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Happy Thanksgiving



Dear Parents/Guardians:

A Thanksgiving Blessing

May an abundance of gratitude burst forth
As you reflect upon what you have received.

May thanksgiving overflow in your heart,
And often be proclaimed in your prayer.

May you gather around the table of your heart
The ardent faithfulness, kindness, and goodness
Of each person who is true to you.

May the harvest of your good actions
Bring forth plentiful fruit each day.

May you discover a cache of hidden wisdom
Among the people and events that have brought
You distress and sorrow.

May your basket of blessings surprise you with
Its rich diversity of gifts and its opportunities for
growth.

May all that nourishes and resources your life
Bring you daily satisfaction and renewed hope.

May you slow down your hurried pace of life so
You can be aware of, and enjoy,
What you too easily take for granted.

May you always be open, willing,
And ready to share your blessings with others.

May you never forget the generous One,
Who loves you lavishly and unconditionally.

J. Rupp

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



We thank you for supporting our annual food drive. Remember to please send in your donations by

Friday, October 10th. We thank the members of the Luke 4:18 club and the student council for coordinating this activity for us. All donations will be picked up by Parish. Please look for more detailed information that will be coming home later this week.

THANKSGIVING MASS

Please join us in our school gym on **Thursday, October 9th at 1:15 p.m.** for the celebration of our Mass with Father Daniele. Many thanks to our Intermediate division for planning this special celebration of thanksgiving.



THANKS FOR BEING ON TIME!

I would like to congratulate and thank all of our students for making a concerted effort to be at school on time. Let's continue to strive for our goal of ZERO LATES. Thank you parents for your assistance. Being punctual is a life skill that will serve your children well in the future. A reminder that all students should be in their appropriate school yard by 8:45am.



MISSION STATEMENT

It is the mission of Immaculate Conception School to reinforce God's covenant that we are loved without limit, or condition. Our students will learn under the lamp of compassion, warmth, and genuine concern for their social, emotional, intellectual, physical, psychological and spiritual growth, in a harmonious relationship among home, school and Church.

SAFE ARRIVAL REMINDERS

As part of our Safe Arrival program, we will continue to call the parents/guardians of any child who is absent from school to ensure that they are "safe" and absent with your knowledge. Thank you for calling the school when your child is absent. Our answering machine (905)851-9566 is on from 4:15pm to 9:30am for your convenience.



CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM READY TO ROLL

Our cross-country running team has been very busy preparing for their annual meet at Bruce's Mill on **Friday, October 10th**. We thank Mrs. Giuliano, Mrs D'Andrea, Mrs. LoBianco, and Mrs. VanEyk, for their work in training our young runners. Congratulations and good luck in the meet!



HALLOWEEN AND DANCE-A-THON



It has been a long standing tradition at Immaculate Conception that the children participate in a Dance-a-thon on Halloween Day. Many thanks to Mrs. Savo and her committee members: Mrs. Brady, Mrs. Giovannetti, and Mrs. Guerrera, for organizing this fun-filled activity for our students.

A separate package outlining this event has been provided to each of our students.

Reminder that students should not wear masks that cover any part of their faces as it will be difficult for them to safely walk and play. If they do, they will be asked to remove the mask. Make up might be a better alternative to wearing a mask if needed as part of their costume. Children are not permitted to bring any replicate of a weapon like swords, spears, and guns. Please remember that school is an active place and costumes may become ripped or torn.

DINNER WITH SANTA

The Catholic School Council is once again looking at sponsoring **Dinner with Santa** on **Friday, November 21st**. Please reserve the date - more information will follow.



VIP PROGRAM

We are very pleased to welcome Officer Passarelli to our school as the new Youth Education Officer. We thank Officer Moran for his many years of service and wish him well in his retirement.

CURRICULUM NIGHT

It was wonderful to see so many of you attend the curriculum night. Staff enjoyed meeting the parents of their students. Please remember to contact us if you have any questions or concerns during the school year. We would welcome the opportunity to respond to any issues that are of importance to our community.

FEAST OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



We would like to advise our community that on the evening of **Friday, December 5th**, Father Daniele, will be celebrating our Feast Day Mass in our school gym at 7:00 p.m. At this special celebration, the new commissioned statue of Our Lady will be unveiled and blessed. More information will be forthcoming. Please reserve the date. We would appreciate having our entire

community attend this special occasion.

PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES

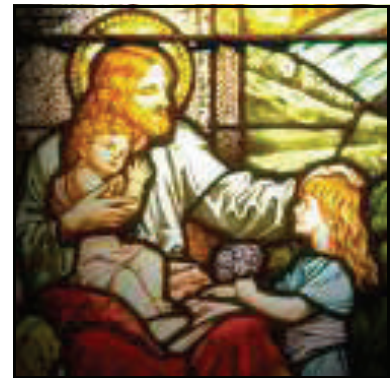
Just a reminder that all students are expected to keep all personal electronic devices out of sight and turned off during the school day. The Board assumes no responsibility for the loss, recovery, repair or replacement for any personal electronic device brought onto school property. In order to prevent loss, confiscation or damage, students are encouraged to leave these devices at home.



Paraliturgy and Mass Schedule 2008-2009

We are pleased to provide our community with the tentative schedule that was designed by staff.

1.Thanksgiving	Oct. 9 th 1:15 p.m.
2.Remembrance Day	Nov.11 th 11:00 a.m.
3.First Advent	Nov. 27 th 9:30 a.m.
4.Feast of ICN Mass	Dec. 5 th 7:00 p.m.
5.Last Advent	Dec. 19 th 2:35 p.m.
6.Paraliturgy	Jan. 15 th 2:40 p.m.
7.Ash Wed.	Feb. 25 th 11:00 a.m.
9.Holy Thurs.	Apr. 9 th 1:15 p.m.
10.Easter Mass	Apr.17 th 1:15 p.m.
11.Mary	May 20 th 9:30 a.m.
12.Graduation Mass	June 22 nd 1:30 p.m.



CHARACTER OF THE MONTH

We would like to congratulate the students from each class that exemplified the character of "**COURAGE**" for the month of September. October's character trait that is being focused on is "**COMPASSION**".

JK—Alessandra B.

SK—Christian M.

JK/SK—Joseph I., Daniel D.

Gr. 1—Ana Laura L., Nicholas V.

Gr. 2.—Bianca R., Evangelina A.

Gr. 3—Alessia F., Sarah N.

Gr. 3/4—Nicholas F., Nicholas Q.

Gr. 4/5—Christian V.

Gr. 5/6—Stefanie T., Isabella S.

Gr. 6—Catherine R., Samantha N.

Gr. 7—Frances G., Rafael F.

Gr.7/8—Serena B., Alessandro C.

Gr. 8—Victoria P., Daniel D.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish our community a blessed thanksgiving. We hope that everyone will have an opportunity to reflect and celebrate with their family all the wonderful things that we take for granted.



Mrs. G. Turco