



STAR NEWS

FROM THE ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DE LA SALLE SCHOOL

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"Always show cheerfulness in your face."

- St. John Baptist De La Salle

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The faculty and staff of The De La Salle School astound me with their enthusiasm and dedication as they continue to do their very best to ensure that your sons have the necessary tools to succeed and to grow their faith and spiritual lives. As we move forward with the school year, please be assured of our continued efforts to provide your sons with our best efforts and nurturing, so that he knows that he is a unique and talented creation of a loving God.

This month begins with a celebration of all the saints and a remembrance of our deceased loved ones. Both of these occasions offer our students occasions for prayer and reflection. The month will conclude with our country's traditional time of giving thanks and our students will have the chance to enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the members of our staff. As we observe Thanksgiving let us also remember all the people whose generosity makes it possible for us to offer a quality human and Christian education here at The De La Salle School

Our Extended Day Program gives your son the opportunity to continue his academic success by offering him homework assistance. It is also an opportunity for him to participate in some sporting activities, a music program as well as many games of skill. The Extended Day Program runs Monday thru Thursday, 3:30-5:00 PM for a very reasonable fee of \$40.00 per month. It is a wonderful program that I would encourage all of the students to participate in

Wishing all of our families a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving! **Smile God Loves You!**

Sincerely

Mr. William L. Gault
Executive Director



*"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever."
Psalm 107:*

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Fall has finally arrived in all its colors, glow and beauty. It took longer than usual for the weather to indicate we have changed seasons. So now it seems we are ready for sweaters and sweatshirts, heavier coats, and maybe gloves! Actually, it is rather refreshing and the colors that accompany the change of seasons are beautiful. We give thanks to our Lord during this time of year for all the many blessings He gives us.

Parent teacher conferences will be held the evening of 8 November from 5:30-7:30 PM and the afternoon of 9 November from 1:00-2:15 PM. Report cards will be distributed by the homeroom teachers during these times. A conference time scheduling sheet will be posted outside each teacher's classroom for you to set-up the time that is best for you to meet with your child's teacher. The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you and your son to discuss his progress. Your attendance at this conference is important, and shows your son how important his education is to you. If you are unable to attend Parent Teacher conferences, please call the main office (516-379-8660) to schedule an appointment to meet with me.

Our Annual Thanksgiving Feast for the students is Tuesday 21 November. The feast gives the staff an opportunity to show their gratitude to the students for all their hard work, kindness and respectful manners. It also gives us an opportunity to share a meal together and pray together, as a family, to thank God for all our blessings.

As we enter this holiday season, I want to take a minute to thank you for entrusting your son to our care and I remind you that I am here to work with you as your child grows academically, spiritually, and socially. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any concerns or questions.

God bless,

Mrs. Jeanmarie Becker
Principal



CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN

The following students were honored as Gentlemen of the Week during the month of October: **Danny Bonilla '21, Braylan Espinal '21, Kelvin Lopez '21, and Jostin Lamar '21.**

IMPORTANT DATES

Parent-teacher conferences are **Wednesday, 8 November** from 5:30 PM until 7:30 PM and **Thursday, 9 November** from 1:00 PM until 2:15 PM. Your son is to come with you to receive his first quarter report card. There will be no extended day to accommodate these conferences



School will be open on election day **Tuesday, 7 November.**

Dismissal on **Thursday, 9 November** is at 11:30 AM. Be sure transportation is arranged!



School is closed **Friday, 10 November** for Veterans Day. We honor all the men and women who have served and are now serving in the U. S. armed forces. At this troubling time in our world, let us keep in our prayers all those who serve our nation.

Our annual Thanksgiving Feast is **Tuesday, 21 November.** All of the staff will cook a traditional turkey dinner and serve it for lunch that day.



In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, school will dismiss at 11:30 on **Wednesday, 22 November** and will be closed on **Thursday, 24 November** and **Friday, 25 November.**

Coming Next Month-Get Ready!

Thursday, 14 December – Hot Cocoa and Book Night at 6:30 PM

Wednesday, 20 December – Advent Prayer Service at 2:00 PM – Our Holy Redeemer Church

Thursday, 21 December – International Luncheon



← We mailed a collection of box tops worth over \$250. Thanks to all who are clipping, saving, and sending in those scraps of paper or plastic. Keep them coming! **Our goal this year is \$1,000.** We can do it!!

Pray for Vocations

Next week, 5-11 November is National Vocation Awareness Week. We need Priests, Deacons, Brothers, and Sisters to serve God's people. The De La Salle School would not exist if the De La Salle Christian Brothers did not exist! Visit www.BrothersVocation.com to learn more about the process for becoming a Brother.

How would you react if your son said he wanted to be a Priest or a Brother?



\$\$ PARENTAL PAYMENT REMINDER \$\$

Your payment of your share of your son's tuition for December is due this Friday, 3 November. Do not fall behind in meeting this obligation. All payments for September, October, November and December should have been received by the office and be up to date no later than Friday. Extended day payments should also be up to date. Contact Mr. Gault if you wish to discuss special arrangements.

We return to Eastern Standard Time on **Sunday 5 November.** Remember to set you clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night.

