



From The Principal's Desk

October 20th, 2023

Important Dates Coming Up

- **10/27 - Halloween Gala:** The gala will take place on Friday, October 27th. Tickets will be on sale starting next week in the school office. The cost will be \$5.00 per person. You **must buy them ahead of time**. Tickets **will not** be available at the door.
- **10/28 - Truck or Treat:** The truck or Treat will take place on Saturday, October 28th in the school parking lot. Please see the form included in this email, if you would like to register your car for this event *The event is free to attend for our students!*
- **11/3 - Picture Day:** Fall picture today will take place in the cafeteria. This is in school uniform.
- **11/10 – Fall Dinner:** Our “Flannel and Friends” Fall Dinner will take place on Friday, November 10th. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Diana Brum at 774-930-9855, Michelle Demelo at 774-451-6829, or by submitting a [ticket order form](#) to the school office.
- **PTO Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting will be on Thursday, 10/26 @ 6pm, to set up for the Halloween Gala. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, 11/6 at 6pm. All are welcome!

New Announcements

Christmas Wreath Fundraiser: A special thank you to Mrs. Cyr for this opportunity. We are running a Christmas Wreath fundraiser. If you are interested in order a Christmas wreath, please submit your order between now and November 15th. (See flyer below)

November Lunch Menu: The November lunch menus can be found here: <https://www.espiritasantoschool.org/helpful-links/> (Please note that November 7th is Election Day in Fall River, and the Fall River Public Schools are closed. However, they will be making bagged lunches for us that day.)

Sponsors for the Fall Dinner: Do you know of a local business that would be willing to sponsor our Fall Dinner event? If so, please use the following sponsorship form: <http://www.espiritasantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2023-ESS-Sponsorship-Letter.pdf>

Announcements from Prior Memos

CYFL Futsal: If your student would like to play CYFL Futsal, and you haven't registered, please do so ASAP. It is \$100 per student, or \$165 per family. Checks made payable to New England Sports Promotion. The form to register can be found here: <http://www.espiritasantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/CYFL-Registration-Form.pdf>

Save the Date for the Christmas Play: I have locked down a date for the Christmas Play! It will take place on December 20th, at the Bishop Connolly Campus. More information to come later!



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Traffic Concerns: We have experienced some traffic backups in and around the school. In order to reduce these issues, please review the following information. It is also important that you share this information with those who may drop-off, or pick-up your child from school.

- It is very important that cars **do not block** traffic on Alden Street, Boutwell Street or neighboring side streets before the gates open. **The gates open in the afternoon at 2:15pm.** Parking is allowed in the church parking lot, or on streets that allow parking. Also, please be respectful to our neighbors. I received a call from the owner of Acoreana Market on Alden Street, complaining of parents parking in their lot, and also blocking access to their lot. Please note that the police have been notified of this.
- For morning drop-off, once you are along the side of the building, please allow your student to exit the vehicle and walk up the path to the door. This will allow for the flow of traffic to continue, and also for the timely entry of the students.
- For afternoon pick-up, upon entering the parking lot, cars **must pull all the way down the parking lot.** Parents are to exit their vehicle and walk to the area near the door to pick up their student. Students are not allowed to walk across the parking lot by themselves. Cars can't stop in the middle of the parking lot. This will cause backups, and will lead to traffic blockage on Alden Street. Lastly, Grades K-3 leave at 2:20pm, and Grades 4-8 leave at 2:30pm; please plan your arrival time accordingly.
- Lastly, parking is not permitted in front of the school during school operation. Please note the signs that are posted on Everett Street. Thank you for your cooperation!

Uniform Policy: Please be sure that your student is dressed according to the uniform policy. It can be reviewed here: <http://www.espiritossantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/Uniform-Policy-2023-2024.pdf> Please note that uniforms are only allowed from Donnelly's & Advanced Embroidery ([Link](#)). Custom made items are not permitted.

When Your Student is Sick: Please call the school at 508-672-2229 to notify the school of your student absence. You can leave a voicemail in the general mailbox.

Refillable Water Bottles: We have a bottle fill station at the school for students to use. Please send your student with a refillable water bottle, so they may have water during the school day. *Glass bottles are not allowed.*

CORIs: If you are a new parent, or a returning parent who would like to volunteer for field trips this year, you must complete the CORI process, along with the Safe Environment Training. Please see the links below. You may complete these forms, and forward them to the school office.

- [CORI Form \(updated 5/2023\)](#) (Please provide front/back copy of License/ID/Passport)
- [Code of Conduct](#)
- [Safe Environment Training](#) (Please provide copies of both certificates, which include Safe Environment Training and 51a Training)

Reminder about Snacks/Lunch from Home: Please be advised that snacks from home, as well as lunches brought from home must be free of peanut or tree nuts, per the student/parent handbook.



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TRUNK or TREAT

ESPIRITO SANTO SCHOOL PARKING LOT

EVENT: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 AT 6:00-7:30 PM

Decorate your vehicle up and come join the fun! Trunk or Treat is a fun and safe place for families to spend a night together! Families from Espirito Santo School will decorate their cars in themes, then fill their trunks with lots of yummy candy and treats! Families stroll from car to car looking at all the decorated vehicles and collect candy and treats.

Vehicle owners must complete the vehicle registration form to participate. FEE FOR REGISTRATION IS \$25.00, must be included with register form. Once form AND payment is received, you will be getting a copy of your form with your reserved spot.

RULES OF THE ROAD for REGISTERED VEHICLES

1. Only those who have properly registered their vehicles by Wednesday, October 18th will be allowed to participate at this event.
2. Pre-registered vehicles may arrive at the School Parking Lot beginning at 4:30pm. All trunks must be decorated and staffed by 5:30pm, the event begins at 6:00pm.
3. Each vehicle will provide their own treats and must bring their own generators if they need it to use one to decorate their vehicles.
4. Registered vehicles must stay at the event until the event ends at 7:30pm. For safety purposes, vehicles will not be allowed to leave the parking lot until the event is over.



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VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM

EVENT: TRUNK OR TREAT

WHEN: SATURDAY OCTOBER 28, 2023 AT 6:00PM

TRUNK SET UP AT 4:30-5:30PM

WHERE: SCHOOL PARKING LOT

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION

NAME: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE (Car, Trunk, SUV): _____

I agree to follow the rules of the road for Trunk or Treat 2023. I also authorize use of my name and picture of my child to be released for use in event coverage.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

This form AND payment must be returned to SCHOOL by Wednesday, October 18, 2023.

The first 50 forms are guaranteed a spot. Fee is \$25.00 per vehicle.



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Espirito Santo School

HOLIDAY WREATH
fundraiser

October 15 - November 15

\$25.00 PER WREATH

RESERVE YOUR WREATHS ANYTIME BETWEEN OCT 15 - NOV 15
MUST BE PAID IN FULL AT TIME OF ORDER
CAN BE ORDERED THROUGH SCHOOL OR CONTACT SCHOOL
ARAPOS0@ES.DFRCS.OR OR CCYR@ES.DFRS.ORG

16" Fresh Balsam Fir double faced wreaths with Red velvet bow
Delivery starting December 1