

# St. John Berchmans School Herald

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## Parent-Teacher Conferences

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Friday Oct 19-End of the first 9 weeks
- ◆ Thursday Oct 25-8<sup>th</sup> grade Haunted House and Dance
- ◆ Friday Oct 26-Teacher In-service (No School)
- ◆ Monday Oct 29-Parent/Teacher Conferences (No School)
- ◆ Wednesday Oct 31-Halloween parade
- ◆ Friday Nov 2-Faculty meeting (Early Dismissal)
- ◆ Monday Nov 5-School Council meeting; 6:00
- ◆ Wednesday Nov 7-Parent Lunch

### What is a Parent-Teacher conference?

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled to be an exchange of ideas about your child's activities, habits, experiences, and achievements.

Parents are requested to make a special effort to meet during the scheduled times.

### The conference - what to expect:

Your child's teacher could discuss your child's school progress, such as:

- ability to do classwork
- specific information on performance in academic areas and how your child is doing in relation to class standards
- samples of class work
- the books and materials your child is using
- information on your child's special interests and abilities

The teacher could also discuss your child's social progress, such as:

- relationships with others
- behavior in and out of class

The teacher may share observations which could be helpful to your child (hearing, seeing, etc.) or may have suggestions or ideas you can use at home to help your child in school. The teacher may also suggest other resources such as reading material on a topic of interest

### Helpful hints

- Please be on time. Try to follow the schedule which has been set up.
- Call the school if a last minute emergency prevents you from coming at the scheduled time.
- Check with your child's teacher about arranging a special conference time if the times and dates are difficult for you and your schedule.
- Please keep in mind the parent-teacher conference is scheduled to exchange information about your child and the curriculum at the grade level. The parent-teacher conference is not the time for a general discussion of educational philosophy, nor is it the time to discuss the ability, style or program of another teacher.

## Thank You, Thank You!

We would like to give a huge thank you to all the parents that gave of their time and talents to come and decorate doors for our *Spirit Week!* They all look absolutely beautiful and you are all so creative.

The students have enjoyed decorating their shirts and making their spirit items. We are truly a family.

A couple of parents have volunteered to help update our website. You can't

imagine how grateful I am for your help. There are always a million things to take care of and every little bit helps. Again, many thanks to all the parents, grandparents and family members that have contributed to our school.



## Meditation

"Keep praying and do not lose heart"

And he told them a parable, to the effect that they ought always to pray and not lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor regarded man; and there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, 'Vindicate me against my adversary.' For a while he refused; but afterward he said to himself, 'Though I neither fear God nor regard man, yet because this widow bothers me, I will vindicate her, or she will wear me out by her continual coming.'" And the Lord said, "Hear what the unrighteous judge says. And will not God vindicate his elect, who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long over them? I tell you, he will vindicate them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

*Luke 18:1-8*

*October 15-21*

### *Birthdays*

<i>Braulio Reyes</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>Diego Hernandez</i>	<i>10/15</i>
<i>Sabrina Perez</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Derek Davila</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Annalisa Aguilar</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Tregn Fields</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Christopher Villar</i>	<i>10/18</i>
<i>Mason Bekken</i>	<i>10/19</i>

## Thanksgiving Dinner

We will be having our annual Thanksgiving dinner on Wednesday, Nov 14. The tickets for the dinner will go on sale next week. The cost of the dinner is \$5.50 a plate. The plate will include turkey, mashed potatoes, green beans, stuffing, bread and tea. There will also be dessert for sale. You can come on the 14<sup>th</sup> just like you do for parent lunch. Please let us know ahead of time if you are attending so we can prepare enough dinners.

## Piano Lessons

There will be a former student coming to the Wednesday mass to play for us. His name is Alex McCumba. He will also be available to teach piano lessons. If you are interested in having your child take piano lessons you can contact Alex at 433-0411.

We are also looking at having someone come and teach guitar lessons. We do have a few guitars available for use. We will let you know when we can schedule guitar lessons.

## Halloween Dance and Haunted House

Don't forget the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Haunted House and Dance on Thursday, Oct 25. The 8<sup>th</sup> graders have been selling tickets during the lunch periods, the tickets are \$2.00 pre-sell and \$3.00 at the door for the dance and \$1.00 for the Haunted House. It should be a great time and it helps them raise money for their end of year trip. For parents the admission is \$3.00 at the door.



***Congratulations to Noah Villa who won the first early bird drawing. He receives an MP3 player and his parents receive one month of free tuition!***

# SPORTS NEWS

## FLAG FOOTBALL PRACTICE

The Flag football team plays against Holy Name at the St. John Berchmans field at 12:00pm on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

## KIDS LEAGUE SOCCER

The schedule for this Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> is as follows:

PK team play against Carver at 12:00am at CASA field #1

1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade play against CASA at 12:00pm at CASA field #2.

Kinder team play against CASA at New Life Christian Academy at 11:00pm.

3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade play against CASA at CASA field #3 at 12:00pm.

## CHEERLEADERS

The cheerleaders practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30pm to 6:45pm.

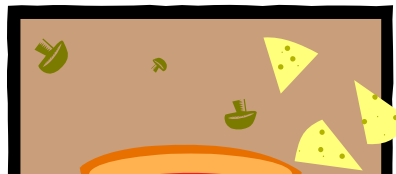
The dance team practices on Mondays and Tuesdays from 3:30pm-4:30pm. The Pep Squad practices on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3:30pm-4:30pm.

## NACHO SALE

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be selling Nachos during all lunches and after school from October 22<sup>nd</sup> until November 7<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will be used to buy turkeys for the community of St. John Berchmans Catholic Church. Thank you for your support.



The rules of soccer are very simple, basically it is this: if it moves, kick it. If it doesn't move, kick it until it does.  
- Phil Woosnam



We are on the web:  
[www.stjohnberchmans.com/school/](http://www.stjohnberchmans.com/school/)

**VISITOR SIGN IN**  
Please remember to sign in when you are picking up a child. The teachers will not release a student unless the office has notified them. We are responsible for the accountability of the students and we need your help and cooperation.