Our Theme for 2021-2022: "In Him All Things Hold Together"

CALENDAR

Friday, October 22

Bagels - \$1

K- 5th Grade - Field Trip to Blakes Big Apple 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. - Yate's Apple Order Pick-up

Sunday, October 24

8:15 a.m. - Worship 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School Adult Bible Classes 11:00 a.m. - Worship 1-3:00 p.m. - Trunk or Treat

Monday, October 25

3:45 p.m. - Faculty Meeting-Action Plan

Wednesday, October 27

Parent/Teacher Conference Slips Due today 8:30 a.m. - Chapel (Baptism Birthdays)

Friday, October 29

Bagels - \$1

1/2 Day of School - Dismissed at Noon (Records Day) End of First Quarter of School Wreath/Garland/Poinsettia Sale Orders Due!



CHURCH ATTENDANCE: Don't forget to sign the attendance cards to record your attendance at church each Sunday. Parents must sign the form. A minimum of 50% in-person attendance is required each quarter. October 29 is the end of the first quarter for church members to qualify for the member education rate.

TARDINESS POLICY: According to state law all children are held to regular and punctual attendance. Tardiness is a discipline issue and disruptive to the start of the day for the teachers. Your goal should be to arrive at 8:00 a.m. when the doors open for the students to be ready for class and in their seats by 8:10 a.m. Thank you for your cooperation.

MORNING DROP OFF: For the Safety of our students, please remain in your car at drop off. If you need to get out of the car to say good bye to your child, please park in the church parking lot and cross the street with them at the corner crosswalk. Getting out of your car in the drop off line is causing students to be late for school and parents to be late for work. Let's all remember to be courteous to others. If you need to speak to the principal, or have business in the school office, please drop off your child and then drive to the other parking lot on Main Street and enter at Door #1. If your child is tardy, please bring them to Door #1. Thank you for your cooperation.

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS are celebrated once a month during our Chapel Service. There are several students that do not have dates recorded with the school as to when they were baptized. Please send a note to your child's teacher, or email Sue at strepanier@stpaulroyaloak.org with their baptism date. Thank you.



<u>CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH</u>: October is a special time to honor pastors and their families for their commitment and dedication to ministering. Pastors are such a blessing to the church and to the Kingdom of God, and we need to pray for them and encourage them at every opportunity. Their job may seem thankless and even overwhelming sometimes, so lifting them up with words of encour-

agement, a note, or a small gift will go a long way in their lives. October is a great time to let Pastor Andrzejewski and his wife Rachel know they are appreciated. We are so very blessed to have them here at St. Paul. Don't only thank them and pray for them in October, but do it often and all year long.

PTL FUNDRAISERS: Cookie Dough Sales - The winner of the Grand Prize - a \$250 gift card to Target and Amazon is Drew MacGregor in First Grade. Cookie Dough will be delivered the week of November 1st. Watch for information on the exact date. PTL Wreath/Garland/Poinsettia Sale orders and payment will be due on Friday, October 29th. Delivery date is expected to be Sunday, November 28. More order forms will go out next week.

TRUNK OR TREAT: We are collecting candy (individually wrapped pieces please) for the annual Trunk or Treat event planned for October 24 from 1-3:00 p.m. You may drop off candy in the box by the principal's office or in the church lobby. A lot of candy is needed as we serve close to 2,000 kids. Thank you. Help! Plan to decorate your car in a Halloween theme and pass out candy. Sign up at the Welcome Center at the church. We meet in the Main St. parking lot at 12:30 p.m. before the event.

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES are Thursday, November 4 from 5-8:00 p.m. and on Friday, November 5 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:30a.m. Please return the attached form by Wednesday, October 27th. If your request is not sent in, an appointment will be made for you. Please remember that Thursday, November 4 is a half day of school and there is no school on Friday, November 5.

HALLOWEEN PARTIES, October 29 (1/2 Day): Due to Covid restrictions, our teachers will conduct Halloween parties in their classrooms on their own. There will be time at the end of the day for parents and grandparents to see the children.

<u>CALENDAR CHANGE</u>: Special Person Day scheduled for November 19th has been postponed to a later date.

Equip, Support, Serve, Witness Where God Calls Us.

