



Dear Parents and Guardians,

October 16, 2020

I hope you had a great week. This week's Friday Note has important reminders and announcements. As always, feel free to email me with any questions, concerns, or ideas.

***Congratulations...*** Our students did a great job participating in our Hispanic Heritage Month Kahoot game!

Primary Level Winner: Kindergarten  
Elementary Level Winner: Grade Four  
Middle School Level Winner: Grade Six

Again, kudos to Senoras Bunker and Garcia, Ms. Tracy, and our media club for all of their hard work making daily videos. Well-done!

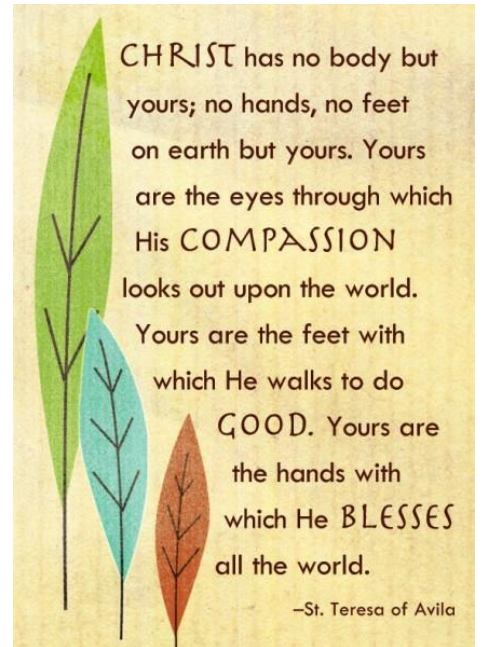
***Holiday...*** There is no school on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day/ Indigenous Peoples' Day.

***End of Quarter...*** Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> is the last day of the first quarter. Report Cards will be distributed on Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

***No School...*** St. Anthony will be closed on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. It is an archdiocesan professional development day.

***Save the Date...*** You and your children are invited to join the first ever St. Anthony "Boo Drive Thru." We may have to be socially distant, but that doesn't mean we can't have some Halloween fun. On Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30 PM you can get all dressed up in your favorite Halloween costume and drive thru our trick or treat route. You will be able to see teachers and staff as they pass out candy to students in the car as they drive by. We hope you will join us! Contact the office if you would like to donate candy or other treats.

***Pumpkin Decorating Contest...*** We invite all students to participate in our first virtual pumpkin decorating contest. Students can paint, dress up, and/ or carve any size pumpkin. Attached to this email is a flyer with other details and a link for online submission. Individual pumpkin photos will be posted on Facebook where each "like" will count as a vote. We hope you will join the fun!



**Dress Code...** Students are required to wear a St. Anthony top during distance learning—red polo, white Peter Pan or Oxford button down, PE, and Spirit t-shirts are all acceptable.

**Principal Chats...** Join me on Zoom every Tuesday from 8:30-9:00 AM and 12:00-12:30 PM. The same link will be used each week. All are welcome.

**Spirit Friday...** Students are encouraged to wear their Spirit T-shirt and jeans on Friday! Please note distance learning ends at 12:30 PM each Friday.

**Friday Exchange ...** This is an opportunity for families to pick up packets and/ or materials for the next week's distance learning. This is also an opportunity for families to drop off materials, assignments, etc. The hours are 8-10AM and 2-4:PM. Tables will be set outside of the main office.

### *Looking Ahead*

The holidays are a time for family gatherings and special events. For many this may involve traveling or receiving guests from out of town. To protect all students, faculty, and staff we will make adjustments to our schedule surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks.



**Thanksgiving Break is November 25-29.** Classes resume on Monday, November 30. In an abundance of caution, all classes will be virtual the week of November 30-December 4. No students will be in the building the week we return from break. The Benedictine Scholars Program will also be closed for the week.

**Christmas Break is December 21- January 3.** Classes resume on Monday, January 4, 2021. In an abundance of caution, all classes will be virtual the week of January 4-8. No students will be in the building the week we return from break. The Benedictine Scholars Program will also be closed for the week.

Packet pick-up is scheduled for Tuesday, November 24<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. More details to follow.

**Social Media...** If you are connected on social media we ask that you “follow us” and help us spread the good news of a St. Anthony education. You are invited to email me distance learning photos for use on Facebook and Twitter. **@STA\_Brookland**



Have a great weekend.  
Peace,  
Mr. Thomasian

*Proudly celebrating our 97<sup>th</sup> year!*