



The Thursday Thriller



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ST. MALACHY SCHOOL

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A PLACE WHERE I WILL MAKE SOMETHING OF MYSELF

“Character Is My Superpower”

SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR THIRD TRIMESTER

“So let’s not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will receive many blessings if we don’t give up.” Galatians 6:9

SPIRIT DAYS – MAY 17, 18 AND 19

SPIRIT DAYS CONTINUE:

Sports Day on Friday - dress to honor your favorite teams or sports

Students will be treated to an ice cream social at lunchtime thanks to the Parent Involvement Board.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE ON FRIDAY, MAY 26TH. DISMISSAL IS 1:00 P.M.

EIGHTH GRADE PRAYER SERVICE- FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2017 - 12:00 NOON.

On Friday, May 26th our school will go to St. Malachy Church at 12:00 to pray for God’s blessings on our eighth grade class. They will be our prayer leaders. During the chapel service, the eighth grade students will receive their autograph book and class ribbons. All are welcome to attend.

Immediately following the prayer service, we will dismiss at 1:00. Our staff will go with eighth grade students and families to their graduation luncheon on the Spirit of Chicago from Navy Pier. **THERE IS NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE. STUDENTS MUST BE PICKED UP BY 1:15.** Please make arrangements for your child/children to be picked up on time. Thank you for your cooperation.

REVIEW OF CHARACTER TRAITS IN MAY

We have worked hard all year on a character trait each month. In order to see how well we have learned these, we will spend the month reviewing the traits. Each class will review the trait

and make presentations to all the students. Ask your child about how they are working to review the traits for our school. Forgiveness (Aug) – 3rd, Zest (Sept)- K, Self Control (Oct) – 4th, Kindness (Nov) -1st, Gratitude (Dec) – 7th, Perseverance(Jan) – 5th, Courage (Feb) – 8th, Patience (Mar) – 2nd and Honesty (April)- 6th. It would be awesome if you could spend time asking your child/children about what they have learned about each trait.

CAREER DAY- THURSDAY, MAY 18TH FROM 1:00 -2:30

On Thursday, May 18th, the students had the opportunity to learn about a variety of careers. Our students in Grades K-8 heard about the following careers: Scientist, Restaurant Manager CPA, Marketing, Entrepreneur - Massage Therapist/State Farm, Asset Liability Manager, Amtrak On Board Supervisor and Project Manager. It was a great day! Everyone enjoyed the presentations. Thank you to Ms. Daniels for coordinating this program.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT BOARD MEETING - MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017 - 5:30P.M. -6:30 P.M

The last Parent Involvement Board meeting for the year is scheduled for Monday, May 22nd from 5:30p.m. -6:30 p.m. Parents are still welcome to come and find out more about the Board and the events they have planned for next year. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

REGISTRATION FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

Materials for registration for the 2017-18 school year were sent home last week. We are eager to register our current families before we have open registration for new families. Please return your completed form and the registration fee of \$175. Students who register and pay the registration fee are rewarded with a dress down day on Fridays throughout May.

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION - SUMMER 2017

Information was sent home for registration for Summer School. Summer School begins on Monday, June 19th and ends on Thursday, July 27th. It is reasonably priced for a six week - Monday through Thursday program. We highly recommend summer school for all students. There is a lot of research that supports the idea that students do "backslide" in their learning if they are not enrolled in enrichment or remedial programs of an academic nature. We encourage all children to attend a structured summer program.

STUDENTS IN GRADES 5,6 AND 7 ARE INVITED TO APPLY TO CHICAGO JESUIT ACADEMY SUMMR SCHOOL

Information was sent home last week with Grades 5, 6 and 7 regarding an excellent program in the summer at Chicago Jesuit. It is not located very far from here. It's at Laramie and Jackson. It is a five day a week program for five weeks for \$100. The fee is negotiable and it is a rigorous and very excellent academic program. We highly recommend this program as it is able to offer more than our resources will allow. Please call Ms. Miller or Ms. Daniels if you need assistance with the application process. Please contact us if you need another copy of the application.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PAYMENTS ARE DUE ON MONDAY, MAY 1ST

We ask that you pay in advance of the month you need before and after school care for your children. The May payment is due on Monday, May 1st. Please contact Mrs. Strauder to make payment arrangements if you are behind in your payments.

MAY TUITION PAYMENT - WAS DUE ON MONDAY, MAY 15TH. NO REPORT CARDS UNTIL FINAL PAYMENTS ARE MADE!

Parents who are behind in tuition/after school care are asked to phone Ms. Miller to set up a meeting to discuss payment arrangements, especially Kindergarten and Eighth Grade parents. All we need is a phone call from you to make an arrangement. Please take this seriously. All tuition accounts are expected to be paid in full by May 15th. If you need a payment arrangement, the time for that is NOW! Please contact Ms. Miller or Mrs. Strauder to arrange a payment plan.

I remind Kindergarten and Eighth Grade students' parents that all bills must be paid in full if your child is to participate in graduation activities.

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF EIGHTH GRADE AND KINDERGARTEN

PARENTS OF EIGHTH GRADE AND KINDERGARTEN ARE REMINDED THAT ALL TUITION AND FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE GRADUATION. *Start budgeting now for the extra costs in the graduation fee WAS due on May 1st. Eighth Grade fee is \$210. The Graduation fee for Kindergarten is \$50. All tuition, fundraising, volunteer hours, after school care bills must be completed before graduation activities. PLAN AHEAD TO AVOID ANY PROBLEMS AT THE END OF THE YEAR!*

LOOKING AHEAD: MAY/JUNE

CALENDAR REMINDERS

Parent Involvement Board - Monday, May 22nd

Friday, May 26th- Eighth Grade Prayer Service at 12:00 noon. Dismissal at 1:00 p.m. NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE!

Eighth Grade students and guests leave for luncheon on the Spirit of Chicago.

Monday, May 29th - Memorial Day - No Classes

Friday, June 2nd - Kindergarten Graduation at 11:00 a.m.

Friday, June 2nd - Last Day of School for Pk and K

Sunday, June 4^h - 4:00 p.m. - Eighth Grade Graduation

Wednesday, June 7th - All School Mass led by Grade 2 at 8:10 a.m.

Thursday, June 8th - Report Cards go home. Last Day of After School Care.

Friday, June 9th - Last Day of School - School Olympics- Dismissal at 1:00 p.m. NO AFTER SCHOOL CARE.

**Have a great weekend. Be safe.
Ms. Miller and Ms. Nho**