



# LION'S DEN WEEKLY

OCTOBER 10, 2018



October is the month set aside to honor Our Lady of the Rosary. From the earliest beginnings, the Church has held Mary, the mother of Jesus in great esteem. Catholics show their devotion to Mary by inviting her to pray with and for them. One way of doing this is by using the rosary and thinking about the events in her life and the life of her son. Praying the rosary and repeating the prayers often brings a sense of quiet and peace.

**Mrs. Diana Thompson, Principal**

## **Scholastic Book Fair**

The BOOK FAIR is coming!! Opening Sunday, Oct. 21 and running through Parent/Teacher Conferences. Look for the letter in today's Communication Folder for details. Also, anyone who has his or her clearances and would like to volunteer some time to help is welcome!

## **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Registration for Fall Conferences has begun! Please log into Option C to choose a date and time. Once logged in, a red rectangle will appear with the word Conferences inside, click that rectangle. It will bring you to the next screen, which will give you all available times for your child/children in a dropdown menu. Next to each of your children, select the date and time that works for you. Once you choose a date and time, it will save it automatically.

Children in grades 5 – 8 attend conferences with their parents.

Conferencing is an important way for parents and teachers to share information and work together to best ensure success in school.

## **Science Explorers**

Science Explorers is offering three sessions this school year. The first one, entitled Slime Time, begins October 22. If you are interested in registering your child, please do so on or before October 15. In the past, clubs were cancelled only to find out parents were still interested. It is important to register by the due date so supplies may be shipped to school. You may register at [ScienceExplorers.com](http://ScienceExplorers.com)

## **Peanut Butter and Jelly Drive**

Our annual PB&J Drive to help local food banks is taking place now through Wednesday, October 24. Please donate a jar of peanut butter or jelly to this worthy cause.

## **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Emerson Mastroddi who was a winner in this year's Upper Darby Township Fire Department Poster Contest.

### **Alternative Furniture**

If your children are coming home saying there is some new furniture in their classrooms, they are correct. This year, Saint Eugene School received the Archdiocesan Grant for Education to use towards the purchase of alternative furniture. As you walk the hall, you will see floor rockers, kick bands on desks, beanbag chairs, and an active standing mat all to help our students focus better on schoolwork. Classrooms having alternative seating have found students to be less restless and class participation has increased.

### **Peer Mediators**

Under the direction of Mrs. Janasik, our new Peer Mediators will be trained on Friday, October 12. Peer mediation is a process where two or more students involved in a dispute meet in a private, safe and confidential setting to work out problems with assistance of a trained student mediators. Students work together towards a solution that is a win/win for all.

### **Student Council News**

In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Student Council will be selling wristbands for \$1.00. The proceeds will be donated to breast cancer research.

On Friday, October 19, Student Council will hold a Saint Eugene Spirit Wear or Wear Blue and White dress down day for \$1.00.

### **REMINDERS:**

#### **October Service Project**

Help the first and fifth grade classes honor Saint Rita of Cascia and Saint Jude Thaddeus, the patron saints of impossible causes, by collecting aluminum tabs for the Ronald McDonald House of Philadelphia. The Ronald McDonald House of Philadelphia provides support and resources for families with seriously ill children. The proceeds from recycling aluminum tabs helps to provide a place for families to call home, so they can stay close to their hospitalized child at little to no cost.

Save your aluminum tabs and send them into school by October 31<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Facts Aid**

The application for family aid is now open. Applicants may apply on line using the link on our website [www.sainteugeneschool.org](http://www.sainteugeneschool.org). Priority application deadline is December 31, 2018. Supporting documents are due March 15, 2019.

#### **Fall Fundraiser**

All candy money is due now. Each box of candy cost \$60.00. Thank you so much for your support of this fundraiser. The winning families will be announced as soon as all the money is returned to school.

### **Dance-a-thon**

This year, a Dance-a-thon will replace last year's Walk-a-thon. Please remember to send in your five addressed unsealed envelopes. Monies raised will be used for various school needs, such as toners, ink cartridges, domain renewal and other instructional tools such as KAMI.

### **Field Trips**

Classes will soon begin field trips. For consideration as a chaperone, you must have current Criminal Record and Child Abuse Clearances. Please send an e-mail to Mrs. McBlain for information.

### **Winter Uniforms**

Children are to wear winter uniforms beginning Monday, November 3. Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for dress code details. If the weather turns cooler before Nov. 3, winter uniforms may be worn earlier. It is important that your children are dressed for the weather.

### **Home and School News**

Mark your calendars for these upcoming dates:

Oct. 27	Trunk or Treat	run by St. Eugene Parish Social Committee
Nov. 3	Craft Fair	
Dec. 12-13	Santa Shop	
Dec. 15	Breakfast with Santa	
Linvilla Pies	Date to be Announced	

### **Box Tops**

Keep clipping those Box Tops. Monies raised are used for gym equipment.

### **Praying for Our Families and Friends**

Each day the Saint Eugene School Community keeps our families and friends in prayer

Thursday	Oct. 11	Cooke Family
Friday	Oct. 12	Coppock Family
Monday	Oct. 15	Cugini Family
Tuesday	Oct. 16	Cusson Family
Wednesday	Oct. 17	Davidson Family

### **In Today's Communication Envelope**

- Science Explorers
- Home and School Flyer
- Book Fair Information

## Upcoming Dates

Oct. 15	School Confessions Grs. 3 -8
Oct. 16	Hot Lunch Menu Opens
Oct. 17	SES Pizza Day
Oct. 19	Progress Reports
Oct. 21-26	Book Fair
Oct. 23	Prevent Program 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Oct. 24	Dance-a-thon
Oct.25	11:30am Dismissal November Pretzel Money Due \$9:00 Parent/Teacher Conferences 12:00noon-6:00pm
Oct. 26	No School for Students Parent/Teacher Conferences 7:30am- 12:00noon
Oct. 29	Living Rosary 11:00am
Oct.31	Halloween Parade 8:00am SES Pizza Lunch
Nov. 1	No School. All Saints Day
Nov.2	No School Teacher Professional Development Day

