THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2023

St. Thomas & St. Timothy School



PEEK AT THE WEEK

Colleen DiSanto

Dear God, Please help everyone struggling to find peace. May those affected by violence or war be led towards a peaceful resolution. May those struggling with their emotions, thoughts, or words find the support they need to achieve inner peace. Assist those who are trying to create peace and restore connections between their families. May all leaders working towards a safer world for everyone make connections to promote peace. Shed light on the pathway to peace, whether it is among nations or between friends.

Prayer by 8th Grade Student

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Fall fun, new opportunities, and thank yous to our community for their continued generosity!

Upcoming Calendar Events

To view our school calendar and upcoming events, please <u>click here</u>.

11/3 - Bake sale at both campuses.

11/7 - Early Dismissal, Teacher PD.

11/8 - HSA meeting, STA @ 8:30am.

11/13 - NWC Shadow Day for 8th Grade

11/14 - Open House, St. Timothy Campus from 9:00-11:00

All Saints Day Mass

Thank you to all of our students who served during mass either as musicians or readers, and to all the families who joined us. It is always a joy to have our community come together. Thank you to Mrs. McHale, who was able to record the recessional hymn as our students sang together. <u>Click here to listen.</u>



Thank you to our entire school community for coming together to celebrate All Saints Day. We look forward to gathering together more this year.

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Housekeeping

Early Dismissal 11/7: As a reminder, Tuesday, November 7th will be a noon dismissal for STA and 11:45 STM. There will be no aftercare at either campus this day.

Fall Open House, St. Timothy Middle School: We are two weeks away from our second Fall Open House of the season at St. Timothy! If you know a family looking to make a change for their child this year, please share our name with them and <u>share the link to register</u>. Parents looking to volunteer at St. Timothy please <u>contact Mrs. Smith</u>.

After School Playground Behavior: Thank you for supporting our message about after school behavior. We appreciate your vigilance and ask that everyone continue to remember our school policies after school. Be safe. Be respectful. Have fun.

Construction on St. Thomas Campus: Families continue to be mindful of the construction taking place near the playground. Be aware of that area and restrict your after school activities. Thank you for your cooperation and patience. We are almost done!

NWC News and Reminders

NWC Placement Test: Reminder to all 8th grade parents to register for the upcoming Northwest Catholic High School placement test coming up November 4th. <u>Click here for more information.</u>

NWC Flag Football: In support of the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic Conference (CIAC), which will be introducing girls flag football as a high school club sport for the spring of 2024, Northwest Catholic is inviting our girls grades 6-8 to play in an 'exhibition game' of flag football on Saturday 11/18. Our girls were ready for action at the Harvest Fest! There will be a few practice sessions available after school between now and the exhibition game and more information to come soon. Please <u>click</u> <u>here</u> if you are interested.



Harvest Fest was a success with perfect, warm weather and smiles from all our students! A great tradition to kick off the fall with our middle school students.

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Cold Weather is Here!

We are excited for the winter season which is fast approaching! It is time for a winter fashion show to make sure that our children have hats, coats, and mitten for those chilly days. We will be going out for recess as often as possible and we want everyone protected from the chilly winds.

Home and School Association

Wreath Sale: The annual HSA wreath sale is here! <u>Click here</u> to place your order.

Community

Socktober: 1,134 socks were collected from both campuses. In addition to this, the Home and School Association generously donated the proceeds \$440 from the Harvest Fest to Fundraiser. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!

Student Ambassador Application: Students in grade 5-8 are eligible to apply for the student ambassador program. The selection process will be based on academic standing, consistent positive behavior, and a demonstrated commitment to our school's values, mission, and community. The student ambassador program is an exciting opportunity to involve our students in actively recruiting and promoting our school. This program offers personal development opportunities for students, an improved prospective student and family experience, and a strengthening of our school's sense of community and partnership. <u>Click here for the application</u>. Additional applications will be available on both campuses, with the 5th grade teachers at St. Thomas and in the Main Office at St. Timothy.

Pre-K and Kindergarten Intent: We have had a very exciting start to this enrollment season with much interest in our Pre-K and Kindergarten programs! To ensure that all of our present St. Thomas families have a secured place for their child for the NEW school year, we will be requesting that parents of our Pre-K and Kindergarten students complete the annual letter of intent earlier this year. This will be available in next week's email.

Middle School Cross Country

West Hartford Middle School Races: Middle School cross country participants will be competing on 11/4 for the State Championship race at Wickham Park. The Middle School State Championship is a fantastic race which includes all of the middle schools in the State of Connecticut. There are generally around 2,000 participants in this race overall. Go Tigers!!



We had so many wonderfully decorated cars at Trunk or Treat! Shout out to our incredible teachers who represented our school and to HSA who made it a memorable night for all!