg for an all-expense paid trip to attend the Excellence in Teaching Conference at the University of Notre Dame. We know the excellent educator we have in Ms. Schuhart and thank our Notre Dame Club of Gettysburg for recognizing her and providing her with this fruit filled opportunity!



Dress Down Day to Benefit Hurricane Relief Efforts: Student Council will be sponsoring a dress down day for Hurricane Relief Efforts on Wednesday, Oct. 31st. Students may wear the clothing of choice as long as it complies with our dress down guidelines. Please see the [school handbook](#) for information regarding dress down guidelines. This is NOT a Halloween dress down day, so no costumes please.

8th Grade Confirmation Retreat/Lunch Orders: All 8th graders (including those who will not be receiving the sacrament of confirmation this year) will be attending a retreat on Friday, November 9th. A Confirmation retreat has been planned for 8th grade on Friday, November 9th. The kitchen will go ahead and credit all orders that have already been placed on the November lunch menu for that day. If you have already made a payment for that lunch you will see a credit posted onto your child's lunch account. If you have any further questions please feel free to email Carla Harriett at kitchen coordinator@stck8school.org



All Saints/Souls Day: Conewago Campus will be celebrating All Souls Day on Friday, November 2nd. Students have the option to dress up as their Saint or dress in their school uniform. Costumes for Saints should not require any extra purchases. Materials can be utilized from home, such as sheets, towels, robes, etc. In addition to dressing as their Saint, students will prepare (in class) a ribbon with their Saint identity to wear on All Souls Day. Please, have fun and do not stress over a Saint costume!

Celebrate All Saints Day Mass with us on November 1st. Our McSherrystown Victors of Virtues for the month of October will be announced following mass at Annunciation BVM Church. Our virtue for the month is HOPE.

Attendance reminder: As you know, regular attendance at school is essential for the success of our children. Regular attendance at Saint Teresa of Calcutta School is mandated by Pennsylvania State law. Parents and Guardians are held legally responsible for the regular school attendance of their children. Unexcused habitual absences (3 or more days/school year) must be reported to the Attendance Officer of the student's public-school district of residence.

Our school attendance policy can be found on page 15-16 of the [School Handbook](#) for Students and Parents. The excused absences consist of illness, family emergencies, doctor and dentist appointments, school scheduled educational trips and authorized school activities. It is very important that a legitimate reason for the absence of your children and the exact dates missed be written on a note that is signed from a parent or guardian. Please note: A written and signed note by the parent or guardian needs to be received after a school absence. Without a written and signed note, the absence is classified as unexcused (Diocesan Policy # 5130).

Spirit Wear Dress Down Days: To promote school spirit, students will be permitted to dress down in Spirit Wear or gym attire on Activity Days. Future planned Activity Days are 11/15, 12/6, 1/10, 2/7 and 5/9. These days are subject to change. Thank you for your cooperation.

Shoe Drive: STC is conducting a shoe drive to raise additional funds for technology enhancements & additions at both campuses. STC will earn funds based on the total weight of the pairs of gently worn, used and new shoes collected. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used and new shoes at either campus. Additional locations in our community will be announced. All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of small business partners. Funds2Orgs works with micro-entrepreneurs in helping them create, maintain and grow small businesses in developing countries where economic opportunity and jobs are limited. Proceeds from the sales of the shoes collected in shoe drive fundraisers are used to feed, clothe and house their families. You get a clean closet, we get funds for our school and the less fortunate gain skills to support their families!

Advancement News

Our next Advancement/Development Committee Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. We will meet in the McSherrystown Campus conference room.

SCRIP Gift Cards: We all have to buy clothes, gas for our cars and put food on the table for dinner, so why not raise funds for tuition assistance for our students by purchasing “Crusaders SCRIP” gift cards? SCRIP is a fundraising program in which families purchase gift cards from our school. With each “Crusaders SCRIP” gift card purchase, St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School receives a percentage of the face value of the gift card. **100% of the profit from the sales of “Crusaders SCRIP” gift cards will go towards valuable scholarship dollars for our students.** The larger the profit, the more dollars available to distribute to scholarship recipients. We encourage everyone to buy as many gift cards as possible throughout the year and urge your friends and families to purchase “Crusaders SCRIP” gift cards. Cash and Carry available at our Conewago Campus during regular school hours. A copy of the most current order form can be found [here](#).



