

# Laker Newsletter

OCTOBER 1, 2020

## ST. EDWARD ON THE LAKE CATHOLIC SCHOOL



## MISSION STATEMENT

*We at St. Edward on-the-Lake Catholic School, work together with our families and community to create a Christ-centered environment which promotes Catholic faith formation, academic excellence, and personal development. Our students will have the opportunity to become confident, independent thinkers, and life-long learners who are responsible to God, to themselves and to society.*

## DEAR ST. ED'S FAMILIES

I want to thank everyone that took the time to introduce themselves to me during my first full week at St. Edward's. While the week went by quick, I would like to think that it was filled with a lot of meaningful moments, as I am getting a handle on all of our routines, procedures, and protocols. I am gradually learning students' names and building relationships with them as they get to know me. I have had a chance to get out for recess most of the week and we have some talented soccer athletes out there. They let me play goalie and they can get up and down the field pretty quickly! They would like me to buy bigger nets, though, as I am proving to be a formidable goalie! I have also been so impressed with the student's manners, sportsmanship, and teamwork both at recess and in the classroom. I had the chance to spend

an hour in 1st grade on Friday and have an appreciation for our teachers as well. It was only an hour, but I needed a nap when I got home! That may have been due to the end of the first week for me, though-I think!? I am looking forward to October, and while I love all the seasons, Fall is my favorite. Our PTO has set up a pumpkin fundraiser after all of the masses during the month, if you need pumpkins for around the house, give them a look, as the funds go to a great cause!

Be well and God Bless!

Mr. Metty

## EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-185 MASK MANDATE

Governor Whitmer's Executive Order 2020-185 states that beginning on Monday, October 5th, that students and staff in grades K-12, **MUST** wear face coverings, except during meals, in the classrooms. Before, this was not the case, and masks were only required to be worn when traveling in the hallways. The new order, ahead of the flu season, will require everyone in the classrooms to wear a mask during the day. We will be monitoring this moving forward and will look for further direction from the AOD and state as this requirement is implemented here at St. Edwards.

## BLESSING OF THE PETS

On Friday, October 2nd, at 2:30PM, Father Acervo will give the "Blessing of the Pets". Parents can bring their pets to the front of the church at that time. We will have the students meet you at that time for the blessing. If you are not able to bring the family pet, your child can bring in a picture for the blessing. Once the activity is over, students will return to the school and will be dismissed at the normal 3:05 dismissal time, unless otherwise arranged. Please inform your child's teacher if you will be dismissing them earlier. Due to COVID requirements, we are asking students to refrain from visiting other families pets during the blessing, and will have students stay with their child's teacher or families that have brought pets during that time. Thank you for your help with this and we hope to see you on Friday afternoon.

## MORNING DROP OFF

Just a reminder that our school start time is 7:45AM. We allow a five minute grace period and begin marking students tardy at 7:50AM. Also, please note that students should not begin to arrive in the building before 7:15AM. We understand that work begins early for some families, but we care about our students' safety, and there is no supervision available before that 7:15AM time. Thank you for your assistance with this safety matter.

## PUMPKIN SALES AFTER MASSES



As mentioned above, pumpkins will be for sale after masses starting this Sunday, October 4th, and will be sold after all of our masses in October until they are gone. If you need pumpkins for your holiday decorating, come on out and purchase as many as you need!

## ATTENDING SCHOOL PROTOCOL WHEN SICK

Just a reminder on our protocols as it pertains to student illness:

-If your child has a fever, they should not be in school. We know this is obvious, but please also consult with your family doctor on next steps as it relates to Covid. If a Covid test is given, the student should remain out until the results are back and next steps can be determined.

-If your child has been vomiting and/or exhibiting additional symptoms, they should not return to school ideally for 48 hours.

-Once your child returns to school, the expectation is that they will take part in all school activities, including recess, unless given a written doctor's note requesting otherwise.

-If a student has been absent due to an illness on a particular day, they will not be able to participate in any after school activities for that day of the absence.

-We are doing our best to maintain our protocols so that we can continue to provide face to face instruction for our students. We appreciate everyone's help and assistance with this, as we are doing great! If you ever have a question regarding symptoms your child may be having and whether or not they should be attending school or staying home based on those symptoms, please do not hesitate to ask!

## ONLINE CALENDAR

Please remember to check our online calendar for up coming events.

<https://stedwardonthelakeschool.org/google-calendar/>

## FACTS ONLINE PAYMENT SYSTEM

I just would like to remind parents that all billing for Milk and Aftercare will be done with our FACTS system, (no need to send cash in). I will process accounts on the first of every month. Then send home a copy of your invoice, payments can be made on FACTS and due date is the 15th of every month. You also have the choice of having automatic payments from your FACTS account for incidental's. Any Questions just give me a call.



**2020-2021 Feelin' Good Mileage Club**



The Feelin' Good Mileage Club provides the opportunity for all of our students, grades PreK through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, to walk for fitness.

**Kroger Community Rewards**




Did you know that you can earn money for the school (which keeps our tuition low!) by simply linking St. Edward School (R6900) to your Kroger card?

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**BOX TOPS**



*Box tops cut from products can no longer be accepted at the school.*

*But the great news is we can still have our families help! How?*

*All you need is your phone and the All-New Box Tops app.*

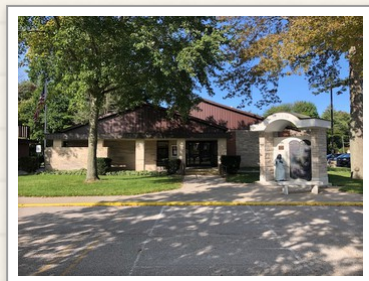
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