

HOLY HAWKS NEWSLETTER

October Edition 4

Week of October 23rd

Another short week but filled with lots of Red Ribbon activities, conferences, and of course-school work! Thanks to all of you who were able to make it to conferences. For those of you who were unable to come, the teachers will be reaching out to talk to you. My goal is 100% participation. This is the point in the school year where everyone needs to be on the same page to set goals and expectations for the rest of the school year.

Next week is the Halloween party. Just a reminder: If you are planning on helping us celebrate that day, please leave other children at home. This is the rule for field trips, also. These activities are special to our students only.

Some of our parents and grandparents are not up to date with their child protection requirements. We will be reaching out to you if you are missing a CANTS form, background check or refresher course. Remember to volunteer at any activity involving our students; you must be in full compliance. If you coach, there may be other requirements for you. I know there is a lot of paperwork at the beginning of school and you may have overlooked these forms. Thank you for taking a minute to complete the necessary requirements.

I mentioned last week that Katie's last day will be November 3. I am in the process of hiring a new person to take her place. We will work to make this transition as smooth as possible but there will be some kinks in the process. Please be patient and understanding as we make this change. If you call the office and we do not pick up, please call Sarah or Hope at the church number 539-3209. My email is sjbhill@hotmail.com. Please email me with your questions, concerns or your daily information.

Please read the attached invitation for our Veterans Day celebration. The students and staff would like to invite all veterans to come to our Veterans Day assembly on Thursday, November 9 at 10:00 in the gym. There will be a short program and light refreshments following. If you know any veterans who cannot make it that day and would love to receive a card from the students, please give us their names and an address. We cannot thank our veterans enough for their service to our country.

Don't forget Trunk or Treat this Saturday, October 28 from 10:00-11:00. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate. If not, it will be held in the gym.

Enjoy your long weekend.

Ms. Hill

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Veteran's Day Program

Please RSVP to let us know if you can attend! If you know of a veteran who cannot attend, please share their mailing address with us so our students can send them a card. Please see the attached invitation that you can forward to any Veterans you know and would love to attend!

<https://forms.gle/UcabK6PoNtmRP7r38>

AUCTION

The auction planning is underway!! First thing is the cover contest! See the flyer attached to this email for more information.

FUNDRAISERS

Our Christmas Cash Raffle! This is a HUGE money maker for us. We are at 156 tickets sold!! Keep selling and if you need more please contact the office. Remember to turn your tickets back into the office if you are not going to sell them! The drawing for a \$25 gift card of the winner's choice from RaiseRight—will take place during the All-School Halloween Party on Oct. 31!

ST. JOSEPH • FREEBURG
Christmas Cash Raffle
Only 800 Tickets to be Sold
\$13,000 Prize Money
30 Prizes to Be Awarded!
GRAND PRIZE - \$6,000
1st Prize \$2,500 • 2nd Prize \$1,000 • 3rd Prizes 2-\$500
AND: 2-\$250 Prizes • 4-\$100 Prizes • 8-\$75 Prizes • 10-\$50 Prizes
Prizes Awarded Friday, December 8, 2023, at St. Joseph Parish Center,
Freeburg, IL • Drawing Will Be Held at 6:30 P.M.
\$500 EARLY BIRD DRAWING AT 12:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 21
One prize awarded per ticket for main drawing. Winners will be notified immediately after drawing.
Checks should be made payable to ST. JOSEPH CASH RAFFLE.
In the event that all tickets are not sold,
prizes will be awarded on the basis of 50/50 split.
TICKET COST: \$35.00 EACH

Our Bundlet fundraiser was a HUGE success!! We ended up selling 430 Bundlets!! Way to go!!

Following in the Footsteps of Christ

None this week

Important Dates to Remember

October 27 - No School
October 31 - Halloween Parties - 2pm dismissal
November 1 - Butter Braids delivered
November 3 - Bundlets delivered and Free Dress Day
November 4 - Holey Hawks and Beginners Speech Meet
November 9 - 11:30 dismissal
November 10 - No School

PTF Announcements

Trunk or Treat on October 28—Call for Trunks!

We hope everyone will be able to join us for St. Joseph's annual Trunk or Treat this Saturday, October 28, from 10-11 a.m. This event is free and open to the community, so bring your friends to enjoy treats and games! The event will take place in the school parking lot unless the weather is bad, in which case, we will move inside the Parish Center.



Trunk or Treat!

Saturday, October 28, 10-11 a.m.
Outside the St. Joseph Parish Center
Join us for treats, games & fun for the kids!

Interested in sponsoring a trunk or game?
Contact Katie Welsch (katherinekoss@yahoo.com)
*If the weather doesn't cooperate, we'll move the festivities inside!

SHOP WITH RAISERIGHT

RaiseRight is a year-round fundraiser for our school families and St. Joseph PTF. You can purchase physical or e-gift cards to hundreds of retailers, and a percentage of the purchase price goes back to your family for tuition. Full details, including how to sign up for the online + app versions, are available on the [school website](#).

If you have questions about the program, contact Katie Waeltz (office@stjcsil.org) or Katie Welsch (katherinekoss@yahoo.com). If you'd be interested in selling RaiseRight cards after the Sunday masses at St. Agatha or St. Joseph, contact Sarah Wiskamp at parish@stjosephfreeburg.org.

Athletics

Holey Hawks

- Holey Hawks mini-golf is coming up on November 4. Want to host a hole? Fill out the form in the comments. And keep your eyes peeled for registration forms if you want to play! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScbFPSor3iCEYeejAgohNxteuEL7u0B0513SXj-BGo7eRk78g/viewform?fbclid=IwAR3MEAas3TybsM5hES26LMAafVSGwoW3qWu-eCPMQS6cKymAQm6DyALU_Hg

OUR CATHOLIC HIGHSCHOOLS

Gibault

October 28/29

Open House 2023

Our Open House is next Sunday – November 5. It's the perfect time to learn more about Gibault Catholic High School and what all we can offer your family! Take a private tour of the campus, meet our faculty, learn about sports and clubs, and ask any questions you may have. Reserve your space: [https://bit.ly/gchsoopenhouse23](https://bit.ly/gchsopenhouse23)

Shadow Visits

Come see what life as a Gibault Hawk is like! On select Tuesdays and Fridays, your 7th or 8th grader or current high school student can spend the day at Gibault as a Shadow Visitor. Shadows will be matched with a current student with similar interests and together, they'll attend classes, meet teachers, enjoy lunch in our cafeteria, and more! Get started at: <https://bit.ly/GCHSInquire>



Don't Take Away Student Scholarships!

I told my legislators to #RemoveTheSunset and #SaveMyScholarship. Join me in showing support for #TaxCreditScholarships. #TCSHelpsKids #EmpowerFamilies <http://p2a.co/gMQReHi>

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