

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish



From the Desk of the Principal Ms. Kathleen McGinn www.qrschool.org

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Letter from Dr. Rigg

Parent(s):

**Reminder-** Early dismissal today! Preschool 10:45 a.m. and K-8 is at 11:00 a.m. The regular afternoon dismissal procedures will be used. Conferences will begin at noon. All families should have received the Zoom link for the meeting with the teacher/s.

If coming to school during the school day, please pull up to door one and call from your car. There is no need to get out of your car or walk a child to the door. Mrs. Bowman or I will come out.

Due to restrictions on gathering and people in the building, our Halloween celebration will look different this year. We will not have the Trick or Treat Trail, and we are not able to have parents/volunteers come into the classrooms for parties. Additionally, students may not bring any treat –food/non-food- to pass out. However, we will have celebrations. Teachers will send information on the class celebration.

- Students in preschool through grade 5 are permitted to wear costumes to school. If a student's costume is found to be inappropriate, the parent will be called to bring a change of clothing. Please refrain from the following:
  - o costumes that demean race, religion, nationality, handicapped condition, or gender;
  - o costumes that depict gangs and horror characters or are overly scary;
  - Weapons of any kind;
  - o Costumes should not interfere with wearing a mask.
- Students in grades 6-8 may wear Halloween themed shirts, black, orange, etc. (Appropriate clothing)

The last day to wear shorts -uniform or gym-, is Oct. 30. QR Sweat pants need to be worn on gym days, as students will continue to go outside for PE class as long as the weather permits.

Dismissal on Friday, October 30 is at 1:30 p.m. There is no Extended Care in the afternoon.

Students in grades 2 and 8 will attend Mass on Tuesday. Parents are welcome to attend the 8:15 a.m. mass; **please remember to sign up online**. The sign up is on the parish website- www.qotr.org.

On Monday, **morning prayers** will begin at 8:05 and continue daily at that time. Due to the new arrival procedure, I had moved morning prayers to 8:30. However, our arrival procedures do not impact our start time. E-learners should be logged on by 8:00 a.m. and in-person learners are to be in their classrooms by 8:00 a.m.

Our next restaurant benefit takes place on **November 2** at the Elk Grove McDonald's. It is the same program as we had in September. The second window is where you can purchase pies (cash only and make a donation). All money from the pies purchased at the second window is donated directly to the school. See the flyer for details.

If you are picking up your child/ren early, **please do so no later than 2pm**. This will help alleviate traffic problems during dismissal.

Please remind your child/ren to bring a water bottle to school every day.

### **Parish News-**

Car Mass provides the opportunity for those who are not yet able or ready to join us inside our churches to attend Mass in person and receive the Holy Eucharist. Following the success of our Unity Celebration Car Mass, we're doing it again. Join us at St. Julian for the 12:30 pm Mass on Sunday, October 25 as we celebrate Mass from our cars. Parishioners will be provided an FM channel to tune to for audio and ministers will distribute Holy Communion through car windows. There will be no need to leave your vehicle.

The traveling statue of Our Lady of Fatima arrived at St. Julian on Sunday, October 18th. The Rosary Group will lead us the Rosary each evening at 7:00 pm from October 18 until Saturday, October 23 while Our Lady is visiting. The Rosary Group will meet inside the church at St. Julian, and all guidelines regarding gathering and social distancing, including wearing face coverings and sanitizing hands, will be observed

The link to the sign-up sheet to attend weekend masses can be found on the QR website- www.qotr.org

#### Clarifications/Previous Information

If you are calling school and leaving a voice message or emailing to let us know that your child will not be attending school, please make sure to state the reason for the absence. The office will follow up with a call asking:

- Has anyone who lives in your household been ill over the last 14 days?
- Have you been in contact with anyone who became ill over the last 14 days?
- Has anyone you have been in contact with tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days?

