



The Rising Star Newsletter

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Oct.24 Harvest Fest begins at 6:00pm
- Oct. 24 & Oct 25 Grade 3 Ohio State ELA test
- Oct 26 NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 27 NO SCHOOL Staff Development
- Nov. 1 Complete Kindergarten Diagnostics
- Nov. 6 –15 Third Grade Reading Assessment on Renaissance
- Nov. 16 Family Engagement
- Nov.20-24 Thanksgiving Break NO SCHOOL

Yeah Instead of Boo for Harvest Fest 2017!

Last year Harvest Fest 2016 was filled with laughter, food, families, and games. This year one expectation will be the Quarter I awards ceremony presented to the students. According to Principal Mrs. Pitts, "Students will be honored for attendance, uniform compliance, academic excellence, and Christ-like behavior. After the ceremony, we are going to have a **"Trunk or Treat"** party. It will be

simple and an alternative to a full out harvest party. "

Hope to see you on Tuesday, evening at 6:00 pm on October 24 for this fun-filled family gathering.



2016 Harvest Fest
Family Fun



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Quarter I Report cards will be distributed to parents/guardians of student on Thursday, October 26 at Parent-Teacher Conferences. Please make an appointment to discuss your child's progress with the Homeroom teachers. Time of conference appointments are from 7:30 am—6:00 pm. In addition you need to be aware of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati's report card format. Academic grade scales

range from 4-1. There is no school on Thursday or on Friday; Friday is a Professional Development Day for teachers/staff..

Academic Grade Scale

4 = Consistently Demonstrates Proficiency

3=Frequently Demonstrates Proficiency

2=Progressing Toward Proficiency

1=demonstrates Limited Progress Toward Proficiency

N/A=Not Assessed this Quarter

* [asterisk before a number] indicates Modified Standards



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Religion Ramblings

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We have now been in school for nearly an entire quarter and have accomplished some good things.

While our **Kindergarten** students have learned about God's creation and everything He created being good, our **First Grade students** have also learned that even as children, we have a responsibility to help take care of this gift we call God's Creation.

Second Grade have been learning about how family is important in God's plan, especially finding His family in the Church. Sacraments will be explored as special gifts from God that are visible signs of God's love for us.

Grade Three has been learning about how the Holy Trinity is the way that God reveals relationships and develops friendship with us to help us understand the importance of developing friendship with other believers through the community of the Church to which we belong. **Grade Four** has been getting more in depth on learning the liturgical calendar, the Ten Commandments and the New Commandments from Jesus. The emphasis on living the Beatitude lifestyle has also been a topic of focus.

Our Fifth Grade are trying to understand the correlation between the Old Testament, the Prophets and the New Testament, and how Jesus as Messiah is the fulfillment of these prophecies. An emphasis on many new religion vocabulary and the role the Church has in each of our faith journeys have also been points of emphasis.

Finally, October has brought a deeper understanding to the role Mary has in the Church. As she reminds all disciples, "Do whatever He tells you," we have spent time learning and understanding the 20 mysteries of the Rosary. Along with this, we have also learned a new prayer asking for Mary's intercession while reciting the **Memorare**.

We are excited about how God continues to bless this school and parish community and are grateful for your kindness. Please know that as we continue to learn about the richness of the Rosary, that St. Benedict the Moor parish community will always be a petition that we will include with each Rosary.

May God Kindly Bless You!

~ The Religion Classes of St. Benedict the Moor Catholic School