

## From Mrs. Albert's Desk



### Happy Thanksgiving from Kingston Catholic!

*We gather together to  
ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and has-  
tens His will to make  
known.*

*The wicked oppressing  
now cease from dis-  
tressing.*

*Sing praises to His  
Name; He forgets not  
His own.*

*Beside us to guide us,  
our God with us join-  
ing,  
Ordaining, maintain-  
ing His kingdom di-  
vine;*

*So from the beginning  
the fight we were  
winning;  
Thou, Lord, were at  
our side, all glory be  
Thine!*

**Thank you to all who  
supported our  
Halloween Basket  
Raffle!**

**Congratulations to  
our winner:**

**Reese Lubcker**

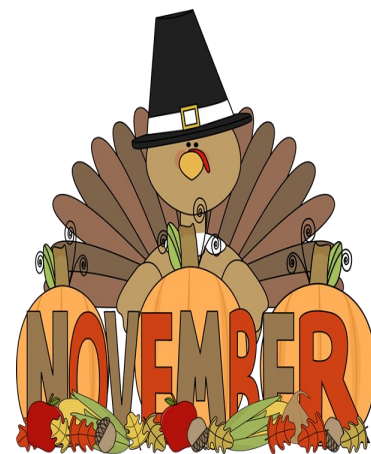
## Hearts full of Gratitude

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches, we have so much to be Thankful for here at KCS! The gift of being together each day is one we no longer take for granted. We give thanks for our back to normal schools days. We are in the full swing of a happy, healthy, and productive school year. A year filled with learning, growth, joy, hope and God's abundant blessings.

To show our gratitude, the students and staff of KCS are finding ways to continue to give back to our com-

munity. In October, we held a pet food drive to honor St. Francis and a coat drive to help those in need. We also celebrated Red Ribbon Week with a break-fast drive for children in our community.

**During the month of November, our chapter of the National Junior Honor Society will host a Thanksgiving Stuffing Drive to support the People's Place. The class donating the most stuffing will win a dress down day & extra**



**recess...while provid-  
ing valuable commu-  
nity service.**

Also, in November, to show our appreciation, our students will make Thanksgiving cards for the elderly and in-firmed of our commu-nity, as well as clergy members and commu-nity helpers. We will also keep our family members as our spe-cial prayer intention this month.

## Halloween & Fall Fun at KCS

Thank you to the KCS Family Organization for sponsoring our annual Trunk-or-Treat for students in grades PK-4. A special thank you to our talented families and staffers who created amazing displays in their trunks! The winning trunks this year be-longed to the Collishaw Family with Never-land, Toy Story by the Ricci family, and Dr. Seuss from the National Junior Honor Soci-ety.

In school we celebrated this fun-filled day with a Halloween colors dress down day, raffles, crafts, Halloween movies, and spooky treats! The Student Council helped the Great Pumpkin leave pumpkins for our PreK students in our most sincere LisaLand

pumpkin patch and sponsored a fundraiser for students to guess the number of kernels of candy corn in a bucket! Congratulations to winner Harper Quigley!

Our 5th—8th graders will dance the night away on Friday, Novem-ber 17th at the Harvest Dance with DJ Ming. Thank you to Mr. McDonough and the 8th grade for hosting this event.



# Dress Code & Attendance



Happy Thanksgiving to all of our Kingston Catholic families & friends!

School has been in session for two months now and uniforms have arrived. Wearing the correct uniform everyday is part of being a self-disciplined student. Please help your child ensure they are dressed appropriately every day. (Kindly refer to the Parent/Student Handbook for guidance.)

And speaking of attire, the chilly weather is here! **The students will continue to have outdoor class time, fresh air breaks, and recess.** Please remember hats, mittens, and appropriate footwear. The staff will require your student to keep his/her jacket on during recess.

**Additionally, our classrooms are cool as we will be keeping windows**

**open and fans moving to ensure proper cross ventilation. Students need a KCS sweater, fleece, track jacket to wear in their classrooms. Sweatshirts are for gym days only and must be school issued.** Other outerwear will not be permitted in our classrooms.

At this point in the school year chronic absenteeism and tardiness is also being addressed. Students who continue to be habitually tardy to school will be making up missed class work during recess. While we all run late every once in a while, tardy students are not only at an academic disadvantage themselves, but they disrupt the learning process for their classmates as well. Speaking of academic success, **I cannot stress**

**strongly enough that the single most important thing you can do to advance your children's education is to be sure they are in attendance each day.** As I visit classrooms each day, I am happy to see the amount of teaching and learning that takes place during each and every class period. Making up work that is sent home is not the equivalent of being in class. Missing class puts your children at an academic disadvantage and impedes their educational growth. Please keep the importance of school attendance in mind when scheduling appointments and planning vacations.



## WE GIVE THANKS

(from VeyWell Mind) A 2019 study published in the *Journal of Happiness Studies*<sup>1</sup> found that gratitude is linked to happiness in children by age 5. This means that instilling gratitude in your kids at a young age could help them grow up to be happier people.

