

Blessed Sacrament School Newsletter

Tradition from Beginning to End

November 2023

ROCK-A-THON ROCKED OUT

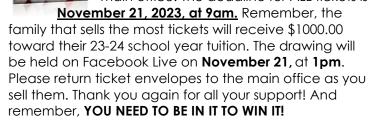
We would like to thank all the students and their families who participated in this year's fundraiser. We certainly **ROCKED IT** at our **ROCKSTAR** themed Rock-A-Thon. We raised over \$12,000.00 this year!! Our BSS families are truly **AMAZING!** The Rock-A-Thon Award Assembly was held on Thursday, October 19, 2023, Tag Day passes, T-shirts for \$100+ Club members, and our grand prize was awarded. We are so happy to have such support from families old and new. Thank you to everyone for a job well done and for your tremendous school spirit and support. As a reminder: all tag day passes must be used during the 2023-2024 school year.

MONTHLY SERVICE PROJECT

For the month of November, we will be asking our students to get out there and help with those chores to earn money to buy ingredients for baking pumpkin pies for the Rescue Mission. Mrs. Coppola began this tradition 24 years ago. Blessed Sacrament School is one of the Rescue Mission's largest contributors of pumpkin pies to their Thanksgiving feast. Our goal is to teach our students the value of hard work, community, and giving during a time of year when it is needed the most. For more information and to sign up to volunteer please refer to the "All about Pies" email. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS CASH

Thank you to everyone who has purchased and/or sold tickets so far. There is still time! If you need more tickets, please contact the main office. The deadline for ALL tickets is



REPORT CARDS



Report cards will be emailed to all parents in grades K through 6 on **Tuesday**, **November 14**. Parent Conferences will take place on **Friday**, **November 17**. Teachers will be contacting parents for appointment times. All students in

Tiny Eagles through 6th grade will not have school. A reminder on the report card will indicate each parent's scheduled conference time. Parents may initiate a conference at any time during the school year by emailing their child's teacher to set up an appointment that is mutually convenient.

ANNUAL APPEAL DRIVE

All parishioners, alumni, and parents will receive a letter asking for contributions to the Capital Improvement and/or Blessed Sacrament Eagles Fund. In the past, we have received a very generous response to our appeals. We are extremely grateful to our benefactors. The Blessed Sacrament Eagles Fund provides scholarships and enrollment incentives for students. The Capital Improvement Fund enables us to continue to make necessary improvements to our physical plant. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

All students are asked to please bring in canned goods or non-perishable food items for our parish pantry during the month of November. Each class will present their gifts at our Thanksgiving Liturgy, planned by Mrs. Netto's



3rd-grade class, on November 21, at 9:00 a.m. All parents and families are invited and encouraged to join us at the children's Eucharistic Celebrations, which are planned each month throughout the school year.

PTA EVENTS

- Wednesday, November 1: Krispy Kreme sale begins.
- **Wednesday, November 15**: Krispy Kreme orders due.
- Wednesday, November 15: PTA Meeting 7pm.
 Childcare is available.
- **Thursday, November 16**: Poinsettia sale begins.
- **Saturday, November 18:** 1st Annual Turkey Trot at 3pm/Krispy Kreme donut pick-up.
- **Thursday, November 30**: Poinsettia orders due.
- Sunday, December 3: Breakfast with Santa & Scholastic Book Fair 8-11:30am/Poinsette pick-



Thankful for you!

TUITION OFFICE: DO YOU KNOW?

FACTS customer Service number is 1-866-441-4637. You will have two options to choose from:

#1 - Tuition payment agreements and how it works.

#2 – <u>Tuition Assistance</u> (Financial Aid)
Either option will connect you to a FACTS
representative. They can help you if you are having
problems changing or adding information to your
account. In the tuition office, Mr. Giocondo can add
a bank account for you. He cannot edit any banking
information already within your plan. He also cannot
add or edit any credit card information,
you **must** call FACTS.

FINANCIAL AID

FACTS financial **aid** for the 2024-2025 school year **opened on October 16**, **2023.** All applications for aid must be completed by **February 1, 2024.** You can access the FACTS Grant & Aid application through your Family Portal. Please go to the financial tab, then located on the top, right under "Financial Links" you will need to click on <u>Apply for Grant & Aid</u>. Mr. John Giocondo, our tuition manager, is available Monday – Friday from 10am – 2pm to assist with any questions you have. He can be reached at 315-437-3394 or emailed at **igiocondo@syrdio.org.**



EAGLE EXTRAS

- After October 31, the fall/spring seasonal uniform of navy blue shorts may NO longer be worn until April 1. Please refer to the <u>uniform</u> <u>policy</u> for a complete description of the dress code.
- Drama Club sign-ups are due on Wednesday, November 1st.
- School picture re-take day is **Wednesday**, **November 8**, at 8:15 a.m.
 - School will be closed on Tuesday, November 7, due to Election Day and a scheduled Teacher In-Service.
- School will be closed on **Friday**, **November 10**, for Veterans' Day.
- School will be closed on Friday, November 17, for Parent Teacher Conferences.
- School will be closed on Wednesday, November 22 – Friday, November 24 for Thanksgiving Break.



Thankful for you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Advent Prayers begin on **Monday**, **December 4**th.
- (3) Karate Begins on Thursday, December 7th.
- Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception is on **Friday**, **December 8**th.
- © Christmas Concert grades 2-6
 Wednesday, December 20th at 7pm.
- Cir Christmas Concert Tiny Eagles 1st grade Friday, December 22nd at 9am. Dismissal is at 10:30am.
- Christmas Break is Monday, December 25th January 1st, 2024.

KIDS CORNER

CAN YOU "Disguise a Turkey"?

Turkeys were sent home to be saved from the Thanksgiving dinner table. Using items found around the house, dress your turkey up so he (or she) won't be found. Let's see how creative you can be! All turkeys should be returned to MRS.

BROWN in the art room by November 15th, for a "special treat". As a BONUS... If you turn your turkey in WITH the written portion you will receive a TAG DAY pass.

