

Greetings Parents!

Thank you to all who attended our first Family Mass, skating party, PTO Meeting. Booster Club Meeting and Activity Night Sign Up. Without your participation and commitment, we could not accomplish our goals. You are always welcome to volunteer your services for any of our activities. After reading the monthly calendar, just call Mrs. Clay to inform her of the activity you are interested in. We can always use extra hands for major projects.

The first quarter ends on October 26. Now is a good time to contact your child's teacher to discuss his/her progress since Interim Reports were sent home. The teachers are available from 7:15 a.m. until 8:00 and from 3:00 until 3:30. If these times are not good for you, call the teacher to make special arrangements. Remember, we have an open door policy. You can always sit in on your child's classes.

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- The Asthma Van provides free services and medication for asthmatic children. If you need this service, send the Asthma Survey back immediately.
- DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) is being taught to the 5th grade students by Officer Gloria Holcomb. This program is sponsored by the Chicago Police Department. Chat with your child to find out what he/she is learning in DARE class.
- We are going to have a fun filled day at the circus on Friday, October 12. We still have a few tickets left. Students should wear their St. Ethelreda tee shirts or sweat shirts with jeans. Make sure they are dressed for the weather and have a bag lunch.
- Family Mass is on the 14th of this month. Mass begins at 11:00. The seventh grade students will read at Mass and both the junior and senior choirs will sing. Choir members are asked to dress in black and white this month.
- WALK A THON '07, sponsored by the Athletic Booster Club, is planned for Thursday, October 18. Students must return the Walk A Thon permission slip in order to participate. A second copy of this sheet is being sent home today. The pledge sheet and money must be turned in on the day of the walk. The students must wear their St. Ethelreda tee shirts, sweat shirts/suits, blue jeans and any other blue and gold attire to show their school pride. **PARENTS, WE NEED YOU ON THIS DAY! PLEASE VOLUNTEER YOUR SERVICES!**
- Recruiters from the various Catholic High Schools will address the seventh and eighth graders on Friday, October 19. Copies of the scheduled times and schools will be given to the students. Parents are invited to attend.
- Officer Escalante will give a presentation to the remainder of the student body about fire safety, Stranger Danger and dialing 911.

- The Student Council members are taking orders for taffy apples. This fund raiser helps to pay for the Honors' Luncheon in May/June. The Honors' Luncheon is for students who make the Honor Roll and/or Principal's List at least three marking periods. The program, luncheon and awards are provided by the Student Council.
- NO SCHOOL OCTOBER 22! The teachers must attend a Professional Development workshop at another school. The preschool will be open and all day care will be offered.
- SCHOOL PICTURES will be taken on Wednesday, October 24. Dress your best!
- Mr. Kevin Goolsby's employer, Con-way Trucking, is sponsoring a Red Ribbon Program to the student body on the 25th. Students are taught to say no to alcohol and drugs. The program is tailored to fit each grade level. Mr. Goolsby is a graduate of St. Ethelreda and the proud father of Jovan (gr. 7) and Dominic (gr. 4).
- A special guest from the Big Shoulders Fund will spend the morning with us on the 26th. We are planning a special program and really would like to have some parents here to give insight on what this school means to you.
- Taffy Apple orders will be ready for pick up after 3:00 on the 29th.
- Market Day money and order are due on the 15th. The orders will be ready for pick up on the 22nd. This is pie bonus month. Order your holiday pies and increase our profit.
- Child Find is a service provided free of charge by the Chicago Public School System. Its purpose is to screen children in preschool and kindergarten to determine if there is a vision, hearing, speech or learning disability that should be addressed at this time. The preschool children and kindergarten students will take home a special permission slip and letter explaining the service in more detail prior to October 30.
- GO EAGLES GO! Our football team has a 4-1 record with 2 more regular games to play on the 13th. Good luck team! THANK YOU, MR. MICHAEL WIMBERLEY, father of Mariah (gr. 7) and Deja (gr. 4) for stepping up to the plate and coaching the team.
- Our CHEERLEADERS made their debut at the October 5th football game. They were looking good and cheered the boys' on to victory. Bouquets of flowers to Mrs. Brown and Ms. Watkins for volunteering your time to work with the girls!
- REMINDER: Did you turn in your child's MEDICAL, DENTAL, EMERGENCY, ENROLLMENT, PHOTO RELEASE, INTERNET USE, OR ANY OTHER FORMS THAT WERE SENT HOME?