



The Thursday Thriller



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**NO SCHOOL TOMORROW ON
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD -
TEACHER INSERVICE SESSION
- NO CLASSES ON FRIDAY!**

FAMILY MASS AND HALLOWEEN PARTY- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

Thank you to all of our families who attended our Family Mass and Halloween celebration with our friends from Holy Cross. Thank you to our student readers and our Gospel Choir. It was a wonderful family event and everyone enjoyed themselves.

HALLOWEEN EVENT AT THE OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

On Tuesday, Halloween, our students in Grades K-8 were invited to visit the offices of the Office of Catholic Schools (OCS) at the Archbishop Quigley Center. We had a lively prayer service led by Father Matt. This was followed by a "Saints Scavenger Hunt" and our students met the staff of the OCS and trick or treated. We ended with a pizza lunch. We received a special thank you from the Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Dr. Jim Rigg, stating how polite and gracious our students and parents were. Thank you to all of our staff and parents who helped our children to be great representatives of our school.

FIFTH ANNUAL TITLE I PRIVATE SCHOOLS- PARENT CONFERENCE

Parents are encouraged to attend the Title I Private Schools Parent Conference. There are two locations: **Saturday, November 4th - 9:30 -3:00 pm** at St. Thomas of Canterbury (5525 N. Magnolia) or **Saturday, November**

18th -9:30 -3:00pm at St. Nicholas of Tollentine (3741 W. 62nd St.)

Everything is free. Childcare will be provided and there will be breakfast and lunch served. There will be all kinds of resources for parents and lots of raffles and prizes. Workshops for parents will be conducted to give you help on helping your child at home with their reading and math. To register on line- TitleIPrivateSchoolParent Conference.com. Please call the school for more information or contact our Title I teachers: Mrs. Camacho, Ms. Gaffigan and Mrs. Kilcullen.

GOOD NEWS FROM DE LASALLE HIGH SCHOOL

We received a letter from De La Salle to announce that two of our graduates from the Class of 2017- Imani Horton and Jillian Tolbert were on the honor roll for the first quarter. The letter stated that De La Salle feels that this is due to the excellent academic background that our school provides its students. We are proud of our graduates and the success they are having in college preparatory high schools.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT BOARD MEETING- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2017

Parents who can make the Board meetings on Monday night are asked to plan on attending the next meeting on Monday, November 27th at 5:30. The Board was encouraged by all of the positive responses from parents offering to assist on special projects. The Board is compiling an email and phone contact list so they will be reaching out to you as help is needed. The next big event is our annual "Breakfast With Santa" scheduled for Saturday, December 9, 2017. We will need

many parent volunteers so you will be contacted.



SPOTLIGHT ON OUR SCHOOL" BY NOLAN MCCOY, CLASS OF 2018.

Today Nolan has the spotlight on one of our eighth grade students, Lyle Gray, who attended Brush Creek Ranch in Wyoming this past summer with the Big Shoulders Fund. Nolan asked Lyle what it was like to be in Wyoming. He said that "it was an amazing experience and something he had never done. Lyle shared that his biggest interests in Wyoming were all of the activities that we did. He also enjoyed meeting all the kids from other catholic schools. Lyle ate breakfast, lunch and dinner every day with his new friends. Nolan's last question to Lyle was: "What behavior tips would you give to seventh graders for this year's selection?" Lyle responded that the seventh graders should work on having self control, keep an open mind and pay attention. Thank you, Lyle, for such great advice. Good luck to all of the seventh graders who are working to be selected for next summer's trip to Wyoming.

LETTER REGARDING DELINQUENT TUITION

Everyone who was behind in tuition and other payments received a letter with the first exclusion date. Thank you to the parents who made payments and called to make arrangements for their payments. The school office will be open tomorrow to receive payments and calls. If we do not hear from you, your child will not be allowed to attend classes on Monday, November 6th. This is a very serious obligation and we expect you to honor your agreements with us. Please call the office to discuss your payments so your child's education will not be interrupted.

We are hopeful that you took the time to read the letter that was attached to your child's progress report regarding our policy on delinquent tuition. This is a summary of the policy and a reminder that you must get your account up-to-date or contact the office to set up a payment arrangement by October 30th.

Our policy regarding delinquent tuition and extended care fees is as follows:

- 1) You will receive a letter from us when you are a month behind in payments. The letter will have an exclusion date one week later. After you receive the final reminder, you will have one week to make the payment or contact us to set up a payment arrangement.
- 2) If you do not do that, your child will be sent back home that day and must stay at home until you can make a payment or an arrangement with the office.

THE FIRST EXCLUSION DATE WILL BE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH. WE ARE HOPING THAT ALL ACCOUNTS WILL BE UP-TO-DATE BY NOVEMBER 3RD SO YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION WILL NOT BE INTERRUPTED.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA -SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH - PLAN AHEAD FOR THIS FUN MORNING!

A flyer will be coming home soon to announce the menu and activities planned for Breakfast With Santa! Look for that flyer, but for now **SAVE THE DATE! DECEMBER 9TH.**



RAMS UPDATE

Congratulations to our St. Malachy Girls' Varsity Basketball for finishing second in the Queen of the Hardwoods tournament last weekend at De La Salle. They had to win four games to get to the championship. They were outstanding and worked very well as a team to accomplish their victory. Thank you to Coach Dionte and all the staff and parents who attended the games to encourage our team to victory.

**Have a wonderful weekend. Enjoy a beautiful Fall weekend. Be Safe.
Ms. Nho and Ms. Miller**