



## Happy All Hallows' Eve!

Dear Parents,

At the awards ceremony last year, I told you all that I wanted our school to be able to provide special services in the areas of speech and occupational therapy. I also said that we're working toward strengthening our math curriculum so more of our students are placed in the advanced math class in 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Next, I said that we want to provide a more individualized reading approach to meet our students at their learning levels.

I'm proud to tell you that we are on track to do all of those things. It's taken a quarter to get everything established, and we know it will be an ongoing effort. Here's what we've done so far:

1. After the Ohio Department of Education approved our school application, we are now a Jon Peterson provider – any of our students who are on an IEP (Individual Education Plan) can apply to receive a state scholarship that will cover speech, occupational therapy, or physical therapy services.
2. Our fall MAP scores are already showing an improvement in our overall math scores. Our new Go Math curriculum is what our students will be

## Important Dates:

### November

- Wed. 11/1 – NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher conferences
- Thur. 11/2 – NO SCHOOL – Parent Teacher Conferences
- Fri. 11/3 – NO SCHOOL
- Tues. 11/7 – School Council Meeting
- Weds. 11/8 – Boys/Girls Basketball parent meeting @ 7:00 in school
- Fri. 11/10 – Veterans Mass @ 9:15
- Sat. 11/11 – Apple Pie Making Day
- Thur. 11/16 – Christmas For Kids  
- PTA Thanksgiving Lunch for students  
- Geography Bee First Round
- Fri. 11/17 – Mass @ 9:15  
- Geography Bee Final Round
- Nov. 22-24 – NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK
- Wed. 11/29 – Second Quarter Midterms
- Thur. 11/30 – Mass @ 9:15

### December

- Fri. 12/1 – 2 hr delay – Teacher In-Service
- Mon. 12/4 – PTA meeting @ 6:30
- Dec. 4-6 – Holiday Shoppe
- Wed. 12/6 – School Spelling Bee
- Fri. 12/8 – Mass @ 9:15 Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Fri. 12/15 – Mass @ 9:15
- Tues. 12/19 – Christmas Program @ 1:30 & 7:00  
- Cookie Walk open after 1:30 & 7:00 performances
- Dec. 21 – Jan. 2 – No School Christmas Break

## Forms Coming Home:

- Apple Pie Volunteer Schedule
- Boys/Girls Basketball November Practice Schedule
- Basketball Eligibility Policy
- Red Ribbon voting flyer

using in 7<sup>th</sup> grade at Wayne Trace. Our teachers have done a great job quickly implementing the new math program. As of now, we have several more students than usual who are on track to be placed into the advanced math class in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

3. In English Language Arts, our students are not being generically taught by workbooks and basal readers anymore. The teachers are using interactive grammar notebooks, leveled readers (at each student's reading level), and customizable spelling lists that challenge the students to be creative and take responsibility in their learning.

With some use of state funding, I'm VERY excited to announce that Mrs. Kay Head will be back at our school as a small group tutor in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade reading and math. Mrs. Head is a fantastic teacher that will once again be a great asset to our students and staff.

God Bless,  
Mr. Linder



Please take the mandatory **Accreditation Survey** in the reading room after your conference time(s). Thank you!

\*\* This is a mandatory survey we need to do to maintain our school charter. Mr. Linder will be in the reading room to help.

- ❖ Grade cards are posted to Progress Book. You can access the grade card on your parent access account. Your child's teacher will give you a paper copy at parent teacher conferences.



- ❖ We're inviting all Veterans to join us for Mass on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. After the Prayers of the Faithful, Father will have a Veterans' Blessing. Veterans, we thank you for your service.

- ❖ The Apple Pie worker schedule is coming home today, and the schedule is attached to the email. If you didn't get a chance to sign up and would still like to help out, please come and we'll put you to work. **Please remember that only students in sixth grade should come to help.** Thank you for your help with this amazing fundraiser!



Basketball information is coming home today with any student who has said they were interested in playing. There will be a **parent meeting** night in the school on **Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>**. Athletes will need a sports physical turned into the office before they can play. A temporary practice schedule is going home today. We are considering adding 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys this year. This would allow a 5/6 grade team and a 3/4 grade team. We are opening it up to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade girls to boost the numbers. More information about leagues and game schedule will be handed out at the parent meeting.

## Classroom Spotlight

Kindergarten has been learning about bats during these past weeks. Some of our favorite facts: echolocation, they eat 10,000 mosquitos in 1 night, and they catch bugs with their wings! We have also had a "Pumpkin Center," which has been filled with art, science, and math activities. We scooped out seeds from a pumpkin we carved and after roasting we counted (by fives!) 583 seeds.

