

THE WOLFPACK WORD

Redemptorist St. Gerard School, Est. 1945



IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 1: Mass for Feast of the Immaculate Conception at Noon

Nov. 3: Honor Roll Assembly

Nov. 7: All forms and money due for World's Finest Chocolate

Nov. 13-17: Thanksgiving Food Drive

Nov. 13: Progress Reports go home

Nov. 15: Donuts for Dad 7:15-8:00am; Sweatshirt Orders Due

Nov. 20-24: Thanksgiving Break (No School!!)

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2017

“Cultivating Scholars with Pride and Passion”

Happy Thanksgiving!

November is a time to be thankful for all the blessings that have been bestowed upon us. Our community of Redemptorist St. Gerard takes time out during this month to give thanks to God for his blessings and to help others in need during this time of year. I wish all of our families, students, faculty, and staff a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday! Here is my prayer of blessing to you:

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace:

We thank you for the gift of life:

for the breath that sustains life,

for the food of this earth that nurtures life,

for the love of family and friends without which there would be no life.

We thank you for the mystery of creation:

for the beauty that the eye can see,

for the joy that the ear may hear,

for the unknown that we cannot behold filling the universe with wonder,

for the expanse of space that draws us beyond the definitions of our selves.

We thank you for this day: for life and one more day to love,

for opportunity and one more day to work for justice and peace,

for neighbors and one more person to love and by whom be loved,

for your grace and one more experience of your presence,

for your promise: to be with us, to be our God, and to give salvation.

For these, and all blessings,

we give you thanks, eternal, loving God,

through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.



thankful
&
blessed



NO SCHOOL on Nov. 20-24

The school will be closed the week of Nov. 20-24 for Thanksgiving Break!

IMPORTANT EVENTS AT RSG THIS MONTH:

World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser

Our World's Finest Chocolate Fundraiser will end Nov. 3rd. All forms and money are due back to school by **Tuesday, Nov. 7th**. Parents are required to pick up your child's order on either Thursday, Nov. 16th or Friday, Nov. 17th between 7:00am-3:00pm. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Wiles by calling the school office or emailing (awiles@resbr.org). All of the prize redemptions will take place after Thanksgiving Break.

Progress Reports for 2nd 9-Weeks

Progress Reports will be sent home on Monday, Nov. 13th. Please sign and return the form by Wednesday, Nov. 15th.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

It is often at Thanksgiving that we remember those that are less fortunate than us and are in need. This year, we are collecting food for the Battered Woman's Shelter in our North Baton Rouge community. Students are asked to bring in one item during the week of Nov. 13-17th. All items should be non-perishable, such as canned goods, pasta, macaroni and cheese, cereal, crackers, rice, etc. We will have a Thanksgiving prayer service on Friday, Nov. 17th to bless the food.

Donuts with Dad

On Wednesday, Nov. 15th, we will have a breakfast treat for the male-role models of our students. Fathers, grandfathers, uncles, or any male role model is welcome to join their child for donuts and juice from 7:15-8:00am on Nov. 15th. Please see the flyer included in this newsletter and return the bottom portion if you or a relative plans to attend with your child. If you have any questions, contact Ruth Oliver at roliver@resbr.org.



REMINDERS FOR PARENTS

Sweatshirt Order Forms are Due by Nov. 15th

Our second order for sweatshirts are due by Nov. 15th. Please note that we do have Youth XS size for the little ones; if you would like to see the different sizes, stop by our school office. The order form is located on our webpage (at the bottom of our homepage); payment is due with the returned order form.

Parent Service Hours

Parents are required to complete 20 service hours for the 2017-2018 school year. According to our handbook:

*Redemptorist parents Pre-K thru 8th grade are expected to be active and involved. We have a special service hour binder in the office that parents must sign to receive credit. **NO credit will be received if parents do not sign in the office. Parents (or grandparents or older siblings) are asked to give 20 hours of service to the school each year.** The remaining hours can be fulfilled in other ways. The Home and School Association will offer service hour opportunities as well that can begin as early as July 5, 2017, to count toward the current school year. Other service hour opportunities include landscaping, painting, cleaning, maintenance, tutoring, helping on field trips/activities, substituting, working athletic events, and donating paper (1 ream of paper = 2 service hours). **Service providers should fill the binder in the office to document their volunteerism.***

Pre-K4 -8th grade parents who do not complete ALL 20 volunteer hours by May 1st will be assessed a \$100.00 fee. The service hour fee is based on hours of work not performed or not reported.

If you would like to give reams of paper as your service hours (1 ream of paper = 2 service hours), please bring the paper to the office and fill out the appropriate form with the school secretary.