Adams County Giving Spree: The 2018 Adam’s County Day of Giving is Thursday, November 8th from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Gettysburg Area Middle School. Donors will find over 75 nonprofits, including St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic School, and a festive atmosphere at the event. The first 1,000 visitors will get a free coin worth \$10 to donate. Our school will receive an additional donation from the Adams County Community Foundation based on the total percentage of donations received on November 8th. This is a wonderful way for donors to support our school

and teach children and young adults about philanthropy! Resource books will be available in the November 1st edition of the Gettysburg Times. Can’t make it to the event and would like to donate? - Please send your checks made payable to “Adams County Community Foundation” to Mrs. Guy at the Business Office. The Foundation will process the checks for us and allocate 100% of the check amount, plus an additional percentage of your check, to STC. *Many Thanks to Mrs. Miner for taking the time to decorate our piggy bank for us! Watch for his Giving Spree debut in an upcoming edition of the Gettysburg Times.*

Athletics News

DCHS Wrestling Open Gym: All boys in grades 7th through 12th are invited to Open Gyms on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting October 16th. They will be held in the wrestling room at Delone Catholic High School. These informal sessions are a great way for anyone who is curious about the program to come out and try it, with no pressure. This provides the boys a way to try wrestling, meet the coaches, and make new friends! Please [click here](#) for informational flyer.

2nd Spirit Apparel Sale: The Athletic Association is sponsoring a 2nd spirit apparel sale featuring a cheer, basketball and crusader logo beginning today, Friday, October 26th. **The store will remain open until Sunday, November, 11th.** All orders and payment will be handled online only. NO LATE ORDERS. Once the online store is closed, orders will be processed. We are anticipating a 2-week window for processing orders. November 28th is our anticipated completion date. Orders will be sent home from school with your child. The online store can be [accessed here](#). Thank you for your support!

Fundraising News

Conewago Christmas Bazaar: Saturday, November 17, 2018. Vendor opportunities available. Information packet can be found [here](#). Please contact [Mrs. Frizzell](#) for more information.

Calendar Raffle: Raffle winners for the week beginning Oct. 19th

October 19, 2018	880	Lynn Toft	\$50.00	The Darlington Family
October 20, 2018	476	Margie Reichart	\$50.00	The Becker Family
	476	Anthony Graham	\$50.00	The Graham Family
October 21, 2018	049	Tom Backer	\$50.00	The Becker Family
	049	Rick Clingan	\$50.00	The Roth Family
October 22, 2018	170	Stephen Conklin	\$50.00	The Jennings Family
	170	John Luckenbaugh	\$50.00	The Ebert Family
October 23, 2018	584	The Perricone Family	\$50.00	The Perricone Family
	584	Scott Stansbury	\$50.00	The Hummer Family
October 24, 2018	996	Bob Kuhn	\$50.00	The Croghan Family
October 25, 2018	175	Donna Walter	\$50.00	The Ebert Family

A complete list of winners can be found [here](#).

Turkey Hill Moo Money: We will once again be participating in the Turkey Hill Moo Money fundraiser. For every 500 lids collected, our school will get \$25 to use however we want. Only Turkey Hill Dairy products sold at Turkey Hill Mini Markets and marked with a Turkey Hill Moo Money sticker apply. Please place clean, dry lids in a sandwich bag and send to the school office marked "Advancement". Thank you for your support!

Home & School News



Date: Monday, October 29, 2018

Time: 5:00 p.m. parent set-up (latest trunk arrival 5:45 p.m.); 6-7:30 p.m. student trunk or treat and games

Where: Conewago Campus cafeteria and parking lot

What: Volunteers can decorate the trunk of a car in **family-friendly** Halloween theme. Students then "trunk or treat" in the school parking lot to collect peanut-free candy in a safe, fun environment! Come into the cafeteria to purchase hot dogs and drinks and enjoy playing some free games! All STC families are encouraged to just show up and have a great time! Questions? Contact [Beth Taylor](#).

Giant A+ Rewards: Our school has the opportunity to participate in and earn cash from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through your local Giant! **Our school ID is 20532.** Please [click here](#) for instructions on how to register your Giant Bonus Card.

Box Tops 4 Education: Thanks to everyone who has turned in Box Tops already. Please continue to send them in—either on a collection sheet or loose in a ziplock bag. Any questions, please contact [Mrs. Wenger](#). All help is appreciated! For additional collection sheets, please [click here](#).

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