



ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL NEWS *Oct. 12, 2016*

IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDERS

➤ Maintaining a secure school is essential to the safety of all the children in our school but we need everyone's cooperation. Any parent wishing to see a teacher or visit the office must use the front door and check in. Please do not request access to the school from the community center or cafeteria as you drop off your child or pick them up (including ASP).

➤ Please help make morning drop off of students move quickly and safely by adhering to the following procedures: As cars make the U-turn in the playground and advance forward to a stop in front of doors, 3-4 cars **should be able to safely drop off students at the same time**, thus moving traffic more quickly. Of course we ask you to please wait for children in front of you to disembark and are safely inside before the next 3-4 cars advance. Do not pass around a vehicle that is stopped. Stay in the line of traffic until you leave the school grounds.

➤ **Parents of our youngest students, please note:** In order to make this system work efficiently, all students should be ready to disembark when the vehicle stops. If you need to get out of your vehicle to help with seatbelts, backpacks, etc , please park in the church parking lot and escort your child to the door.

➤ **Morning drop-off ends at 7:30.** The teacher on duty has a class of children waiting and is instructed to lock the door 7:30. If you come at that time, please do not be offended if the teacher leaves her post. At that point, please circle around to the Belmont Street entrance.

➤ Finally, **no students** should be dropped off at the Belmont Street door before 7:30! This is extremely important. The office is often staffed with only 1 person before 7:30. We cannot guarantee that someone is always available to answer the door and we do not want to have any child left stranded outside.

Important Dates:

Tues. Oct. 18th
Bake Sale
Sponsored by Grade 5
All items 50¢
Dress Down Day - Gr. 5

Tues. Oct. 25th
6:30 Cafeteria
Drama Club
Auditions
Gr. 2-6 Students & Parents

Grandparents' Day
Wed. Oct. 26th
8:00 Mass
followed by class presentations & refreshments in gym



Notices & Reminders

New Flags The newest additions to our hall of flags are up. We have proudly added the flags of Zimbabwe and the Azores!



Cash Raffle This year's Cash Raffle will take place on Dec. 9th along with our annual Children's Penny Sale and Christmas Concert. Look for your prepaid tickets in next week's Wednesday envelope.

Grandparents' Day refreshments form due by Thursday, October 20th

Basketball practices start next week. More information enclosed.



Monday, Nov. 7 & Wed. Nov. 9th ~ Report Card Conferences
by appointment. Sign-up forms will go home next week.

Friday, December 9th Christmas Concert & Festival
Penny Sale, Cash Raffle, Cookie Walk, Photo Booth

Earn a Dress Down Day!

We are almost there! Let's get our Box Top mascot filled (we will have a name for him/her next week!)

Box Tops are one of our easiest incentive programs. We receive 10 cents for each box top, and the company just sends us a check! Programs like these help to avoid costly increases in tuition. Please help us by cutting all box tops along the dotted line and placing them in zip lock bag with your child's name and grade.



Halloween Celebration & Parade

The annual Halloween Parade will be held on Monday Oct. 31st. The children will be allowed to wear costumes to school but please follow these guidelines:

- **Come to school dressed in costume (over dress-down clothing)** – there will not be time to get ready at school. Younger children must be able to easily remove and pack their own items. Please provide a bag.
- **Refrain from makeup.** Any makeup worn must be easily removed by the student after the parade. Don't bring makeup or hair products to school.
- **Costumes should be age appropriate and "family friendly"** (not representative of anything violent or suggestive)
- **No masks, or weapons** (or props that can be used as a weapon)



The parade will begin at 8:00 AM in the school playground and proceed around to the main entrance. We hope to see many of our parents in attendance. Parents who attend are asked to park in the church parking lot. After the parade, the children will remove their costumes, etc. and the school day will proceed in dress-down clothing. Each teacher will designate their own time during the day to enjoy Halloween party treats.

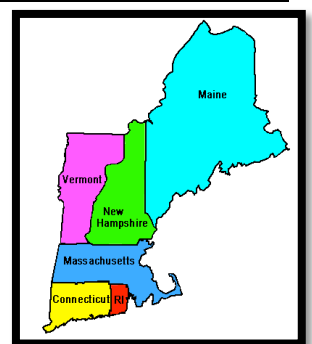
Please only send in treats if requested by the teacher.



Peeking into....Grade 4

The fourth graders are settling into their routine and I am proud of them. They are using time management to complete homework and prepare for tests. They enjoy the fact fluency song of the day as well as a new daily math activity. We have just started chapter three in math with the multiplication properties. They have performed their first science experiment and were amazed to see the actual tubes in a

vascular plant. They have become scientist in their own right! We have completed our unit on Native Americans of New Hampshire and are now studying the states that make up New England and their capitals. The students will begin simple predicates this week and will soon begin diagraming sentences as we progress in grammar. Fr. Richard asked all the students to make their own cross to hang in a special place at home. They have been bringing these in, and are as beautiful and unique as every child. I want to thank the parents for taking the time to help the children create their cross. Father Richard will be so pleased! I am blessed to work with your child each day!



Mrs. Palanski