## Weekly Newsletter

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"Lord God, You are our shelter and our foundation. May we trust You in the big things and small."

~Amy Boucher Pye

## The Week in Review:

- We are excited to announce that our school's successful Accreditation Review Team (ART) visit resulted in the identification of the following Powerful Practices:
  - "The school provides a supportive learning environment in which all student interactions are positive and supportive in nature."
  - "School leadership and staff are committed to a shared belief on teaching and learning and support challenging, equitable educational programs for all students that include achievement of learning, thinking, and life skills. Leadership has also effectively engaged stakeholders in support of the school's purpose and direction, particularly in marketing efforts."
  - "The school has a resource rich environment and has sought out various programs to support student achievement and differentiated instruction."
  - "The school has a strong teamwork ethic in which administration and staff demonstrate a continuity of services for all students."

The ART met with administration, staff, students, SAC, and PTO members, toured the school, and surveyed documents and evidence to assess our school's progress in meeting the National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Schools. Again, we thank these individuals for their time, input, and commitment to the advancement and improvement of our school!

- Our St. Xavier vs Trinity Penny War this week netted \$498.49 for the students of McAdams Junior High and other victims of the recent hurricanes. Snaps to Mrs. Ousley and the 6<sup>th</sup> grade students for coordinating this effort and counting a total of \$192.47 in coins. Thanks to our families for their generosity!
- Our **preschoolers** delighted in their new "pumpkin center" to celebrate the beginning of autumn. They are especially enjoying the pumpkin geoboard (a pumpkin studded with golf tees) with which the children stretch rubber bands to make shapes and designs.
- Hats off to the following students who earned H.A.T. (Homework completed, Attendance perfect, Tardy-free) honors for the month of September: Emma N., Landon S., Tarik C., Ian F., Tristan K., Charlie R., Legacy S., Nelson C., Tyler L., Lucy P., Kate R., Caiden S., Aiden W., Liam K., Cara M., Riley N., Anna O., Gaby S., Frankie Y., Nikki L., Sophia K., Colton H., Rocco G., Dia C., Sterling C., Noah L., Lilly P., Stella M., Brooke M., Vince P., Anna G.

Did you know??... Nineteen of our 4-7<sup>th</sup> grade students qualified for the Duke TIP program this year. To be designated for this program, students must score in the 95<sup>th</sup> or higher percentile on at least one subtest of the Terra Nova Tests. Congratulations to the following students: Owen M., Atri O., Vincent P., Zachary S., Sterling C., Tate C., Briggs C., Rocco G., Abigail R., Kari S., Layla S., Frankie Y., Nadia L., Cara M., Riley N., Anna O., Leo R., Michael S., Liam W.

## **SUPPORTING LIFELONG SCHOLARS**

- We are looking forward to seeing our parents at the Positive Discipline Parent Meeting on Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30-8:30 pm in the library. Positive Discipline Educator Mary Hogan Jones, MAT/CPDLT will be here to explain the research-based parent and school education program designed to teach children to become responsible, respectful, and resourceful members of their communities. This will precede our 6-week parent workshop beginning Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> for consecutive Wednesdays through November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Lou will lead a small prayer service and blessing of our students' pets on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 on the soccer field. Please park in the parking lot for carpool and then bring your pets to the soccer field where our children will be gathered. All animals must be leashed or caged for student and pet safety. In the event of rain, the blessing will be in the gym. We hope you will join us.



- Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:15-5:30 and Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00-12:00. Please register your child for a time slot on the Sign-up Genius sent by the homeroom teacher. Please contact your teacher if you have questions. All students must attend conferences with their parents as conference time is considered a school day or be marked unexcused absent for Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Please note that there is no school, Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> in celebration of Columbus Day.
- This week, October 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, will be the **Scholastic Book Fair**. Students will preview book choices during their library classes on Monday and Tuesday. Sales will be Thursday and Friday. **Students/parents may purchase books during the time scheduled for conferences** as Mrs. Tomassetti will be available for sales on Thursday and Friday.
- 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 <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy. Please contact **Mrs. Barry at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:jointheir children">jointheir children</a> as servers for the liturgy.
- St. Leonard's **HOMEWORK HELP PROGRAM** is available on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons after 3:15 dismissal until 4:15 pm. For \$10/hr, a teacher will work with your child to complete any homework, work on study skills or a project, or study for tests. If you are interested in this after-school service, please contact **Kathleen Willenbrink at 897-5265** or <a href="mailto:kwillenbrink@stleonardlouisville.org">kwillenbrink@stleonardlouisville.org</a>
- Our PTO Taste of St. Leonard Committee is in full-swing planning for this exciting night on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> to benefit St. Leonard School. The class art projects are in the initial preparation stages, while solicitations/donations of items for the Silent Auction have begun. The Committee is looking for support and manpower in all areas, so please reach out to Robin Krawiec, Auction Chair (777-6992) or Jo-Dee Jackson, Taste Committee Chair (744-5513) to provide an assist. 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!
- Friday mornings are always "sweeter" when you stop and enjoy some donuts! Fifth grade families will help with sales for the month of October. Donuts will be on sale from 7:20 until 7:45 am and cost \$1/donut and 50¢/milk. Please contact **Robin Krawiec, 777-6992** to volunteer your time to help. Thanks!
- Please go to www.reachalert.com to create an account for emergency text notifications. Enter "St. Leonard School" for the network. The registration/ID number is "stleo". Call the school office for assistance if needed.
- Register your Kroger Plus card in the Community Rewards program. Re-registration is REQUIRED by Kroger to earn money for the current school year. Please go https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards and enter our organization number, 10234.

Confirmation Enrollment Mass





Oct 1

Oct 2-6





## **SAFETY PATROL DUTIES**

Atri O.

Week of October 2<sup>nd</sup>

AM

Carpool Assist:
Harmony S.
Maggie W.
Flag and Cones:
Nia G.
Anna G.
PM
Flag and Cones:
Jacob F.

Oct 2 Service Dog Presentation Gr.6-8 Positive Discipline Parent Meeting Oct 2 Oct 4 Blessing of the Animals Oct 5 8<sup>th</sup> to Dare to Care **PM Conferences** Oct 5 Oct 6 AM Conferences Columbus Day-No School Oct 9 Oct 10 7-8 Quick Recall vs SMM 7-8 Quick Recall vs St. Bernard Oct 11 Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp Oct 11 Oct 13 Service Dog Presentation Gr. K-5 Oct 16 Conservation Education Gr. 4-6 Oct 17 7-8 Quick Recall vs St. Albert Oct 18 Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp

Scholastic Book Fair

Oct 19 Gr. 7-8 to Actors Theatre Oct 19 Great American Shakeout Drill Oct 23 Bellarmine Handwashing Program Oct 23 SAC Meeting Oct 24 Open House Oct 25 Preschool Halloween Celebration Oct 25 Positive Discipline Parent Wkshp PreK-Gr3 to Gallrein Farms Oct 27 Oct 28 PTO Trunk or Treat Oct 31 No School Mass All Saints Day—School Mass Nov 1 Nov 4 Taste of St. Leonard

October Calendar of Events

St. Leonard Catholic School, in partnership with families, educates children in a challenging, dynamic, and Christ-centered environment through personal, intentional, and innovative instruction.