

From the Principal's Desk

April 30th, 2023

New Announcements

Bake Sale to Benefit the 8th Grade: There will be a bake sale after all masses this coming weekend (May 6th and 7th) to benefit the 8th grade class to defray the cost of their end of the year trip. If you would like to make something to sell at the bake sale, please contact me.

Raffle Calendars: This week, our annual raffle calendars will be going out. This fundraiser was very successful last year, and we hope for the same this time around. Each calendar will be \$10, and will be sold during the month of May. There will be a cash prize drawing each day in June. All money raised will be invested into additional security for our school. Keep an eye out for the email/letter early this week!

1st Communion: Please keep our 1st Communion students in your prayers, as they prepare to make their 1st communion this weekend!

MAP Testing: The spring session of MAP testing will begin on May 8th, and will be completed over the course of three weeks. Once testing is complete, parents will receive reports on their students' progress.

Next School Mass: Our next school mass will be on Friday, May 12th, at 10:00am, which will be hosted by Grade 2.

Scholastic Book Fair: Our next Scholastic Book Fair will be Monday, May 15th – Friday, May 19th. It will be a Buy One, Get One Free (BOGO) fair! More information to come next week.

Save the Dates for Field Day: Our school field days are tentatively scheduled for May 31st and June 1st (with rain dates of 6/7 & 6/8). Ms. Felizberto and I will be reaching out to parents in the near future for those who want to volunteer. *Please note that you must have completed the Essential Three Process (CORI, Code of Conduct & Safe Environment Training) in order to volunteer.* Additional information to come!

Chocolate Bar Sale: All chocolate bar money should be returned at this point. Please call the office if you have any questions.

Parking Reminder: Fall River Parking Enforcement has been around the school during dismissal recently. Please do not park in front of the school, or in front of any of the driveways.

Announcements from Prior Memos

Re-Registration Forms (2023/2024): If you have not returned your re-registration form to the office, please do so by Monday. If you need an additional copy, please let me know.

FACE Applications for 2023-2024 (Grades K-8): Begin the application here, and upload your documents: <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/3GHM8>

Reminder about Drinks: Recently, there has been a rise of sugary and/or energy-type drinks coming into school. *Please be reminded that these drinks are not allowed in school*, and are also not good for young people. This include the new “Prime” drinks. We have a refillable bottle station for students to use. They may use a refillable plastic or metal bottle to do so. We appreciate your cooperation.

Reminders from the School Nurse: (Contact Nurse Carrier at scarrier@es.dfrcs.org)

- 1) Students who require medication during the school day must have a doctor’s order.
- 2) Please call the school to report your child’s absence from school.
- 3) If your student is out for three days, a doctor’s note is required in order for them to return.
- 4) Please remember that if your student has a fever or vomiting, they must remain home for 24 hours, and must be symptom free.

Reminder about Birthdays – From the Student/Parent Handbook: Birthday parties are more appropriately held at home. If you wish, you may deliver **individually packaged snacks** to be served at snack time or at a time determined by the teacher and at the Principal’s discretion. We ask that you notify the school ahead of time by calling the school nurse. All snacks must be peanut-free/nut free, and it must be on the label. Please contact the school nurse regarding this.

Setting Up Grade Alerts on Gradelink: Here is a helpful guide on how to setup Parent Alerts via Gradelink. This will help you keep track of your students’ progress. ([Link](#)) You can also download the Gradelink app! ([Link](#))

Building Our Alumni Database: We are starting a new initiative here to connect with the great number of alumni that have attended Espirito Santo School. It is our hope to connect with them and extend our reach beyond our walls. To start this process, a Google Form has been established so we may begin to collect this information. This will also be shared on social media. If you are an alumni of the school, please fill it out! Link to Alumni Google Form: <https://forms.gle/9ghuWQz6oXUGM4vh9>

Uniform Policy: It can be found here: <http://www.espiritosantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/Uniform-Policy-2022-2023.pdf>