

From the Principal's Desk

May 11th, 2023

New Announcements

CORI Process: Thank you to those who have submitted their CORIs for the various field trips coming up. Please be reminded that the CORIs do take some time to process. Please be sure that all parts are completed before submission. If you are unsure of your CORI status, please send me an email, and I can verify that with you. Please be advised that without an approved CORI, individuals are not allowed to volunteer, or be a part of a school related activity (like field day) or field trips. This is a Diocesan policy, and it is to ensure the protection of our children. If you have any questions, please contact me directly. I appreciate your understanding and cooperation!

Here are the links for the CORIs:

- [CORI Acknowledgement Form](#)
- [Diocesan Code of Conduct](#)
- [Safe Environment Training](#) (Please provide a copy of the training certificate)
- Please provide a copy of the **front & back** of your license.

Field Day (Message from Ms. Felizberto): With field day right around the corner, I am asking for donations of small bottles of water that we can have available for the kids for both Wednesday's field day and Thursday's field day. Water is best for the kids. Any donations can be dropped off with the kids when they come into school.

If you would like to volunteer on those days, please note that you must have completed the Essential Three Process (CORI, Code of Conduct & Safe Environment Training) in order to volunteer. As we get closer to those dates, I will be taking food orders from the kids, and I will also share the schedules for the activities. **(Please contact Mr. Raposo regarding your CORI status.)**

Congratulations! Through our art classes, our students participated in a Lions Club Peace Poster contest. I'm happy to share that five of our students were selected as winners!! Congratulations to Thalia in Grade 5, Liam in Grade 4, Abigail in Grade 4, Addison in Grade 8 and Ella in Grade 8! They will be receiving gift cards for their winning entries, and the art work will be displayed at Government Center. We are so proud of you!

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! We will also have a community night for parents on Tuesday, May 16th, from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. Enter via the PS/PK doors for this community night. Thank you for supporting literacy!

Raffle Calendars: Our raffle calendar fundraiser is off to a hot start! If you need additional copies, please call the school office. Thank you for your participation in this fundraiser. Your efforts will help continue to improve our school!

Next School Mass: Our next school mass will be on Thursday, May 18th, at 10:00am, hosted by Grade 4. All are welcomed to attend!

Tentative Start of School for 2023-2024: The school calendar for next year is being worked on. However, the tentative start of school for the 2023/2024 school year is *August 29th, 2023*. More information to come in the coming weeks.

MAP Testing: The spring session of MAP testing will continue next week. Once testing is complete, parents will receive reports on their students' progress.

Announcements from Prior Memos

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.

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.factsmtg.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>