



Wolverine Notes

Weekly Newsletter

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"Remember how God sees you and seek to let that define who you are."

~Marvin Williams

The Week in Review:

- Our students returned from conferences and fall break refreshed and ready to learn! There was much activity through the week as students worked on
 - building soundproof barriers (3rd grade)
 - simple addition and subtraction to 12 and 40 (K and 1st grade)
 - recognizing inferences in Ray Bradbury's science fiction writing (6th grade)
 - archery in PE (4-8th grade)
 - graphing linear equations (8th grade)
 - learning about Our Lady of Fatima (7th grade)
 - writing friendly letters (4th grade)
 - a biography of Satchel Paige (5th grade)
 - fire safety (preschool)
- Our students and staff were so excited to use the **new water fountains** courtesy of the **PTO and Athletics Committees!** Students can now easily fill their water bottles with fresh, cold water throughout the day. Thank you for your generosity in supporting these groups for the benefit of our children!
- The **3rd Grade Prayer Partners** and the children enjoyed their time with each other this week. Thanks to **Ms. Wettig** and **Mrs. Willenbrink** for coordinating and continuing this program that links the parishioners with the school children in the development of their faith.
- Several parents participated in the first of our **Positive Discipline Parenting Workshop** sessions last Wednesday. All parents/grandparents/friends are invited to attend the upcoming sessions on **Wednesdays, October 18—November 15th from 6:30-8:30 in the Heritage Room.** Attend one or all in this time to share experiences and learn strategies to empower your children in their growth and responsibility for their behavior.
- The **Kindergarten students** have learned all the letters of the alphabet and showed off their knowledge with the assist of **1st and 8th grade students and some staff members** in an Alphabet Fashion Friday morning. Their spectacular debut on the red carpet can be enjoyed in this video at <https://youtu.be/jf7AS4Z4t2M>.
- SLS parent and veteran **Mr. Kevin Jankoski** and his service dog **Blitz** returned to school Friday to meet with the **Preschool-5th grade students.** Check out the [SLS Facebook page](#) to see a video of Blitz saying "I love you" and pics with the children as well as other great photos and news of the students and alumni!
- St. Leonard Community School successfully completed the AdvancED Accreditation Review process recently. We received our official report this week and will highlight the findings in the "Did you know??" section of the next several newsletters. **Please share this information with family, friends, and other prospective school families to let them know why Small is Big for your and their children.**



Did you know??... As noted in our accreditation report, *"St. Leonard teachers provide all students with a very supportive, highly structured, and caring school culture. Students are challenged to reach their full potential. Small class sizes allow for teachers to know their students well and have numerous opportunities for one-on-one interactions with them on a daily basis."*

SUPPORTING LIFELONG SCHOLARS

- As you know St. Leonard Community School, along with the other schools in the Archdiocese of Louisville, is engaged in an ongoing continuous improvement process. As part of this process, the Archdiocese and St. Leonard are using the **Catholic Identity: Defining Characteristics Survey** to elicit opinions from all stakeholder groups about the Catholic identity of our school and archdiocese to identify areas of strength and target areas of improvement. The survey will not take much of your time, but it will provide us with valuable feedback to help in our continual improvement process. The survey is anonymous, so you can feel comfortable giving the most accurate ratings possible. **Soon you will receive a link to access the survey. The timeframe for completion will be from October 18 through October 31. Because the survey will be online, you are able to take it whenever is most convenient for you.** We are striving for 100% participation by our school families. **Ice cream passes will be awarded to the children of families who complete the survey.** Students in grades 5-8 and staff will be surveyed at school as well. Please watch your email this week for more details about the survey administration!