<u>FAST DIRECT-</u> <u>Grades 3-5</u>: Are you checking on your child's grades? Fast Direct is a modern day progress report. Through Fast Direct, you see your child's grades on individual assignments, you see a cumulative grade, and you see if there are any missing assignments. **PLEASE** - check your child's progress. Report card grades should **NEVER** be a surprise. Use the codes given to you and check on your child's progress weekly. Any questions - Contact your teacher.

<u>LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA:</u> We are collecting proofs of purchase from the pizza boxes. Please bring them in to the office. These are collected by our PTL to receive free a Pizza Lunch for our students. Thank you to Mr. Desjardine for coordinating this program.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS: Go online to Kroger.com/CommunityRewards to create an account. Our Organization # is HG674. All you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Plus Card. We just received a check for \$130.77 from Kroger.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPE: On December 10, the students will have an opportunity to do all their Christmas shopping and buy handmade gifts for \$1 - \$5. This is an affordable and fun way for the students to get quality gifts for everyone on their list. If you are interested in making a dozen or more items to donate to our Christmas Shoppe, please contact Anne Sagan at 248-546-5228 or annesagan@yahoo.com. We also need help in planning this event, and we will need help the day of the sale with wrapping gifts. Thank you!



<u>REMINDER—TEXT MESSAGING SIGN UP</u>: We make use of a group texting program to keep parents in the loop. These messages are reminders of upcoming events, last minute changes, and other updates. PLEASE sign up and join our group. Text @stpaulro to 81010 to join. If you have any questions, please talk to your child's teacher, or the school office. You could miss important information if you do not sign up.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Next time you are in the school visiting the office, please make sure to notice the birthday cakes that are posted across the hallway. They have all of our school's birthdays written on them. September and October are up now, and we will put each month up as it comes.

Reformation Sunday Celebration!

REFORMATION RALLY: Mark your Calendars! It's time to party! Join us on October 31st as we celebrate Reformation! St. Paul will have one Worship Service at 9:00 a.m. that Sunday. Join us for games, food, & fellowship! Don't miss out!

→ Sunday → DO YOU HAVE: LAWN GAMES? Cornhole? Ladder Golf? Giant Jenga? Washers? Giant Connect Four? Ring Toss? We're looking to borrow some games for our celebration. Please contact Steven Carpenter if you can lend us your games for 10/31.



<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- MANY HANDS = LIGHT WORK!</u> Looking for help in various roles for our Reformation Rally. If you can help in any way, please let Steven Carpenter know (scarpenter@stpaulroyaloak.org). Thank you for your continued support.

Quote of the Week

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burden of it for anyone else.



-Charles Dickens

Dear Parents,

Your involvement in your child's education is vitally important to the success we seek for your student. Through our parent-teacher conferences, we hope to strengthen that involvement, sharing our common concerns about your child's physical, mental, and moral growth and planning ways to provide encouragement and support needed to meet the challenges confronting each student.

We never forget that you, as parents, are the primary teachers of your children. Yours is an awesome responsibility. Your family's daily schedule, your moral guidance, and your help with homework, the intellectual stimulation you provide, and your aspirations and expectations for your child – all these have an enormous effect on what does or does not happen at school. We pledge our cooperation and invite yours. Your insights and intimate knowledge of your child can be of great value to us as we strive to help students be the "best they can be." Only by working together can we help them achieve their God-given potential.

Our door is open to you at scheduled conferences and at any other time you feel your child will benefit by our sharing of ideas. The welcome mat is out.

PARENT-TEACHERS CONFERENCES are scheduled for preschool through eighth grade on Thursday, November 4, from 5-8:00 P.M. and on Friday, November 5, from 9-11:30 p.m. Please sign the bottom of this sheet and return it to the school office no later than Wednesday morning, October 27st. We will then notify you of your exact conference time.
We (I) would like to have parent-teacher conferences scheduled for:
Thursday, November 4 (5-8:00 p.m.)
Friday, November 5 (9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)
Either One
Request to see another teacher. Teacher's Name:
Please note if there are any special considerations we should make in scheduling. (We will schedule the members of one family close together.)
NAME AND GRADE OF CHILD(REN)