



KidMail

October 27, 2021

Dear MGC Family,

Halloween has always been my favorite time of year. This year at MGC, students will bring home a special art project! Ask them about their pumpkins. I know teachers have some fun activities planned this week, but just a reminder that students are not to bring candy or treats to school to pass out, and that Halloween costumes are not allowed during the school day.

Check out the source below for some important safety information regarding trick or treating this year. Learn about traffic safety, COVID friendly tips, proper supervision, and more:

<https://kidshealth.org/en/parents/halloween.html>

I hope everyone has a safe and fun Halloween!

Thank you for all your support and cooperation during these challenging times! As always, feel free to contact me via phone or email (johnston@mgcparish.org) with any questions, concerns, or feedback.

In Faith,
Rachel Johnston
Principal

Dates of Importance

Oct. 28 – 11:30 Dismissal, Parent Teacher Conferences afternoon and evening
Oct. 29 – Conferences, no school
Nov. 5 – 8th Grade testing
Nov. 24-26 – Thanksgiving Vacation, no school
Nov. 30 – End of Trimester 1



Conferences

Parents/guardians, if you have not signed up for conferences, please contact your child's teacher as soon as possible. These conferences are mandatory. Students who have unscheduled conferences with their teacher will not be allowed to return to school on **Monday, November 1, 2021**. *All conferences are to be virtual or by phone.* **Thursday, October 28** is an early dismissal day, and Friday, students do not have school.

Conferences will be held on Thursday, October 28 from 1:00-3:00 p.m., and Friday from 12:00-5:00 p.m.

Early Dismissal is as follows on Thursday:

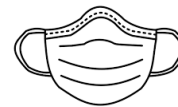
11:25 - K4, K5, 5th and 8th Grade

11:27 – 1st, 4th, and 7th Grade

11:30 – 2nd, 3rd, and 6th Grade

Mask Reminder

As masks are in high demand, our supply is running low. We ask that all students arrive at school in a clean mask each day. Proper mask wearing is also essential for keeping the virus at bay. Students are instructed to keep masks above their noses, refrain from touching them as much as possible, and to change out soiled masks. I appreciate your cooperation and support in keeping our kids safe! Thank you!



Athletics



Just a reminder for those of you who have signed up for basketball - forms are due by **Friday, November 5, 2021**. Students must have all forms and fees paid to participate. Forms can be dropped off in the main office. If you have any questions, please contact the school secretary Ms. Berthold at (414) 442-7600 extension 118.

Uniform Change

Due to the challenge of finding the plaid pattern of girls' jumpers and skirts, the School Committee has approved that navy blue jumpers and skirts to be worn in replacement or if the Douglas Plaid cannot be attained. These may be found at various stores including Target as seen on the link below.

<https://www.target.com/p/girls-uniform-woven-jumper-cat-jack-navy/-/A-53324768?preselect=53198986#lnk=sametab>

Food Drive

Thanksgiving is a time for being grateful for what we have and sharing our bounty with others. We encourage all children to bring two cans or nonperishable food items to their homerooms starting November 1. These generous donations will go to support the St. Vincent De Paul food drive. We will be collecting food from November 1 – 19. Let's see if we can't break all previous records for donated food. Please be generous!



8th Grade Testing

Eighth graders are taking Catholic high school entrance exams a week from Friday so they are not expected to be here on Friday, November 5.

ECP help needed! Currently Hiring!

Currently MGC's Extended Care Program is looking for caring and devoted people to join their team. Full and part-time opportunities are available. Requirements include a high school diploma (minimum), pursuing higher education a plus, references, and fingerprinting. Please send inquiries or resumes to **Ms. Mindy Kwiatkowski** at (414) 442-7600, extension 123, or contact her via email at kwiatkowski@mgcparish.org.

November Menu

On Monday, November will begin. The November menus are available online by following this link <https://uploads.weconnect.com/mce/e411a490148911bb6ee16beaa6f794a437b3bc9d/LunchMenu/November%202021%20Menus.pdf> or click on the word Menu on the home page of <https://www.mgcparrish.org/>

Chromebooks



You are still able to borrow Chromebooks for the school year. The deposit of \$85.00 per Chromebook is due before the Chromebook can be assigned to the student. This deposit will be returned when the Chromebook is returned and in good condition. Please let Ms. Schwartz (schwartz@mgcparrish.org) know if you want a Chromebook and when you will be picking it up.

MGC's Website

Have you checked-out MGC's website (www.mgcparrish.org)? If not, please do so. You'll find a great deal of information about our church and school. The hot lunch menu is posted there so you don't have to worry about losing yours. Current and past editions of KidMail are also posted there. There are also many great student resources available through the library page. Don't miss this great resource!



Be Kind T-Shirts



Even if you missed the picnic, you can still buy the MGC Be Kind T-Shirts. These shirts cost \$15.00 each. You don't want to miss this opportunity to be seen wearing our "theme" t-shirt on Spirit Wear Days. Thanks to a school parent for helping us make this happen.

Here is a link where you can purchase these t-shirts.

<https://www.shopjaynas.com/products/be-kind-mgc-t-shirts>.



Do You Shop on Amazon???

We bet you do! Did you know that Amazon gives money to MGC for every purchase you make IF you simply go to AmazonSmile and have chosen Mother of Good Counsel, Milwaukee as your charity. This is a great opportunity for our school to earn money without any type of fundraising. PLEASE take this simple step to assist our school in fundraising. **This is a painless way to fundraise!** We received a deposit of **\$89.00** for April – June. Just think how much money we could generate if everyone participated. AmazonSmile works just the same as Prime. Here is the link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0984894>





MGC School Calendar 2021-2022

ALL students are expected to arrive on time and to be picked up on time.

Students may start arriving at 7:30AM.



28 – 11:30 Dismissal, Parent/Teacher Conference afternoon
and evening

29 – Conferences, no school



5 – 8th Grade testing

24 -26 – No School, Thanksgiving vacation

30 – End of Trimester 1



1 – Start of Trimester 2

22 – 11:30 dismissal, Christmas Vacation begins

All dates are subject to change with notice.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to check KidMail each Thursday for regular updates.

MGC's Extended Care Program is fully licensed.

Children must be registered with all completed paperwork turned in.

ECP is open on most days when school is not in session, but children must be pre-registered.

Parents/guardians are responsible for all ECP fees; failure to pay may result in dismissal from the program.