According to a 2008 study published in the *Journal of School Psychology*, grateful children (ages 11 to 13) tend to be happier, more optimistic, and have better social support. They also report more satisfaction with their schools, families, communities, friends, and themselves. Grateful kids also tend to give more social support to others as well.

According to a 2011 study published in *Psychological Assessment*, grateful teens (ages 14 to 19) are more satisfied with their lives, use their

strengths to improve their communities, are more engaged in their schoolwork and hobbies, and have better grades. They've also been shown to be less envious, depressed, and materialistic than their less grateful counterparts.

So clearly there are a lot of good reasons to help kids experience and express gratitude. Here are a few strategies that can help your kids feel more grateful.

Encourage your child to say "Thank you" on a regular basis. Offer gentle reminders like, "Your brother let you go first. What should you say to him?" or "What do you say to Grandma for giving you a cookie?" While it may seem like forcing a "thank you" doesn't stir up any real gratitude, consider it a first step in the process. It can

help kids start to recognize when others have given them something, whether it's something tangible like a gift, or intangible like time.

So even if it doesn't seem like genuine appreciation when your child needs a reminder, encouraging them to verbally express appreciation can be an important learning tool for genuine gratitude down the line.

Make gratitude a priority in your home. Not only will your child benefit, but the adults will likely get a much-needed boost in happiness and well-being also. Experiment with different strategies to help determine which gratitude practices help everyone best experience and express their grateful feelings.

**Thank  
You**

Reminder:

**Virtual Parent~Teacher Report Card Conferences**

**November 16th & 17th**

**Did you schedule your appointment?**





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			All Saints Mass 9am	1 dia de los Muertos Celebration	2 First Friday 12pm Dismissal	3 4
5	6	7	Field Trip Grs. 5-8	8	9 Veterans Day NO SCHOOL	10 11
12	13	14	15	Report Card Conferences 12pm Dismissal No Aftercare	16 Report Card Conferences 12pm Dismissal No Aftercare	17 18
19	20	Pie Pick-up Day	21 Fall Colors Dress Down Day	22 Happy Thanksgiving	23 Thanksgiving Recess	24 25
26	27	28	29	30		

# NOVEMBER

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OCTOBER 2023

DECEMBER 2023

## COMING UP:

- 12/3 Pancake Breakfast
- 12/4-12/6 Santa's Workshop
- 12/6 Buff City/Panera Fundraiser
- 12/11 Christmas Concert
- A Christmas Carol Assembly



## **NO AFTER CARE NOVEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**

Just a friendly reminder, as per our yearly calendar, Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> & Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> are Report Card Conference Days. Dismissal is at 12:00 each day with no Aftercare. Please plan accordingly.

Please note that the **conferences are virtual**. Your report card conference **time was returned to you today** in the blue Family Envelope. Please note the day and time of your Zoom conference on your calendar. Your child(ren)'s teacher(s) will send you the link the week of the conferences.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions. Thank you!

# Thursday Night!



## Restaurant Night

**Thursday**  
**November 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**4:00-9:30 pm**

Enjoy a night out while supporting our school!  
20% of your total dinner bill will be donated back to  
Kingston Catholic School

Dine-In or Take Out

\*Uptown location only\*

**\*\*Please Let Your Server Know you are with KCS prior to placing  
your order\*\***



JOIN US FOR THE NOVEMBER

**KCSFO**  
**MeETING**

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

6:00-7:00 PM

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THE NOVEMBER MEETING IS BEING HELD ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY DUE TO SCHEDULING CONFLICTS AND UPCOMING HOLIDAYS. PLEASE JOIN US TO DISCUSS RAISERIGHT, THE SANTA BREAKFAST, THE HOLIDAY SHOPPE, A KCSFO CHRISTMAS TREAT FOR STUDENTS AND MORE! ALL INPUT AND HELP IS APPRECIATED!



*Everyone is welcome, We hope to see you there!*

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PLEASE CONTACT MELISSA WITH QUESTIONS: [MAZIMMER@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:MAZIMMER@HOTMAIL.COM)

# *Congratulations!*

Thank you to all who set up trunks and participated in Trunk or Treat this year! And a huge thank you to our Social Committee, Beth and Jackie, for organizing this great event. The winners of this years "Best dressed" trunks are:

**First Place:** Neverland by The Collishaw Family

**Second Place:** Toy Story by The Ricci Family

**Third Place:** Dr. Seuss by the KCS National Junior Honor Society

Congratulations to the Kindergarten class for donating the most candy for Trunk or Treat! They will receive a dress down day at Mrs. Ressa's discretion.

Thank you for helping us make this a great event,  
The KCSFO





# HELP NEEDED!



*Frozen, Jr.* is searching for SET DESIGN and COSTUME CHAIRPEOPLE!

**Musical Theatre at KCS is a community effort -  
we cannot do this without you!**

## Set Design Chairperson

- Coordinate the group of parent volunteers who are part of the set decorating committee and attend periodic committee meetings
- Availability during "Set Building Saturdays" to oversee volunteers/help create our set (begins January, usually morning/early afternoon 10-2 - time flexible)
- No artistic skills necessary but are always welcomed!