- Best wishes to our PreK 4's teacher, **Ms. Nicole Traud**, who will be married this weekend! Please keep Miss Nicole and her new husband **Billy** in your prayers for special blessings.
- **Choir practice for students in grades 3-8 will begin Tuesday afternoon, October 17th from 3:10-4:00.** Mrs. Radeker sent home Choir letters/permission forms. If your child would like to participate, please complete and return the form given to him/her or complete and return the form attached to this newsletter email. Thanks!
- Please come out to support our Girls Volleyball teams as they head to **tournament at St. Leonard on Tuesday, October 17th**. The **5-6th grade girls play at 6:00 pm, and the 7-8th grade girls play at 7:00.** Go Wolverines!
- Calling all **students in Grades 5 and above**—Now is the time to register to be an **altar server** for Sunday and school masses. Parents are also invited to join their children as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or jbarry@stleonardlouisville.org or **Hank Evans at 897-2595** or hevans@stleonardlouisville.org. See the flyer attached to the email for this newsletter.
- SLS families are invited to the **SFR Chili Supper on Wednesday, October 18th from 4:30-7:00 pm** to benefit the United Crescent Hill Ministries. Enjoy a great meal while supporting a good cause!
- The Parish Life Committee invites all SLS families to attend the **Volunteer Appreciation Brunch following 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, October 22nd in the cafeteria.** This is the time when the parish celebrates all the wonderful people who share their time and talents with our St. Leonard Community. Please join us!
- We will be hosting **Touring Tuesdays** beginning **Tuesday, October 24th through November 28th from 9:00-11:00 am** for prospective families to tour the school and see why Small is BIG! Please encourage your family members, friends, and co-workers to stop in for a tour and information about the school and preschool. For further information, **contact Laura Emly at lemly@stleonardlouisville.org or 897-5265.**
- Join us for our Annual **PTO Trunk or Treat and 8th Grade Haunted House, Saturday, October 28th**. Kids come dressed in costume, while parents decorate their cars and bring plenty of treats for the kids! Prizes will be awarded for best costume and best decorated car. Monetary donations will be accepted per family. Cars must be in the parking lot by 6:15 and Trick or Treat begins at 6:30. Come for 4:30 pm mass and stay for the festivities!
- **Tickets are now on sale for the PTO "Tickled Pink" Taste of St. Leonard on Saturday, November 4th at 6:00 pm in the Family Life Center to benefit St. Leonard School!** Cost is **\$25**, and dress is **Think Pink!** Prizes will be awarded for the most creative ideas to show off your pink. Food will be provided from local restaurants; Tickled Pink drinks come with a souvenir cup. Please reach out to **Jo-Dee Jackson, Taste Committee Chair (744-5513)** or **Robin Krawiec, Auction Chair (777-6992)** to provide an assist in any of the activities necessary for a successful event. This is one of the biggest fundraisers of the school year and a wonderful night out to enjoy the adult company of other school families, parishioners, and friends! See you there!
- Plan to attend the Parish Life **Annual Holiday Bazaar on Sunday, November 19th**, from 10:00-1:00 pm. Santa and the Grinch will be there! Please watch your classroom newsletters/emails for information on items needed for class baskets to be auctioned at the event. Thanks!
- Register (or re-register) your Kroger Plus Card <https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow> for the Kroger Community Rewards program to support SLS. Enter our organization number, **10234**.

October/November Calendar of Events

SAFETY PATROL DUTIES

Week of October 16th

AM

Carpool Assist:

Lucy R.

Andrew R.

Flag and Cones:

Hayden G.

Stella M.

PM

Flag and Cones:

Kaelyn D.

Jack L.

Oct 17	7-8 Quick Recall vs St. Albert	Nov 1	All Saints Day—School Mass
Oct 18	SFR Chili Festival	Nov 1	Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp
Oct 18	Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp	Nov 4	Taste of St. Leonard
Oct 19	Gr. 6-8 to Actors Theatre	Nov 7	Picture Retake Day
Oct 19	Great American Shakeout Drill	Nov 7	Touring Tuesday
Oct 22	Volunteer Appreciation Brunch	Nov 8	Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp
Oct 23	Bellarmino Handwashing Program	Nov 14	Touring Tuesday
Oct 23	SAC Meeting	Nov 15	Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp
Oct 24	Touring Tuesday/Open House	Nov 16	8 th to Dare to Care
Oct 25	Preschool Halloween Celebration	Nov 16	1:00 Dismissal
Oct 25	Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp	Nov 19	Holiday Bazaar
Oct 27	PreK-Gr3 to Gallrein Farms	Nov 21	Touring Tuesday
Oct 28	PTO Trunk or Treat	Nov 22-26	Thanksgiving Break
Oct 31	No School Mass	Nov 27	SAC Meeting
Oct 31	Touring Tuesday	Nov 28	Touring Tuesday

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