Other opportunities for Service Hours in November:

Nov. 17th: 9am-12pm Processing World's Finest Chocolate Orders (call the school office or email Ms. Wiles at awiles@resbr.org to sign up)

Pre-K4:
Wanda Moore
Yolanda Williams

Kindergarten:
Amy Brown
Elaine Soileau

1st Grade:
Chantel Terrell

2nd Grade:
Lakisha Collins

3rd Grade:
Lolita Duperon
Pamela Gauthier

4th – 8th Grade:
Ruth Oliver (Math)
Lisa East (Math)
Delores McClay (ELA)
Catherel Barber (ELA)
Vonetta Harris (Science)
Sha-reka Alridge (Social Studies)

Religion:
Cassandra Will

Art:
Jonovan Duvold

PE:
Brittany Percell

Contact Information

It is very important that we have your up-to-date information in order to contact you in case of an emergency. If any information has changed since you filled out the pink contact sheets, please call the front office to update your information.

Also, only the emergency contacts on the pink contact sheet are able to pick up your child from school. If you would like to add or remove someone from that list, please send a note with your child of the changes that you would like with the emergency contact's information. We must have written notice in order to change this on your form.

RSG Spirit Wear

Please check out our new Spirit Wear items that we currently have. See the flyer in this newsletter. For more information, contact Ms. Wiles at resbr.org

Headmaster: Viewing your child's grades online

In order for you to view your child's grades online, you must have an email address. If you did not put an email address on your pink contact sheet, you will not be able to receive the information to set up your account to view your child's grades online. You **MUST** have an email address to view your child's grades online. If you need to update that information on your contact sheet, please email Ms. Wiles at awiles@resbr.org with your new email address.

The parent accounts have finally been successfully set up. You will receive a letter this week with your ID and Password. Only parents will have access to the grades; students will not receive an ID or Password. A link will be posted on our homepage under "For Parents" (at the very top right-hand corner of the webpage) that will direct you to the Headmaster log-in page.

If you have questions or issues with Headmaster, please contact Ruth Oliver at roliver@resbr.org or call the school office.

School Updates—Check out our website!

Please check our website for updated information. Our website can be accessed at www.rsgbr.org. Important information can be found there, such as:

- School calendar (located under "Calendar" tab)
- Parent/Student Handbook (located at the bottom of our school homepage)
- November Events calendar
- RSG Spirit Wear

Please also visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/redemptoriststgerard which will have a feed of events and happenings at the school. Please "Like" the page to follow us. More info to come about our twitter page #3655strives!

Thank you for Family Night!

Thank you to all of the families that attended our Fall Family Night! I hope to see more of you at our Spring Family Night! Those that did attend Family Night, please see the letter that was sent home to you.

Change in the Uniform for Girls

With the cold weather approaching, I have decided to allow girls to wear khaki pants as part of their daily uniform. Please make sure that the pants are not too tight and are appropriate for school wear.

Honor Roll for 1st 9-Weeks

Congratulations to the following students for their hard work during the 1st 9-weeks! All of the students below were recognized at an Honor Roll Assembly and given certificates for their achievements.

Academic Honors (3.0-3.49 GPA)

1st Grade: Garrett Butler, Gavin Camel

2nd Grade: Dawnesha Brown, Bobby Crockett, Preston Hall, Christopher Hebert, Tony James, Lathyn Thomas, Arthur White, Kielan White

3rd Grade: Amiyah Anderson, Malaya Barrow, Rickey Lawrence, Harmony Prioleau, Steven Canales, Jasmine Bryant, Kameron Pearl, Kiresten Walker, Daniyah Wells

4th Grade: Alexander Bell, Marcos Caloca-Hayes, Trinity Cobb, Kingston George, Jazmyn Selvage, Emani Walker, Lainlin Washington, Denisia Wells, Treyden Houston, Karmyn Thomas, Jordan Clark-Bryant, Arniya Victorian, Mikenzie Wells

5th Grade: Ja'Kiya Beleziane, Geordan Taylor, Mychelle Williams

6th Grade: Gerrick Camel, Yoshi Thompson, Nicholas Wells

7th Grade: Javion Allen, Da'Marquis London

8th Grade: Jahbari Dunbar, MaKiya Jones, Janteriea Riley, Ralaina Walker

High Honors (3.5-3.99 GPA)

1st Grade: Erik Joseph, R'Braya Martin, A'Khaiyah Taylor, Aleecia Watson, Daylon Williams, Bayete Willson

2nd Grade: Amarya Davis, Charles Guy, Justin Nolasco, Trevon Richardson, Genesis Sparks, Jammiya Walker, Vincent Wiggins

3rd Grade: A'Kera Franklin-Gordan, Persia Johnson, London Webster-Butler, Mahaylia Williams, Anthony Carr, Asia Carroll, Jetonyia James, Destiny Winfield

4th Grade: Bryiana Augustus, Amber Barnes, Christian Clark, Kethan Parker, Isaiah Stokes

5th Grade: Donovan Hollier

6th Grade: Zakiya Dorsey

8th Grade: Kinan Calhoun, Cierra Rucker, Leah Tansiel

Principal Honors (4.0 GPA)

1st Grade: Karlie Jackson, Cymone Lyles

2nd Grade: Tylan Bessie, Kirsten Harrison

5th Grade: Morgan Huey, Kierra Parker, La'Miya Perkins