



# ST. ANTHONY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I hope you enjoyed the weekend. Saturday's weather was beautiful but the week ahead is supposed to be chilly, temperatures in the 40's and 50's. We do go out to recess daily, so please send your child to school with a sweatshirt or fleece this week. With the colder weather coming, we will switch to the standard uniform, slacks and jumpers or skirts worn with shoes, no more shorts and skorts with sneakers, starting **Monday, December 5**. Gym uniforms will still be worn to school with sneakers on gym class days.

Last week, on Monday, the teachers in Grades Kindergarten to Grade 8 sent home appointment letters, via Backpack mail, for **Parent/Teacher Conferences to be held on Tuesday, November 22**. Please be sure to reach out to your child's teacher if you did not receive your appointment letter.

A reminder that in accordance with Archdiocesan policy, tuition payments must be current in order for students to receive their report cards. I will open the **portal for Report Cards on Monday, November 21** so that you will have an opportunity to review the report card before your Parent/Teacher Conference.

I want to thank all our donors to **the Saints In Action Hurricane relief fund** for the Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Venice. **Our school collected \$700** to help the children get back into to their schools.

This past Thursday, November 10, St. Anthony School hosted a celebration honoring Veterans in our extended School and Parish family. Some of the Veterans in attendance were grandfathers, fathers, uncles and family friends of our own students. Fr. Dan Tuite, our pastor, led us in prayer dedicated in remembrance of those who served and/or are serving our nation today in the military. Our guest of honor was Yonkers Deputy Mayor Anthony Landi who presented our school with a Proclamation signed by Mayor Mike Spano declaring the day as "St. Anthony School Day" in the city of Yonkers in recognition to our school and its students' long years of service to the Veterans of our community! Our students created cards, letters, banners, and entertained our Veterans with song. Nicholas Riolo shared his essay on a very special Veteran, his Grandad, with all our guests. Leah Filippelli read a letter written by a student from the first Veterans Day celebrations at St. Anthony School. Charlie Bollati, Olivia Bruno and Caitlyn Lynch raised our new school flag, which flew over our nation's Capitol Building.



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This **Thursday, November 17**, we will be holding a **Pep Rally** to cheer on our CYO Girls and Boys Basketball teams as they begin their season. On Thursday, CYO Team members are asked to wear their **WHITE** Basketball Uniforms to school for the day. We invite the rest of our students to wear their gym uniforms and either a white or red tee shirt. The **Pep Rally will begin at 1:45 PM** in our school gym. Parents are welcome to join in the fun!! Students will be dismissed at the conclusion of the Pep Rally. Please be sure to sign your child out with the teacher before you take them home.

A number of families have expressed an interest in the Basketball Clinic that was discussed at our Back to School Night. The Clinic will begin after the CYO Basketball season is completed. More details to follow!

Plans are being discussed for us to host a **Volleyball Clinic in January and February** to prep our Volleyball **players in Grades 5-8** for the new season. James Longworth, the Coach of our last year's Boys Championship team, will run the clinic. More details to come.

This **Friday, November 18**, the Faculty and I are attending a **Teachers' Conference Day** hosted by the Archdiocese. There will be an **early dismissal at:**

**11:30AM for Grades Pre- Kdgn 3 and Grades Kindergarten to Grade 8**

**Dismissal is at 1:00PM for UPK 4**

Thanksgiving is just around the corner! I am not sure how because it seems as though it was just September! On **Monday, November 21**, St. Anthony School will sponsor our **Annual Thanksgiving Food Collection** for the **Food Pantry**. It seems that this year is especially difficult for some families and the Pantry needs our support more than ever. All students that donate a non-perishable food item, may **Dress Down on Monday**.

On **Tuesday, November 22, the Home School Association**, will be reviving our annual **Thanksgiving Breakfast** for our students. More details to follow.

**Thanksgiving Recess** begins on **Wednesday, November 23** and school will resume on **Monday, November 28**.

Just a reminder that there will be **no After Care on Tuesday, November 22**.

God Bless and stay safe.

*Sharyn O'Leary*

*Principal*