## Costume Chairperson

- Coordinate the group of parent volunteers who are part of the costume building committee and attend period committee meetings
- Availability to organize, perform, and delegate costume building responsibilities, as well as measure/fit actors periodically throughout production
- Availability to work backstage and keep track of costumes during performance time (you will still get a chance to sit and watch the show!)
- No sewing skills necessary but are always welcomed!

**For BOTH positions:**

**Organization, communication, and coordination are the main qualifications - all *Frozen, Jr.* families will need to complete volunteer hours, so you will have help!**

*Interested? Email Nicole Tarcza at [nicole.tarcza@kingstoncatholic.org](mailto:nicole.tarcza@kingstoncatholic.org) ASAP*

*\*\*Will need to be Safer Spaces certified\*\**



**We Gather Together To Give Thanks To the Lord**

**The KCSFO is selling Deising's  
Thanksgiving Pies!**

The following pies will be available for sale:



TYPE	# of Pies	Cost	Total
Apple		\$18.00	
Apple Crumb		\$18.00	
Sugar-Free Apple		\$18.00	
Blueberry		\$18.00	
Blueberry Crumb		\$18.00	
Cherry		\$18.00	
Cherry Crumb		\$18.00	
Pumpkin		\$18.00	
Strawberry Rhubarb		\$18.00	
Pecan		\$20.00	
Totals:			

**ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>**

**PIES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP ON TUESDAY  
NOVEMBER 21<sup>st</sup> DURING DISMISSAL**

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Total Payment Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

All pies can be placed in the freezer for freshness until ready for  
consumption.

Let pie thaw 4-6 hours before placing in the oven for 10 min.



## KCS Fall Harvest Dance 2023 with DJ Ming for Grades 5-8

- to benefit the Class of 2024

November 17<sup>th</sup>

6:00 – 8:00pm

\$15.00/student

**Please return permission slip on or before November 9<sup>th</sup>.**

Please allow my child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_ to attend the KCS Harvest Dance. I am aware, and have made my child(ren) aware, that all school rules and policies are in effect during the dance and students are expected to demonstrate exemplary behavior at all times.

Name and Phone Number of adult picking up: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or Other Important Medical Information: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of children attending X \$15.00 = total amount attached \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



Wood' N Wheel welcomes you for an afternoon of skating

**Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**1:30 PM – 4:00 PM**

\$15.00 pp **CASH ONLY** to be paid at the door  
(exact change appreciated)

Adult Supervision is required to attend

Drinks/Snacks will be available for purchase at the concession stand

Any questions please feel free to contact Beth or Jackie

[Beth1028@optonline.net](mailto:Beth1028@optonline.net) or [Jalvarez@jackiealvarez.com](mailto:Jalvarez@jackiealvarez.com)


# KINGSTON CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR EXTENDED DAY PROGRAM

**FAMILY NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**WEEK OF: November 6, 2023**

**Parent/Guardian - kindly indicate in the appropriate box name, grade and pick-up time.**

**Please X the days you need aftercare.**

Child's Name & Grade	Mon. Nov 06	Tues. Nov 07	Wed. Nov 08	Thurs. Nov 09	Fri. Nov 10
					
					<b>Veteran's Day - No School</b>
<b>Pick up time</b>					

**\*\*\* Daily Rate \$25.00/child-\$15.00 each add'l child**

**Weekly Rate \$100.00/child; \$150.00/2 children; \$175.00/3 children**

**RETURN TO SCHOOL BY Friday ALONG WITH PAYMENT.**

**PARENT SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**For those parents who need a receipt other than your check, fill in the form below and tear it off for your records. This will serve as your receipt for the aftercare program:**

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Kingston Catholic School Aftercare Receipt

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Week Of: \_\_\_\_\_ # of Days Used: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check (Check #): \_\_\_\_\_





## KINGSTON CATHOLIC WEEKLY HOT LUNCH MENU

### Week of 11.6.23

NAME(S) & GRADE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

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#### MONDAY

Chicken Finger w/  
Tater Tots

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#### TUESDAY

**Grades PK-4:** Hotdog w/Applesauce, Chips

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**Grades 5-8:** 2 Hotdogs w/Chips

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#### WEDNESDAY

Pizza w/ Applesauce

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#### THURSDAY

Grilled Chicken  
Sandwich w/chips

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#### FRIDAY

**Veterans Day- NO SCHOOL**

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Each lunch is **\$6.00**

Please remember to put your child's name and grade on this menu.  
Please remember to include your check payable to Kingston Catholic School.

A second slice of pizza may be ordered along with the \$6.00 lunch for an extra \$2.00 (Unfortunately the "seconds for two dollars" option is not available with any other lunch).

LUNCH MENUS MUST BE IN BY **HOMEROOM on FRIDAY** MORNING

ALONG WITH PAYMENT FOR THE COMING WEEK-  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