### Parents will be asked to:

- take and record their children's temperatures every 8 hours starting at 3pm that day
- every 8 hours ask the child/ren if they in any way feel ill specifically ask or observe for:
  - Fever
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath
  - Fatique
  - Muscle soreness or body aches
  - Headache
  - Loss of taste or smell

- Sore throat
- Congestion
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

## . Out of Uniform Days

- Spirit days and Out of Uniform days are held at periodic times and for special occasions. Students are expected to dress modestly and appropriately even when out of uniform. Halter tops, spaghetti straps, and midriff style tops are not allowed. **Tank tops and inappropriate t-shirts are not acceptable for any student.** Shorts and/or skirts may not be shorter than mid-thigh. Yoga pants and pajama bottoms (QR pajama pants are allowed) are not acceptable attire. Leggings are permitted with a tunic top. Out of uniform passes are not to be used on days we attend mass.
- Shoes may be dress shoes or athletic shoes. Sandals, clogs, backless, and platform shoes are not permitted. All shoes must be fully enclosed and completely laced.
- A parent will be called if a student comes to school inappropriately dressed, and the student will be expected to change before returning to class.

Please remember if a child travels to a 'hot' state, the child will need to quarantine for 14 days upon his/her return. Currently, Wisconsin and 23 other states are on Cook County's list, which can be found below:

https://cookcountypublichealth.org/communicable-diseases/covid-19/covid-19-travel-guidance/

### E-Learners

Students are expected to be engaged in learning activities throughout the school day and comply with the following requirements during all Sessions:

- If a child is consistently missing Zoom sessions or does not participate in the Session, he/she will be marked absent for the day.
- Attendance daily through the QR website. Families are required to log in by 8:15 a.m.
- All students must be dressed appropriately for school during the Session. Refer to handbooks for out of uniform days. I encourage you to have your child wear a school shirt.
- Students need to be seated at a desk/table/appropriate work area during a Session. (Not in or on a bed.)
- All books and materials must be at the designated learning area and readily available during a Session.
- No eating or drinking while in a Session.
- Prior to joining a Session, ensure that your student is in a private location and that his or her device is not visible to the public.
- Log in with first name and last initial for the Session.
- Keep video on during the Session.
- A virtual background may be used, but it must be appropriate and not switched during the lesson.
- Please minimize all background noise and activity during the Session. We want these Sessions to maximize student learning.

Any misconduct during the Session will be subject to discipline according to the Queen of the Rosary Student Code of Conduct and Discipline Policy.

Friday is the pick-up/drop off day. (9-11 a.m. and 12-2 p.m.) Please avoid coming to school during the lunch period.

# Looking Ahead.....

10/22 Early Dismissal-11:00 a.m.
Parent Teacher Conferences (Virtual)
10/23 Student Non-Attendance
10/27 Mass Grades 2 & 8
10/30 Halloween
1:30 p.m. Dismissal
No Extended Care
Parent Club Event
11/02 McDonald's Benefit
11/03 Mass Grades 3, 4, 6
11/06 Cougar Spirit Day
Trimester 1 Ends
11/10 Mass grades 5, 7
11/13 Report Cards Home
11/17 Mass Grades 2, 8
11/19 Elk Grove Food Drive
Benefit EG Panera
11/24 1:30 Dismissal
11/25 Thanksgiving Break (11/25-29)
11/29 First Sunday of Advent
11/30 School Resumes
4H Advent Prayer Service
12/01 Mass Grades 5, 7
12/04 Cougar Spirit Day
12/06 Grand Raffle Drawing
12/08 Holy Day- Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Gr 2 & 8 Mass
12/17 Christmas (Virtual) Program?
12/18 1:30 Dismissal

12/19 Winter Break Begins (12/19 -1/3)

Thank you for choosing Queen of the Rosary School and for your commitment to Catholic education.

Regards,

K. McGinn

Twitter- @cougars

01/04 School Resumes



As a member of our community, I will ...

- 1. Wear a mask
- 2. Keep my distance
- 3. Wash and sanitize my hands
- 4. Stay home if I am sick
- 5. Get tested if I exhibit symptoms
- ... because protecting others in our community is my responsibility, too.