THE BRUIN BULLETIN
St. Teresa of Avila

Mrs. Ostertag, Principal *May 14, 2020* *471-4530/www.stteresa.net*

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School News

The end of the year is upon us. Monday, May 18th will be our Pick up/Drop off day. This will mark the end of the school year and an opportunity to wave goodbye to your teachers and begin enjoying your well- deserved summer break. Mrs. Ostertag's letter is included in this Bruin.

It is important that when you come Monday to the Pick up/Drop off that you please bring any Registration forms, fees, EdChoice forms, Latchkey balances due, books, tuition payments, library books, chromebooks, etc.

Please see the attached letter from the nurse regarding medication pickup on the 18th and vaccination information for the next school year.

Attention parents of 6th graders: All 7th incoming 7th grade students are required by state law to have one dose of Meningococcal vaccine and Tdap. Please turn in documentation to the office before the beginning of next school year.

Students will not receive final report cards until tuition and outstanding fees are paid. Students may not return to school in the fall if ALL tuition for this current school year has not been paid by August 1. If you have already paid your Registration and Tech Fees, those fees will be applied to your outstanding balance and your child will be removed from the homeroom list. If you then pay the balance due before the beginning of the school year, you would have to re-register and pay the Registration and Technology fees again, providing there is still an available spot in your child's grade. This was outlined in the Tuition and Fee Policy in the registration packet.

This will be the last Bruin of the school year. Please watch your email and Facebook for any information over the summer.

Many thanks to Mrs. Morris for all of her time and preparation to make this year's graduation special and memorable for the graduates.

As we close the year, we say goodbye to Mr. Heglin, our Technology coordinator and Computer teacher. We wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

Thanks to all of our incredible volunteers, our parents and grandparents, who volunteer in so many capacities throughout the school year. You are a true blessing to our school and we are very grateful for your help and involvement.

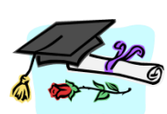
Thanks to all of our awesome teachers who have made this another great year of learning. They have shown flexibility and ingenuity in continuing students' education no matter the circumstances.

We thank Fr. Mike for this spiritual leadership and support of our school, the students and parents. He is a great blessing to all of us.

Thanks to our incredible principal, Mrs. Ostertag. What a first year she has had with us! She has shown her strength, shared her fresh ideas, creativity and dedication to our students, families, faculty and staff. She has a generous heart and great enthusiasm for teaching and learning. She truly gives her all to St. Teresa and we are blessed to have her.

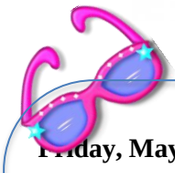
As the 2019-2020 school year draws to a close, we just want to take this opportunity to thank all of our students for working so hard this year. You should be very proud of your accomplishments. Parents, we couldn't do this without your cooperation and support, so thank you for being there for us and for your children. We appreciate all of you for entrusting your children to our care and we thank you for choosing to send your children to St. Teresa!

We wish all of you a fun, relaxing and safe summer!
See you in August!



Congratulations and Best Wishes to the St. Teresa of Avila Class of 2020!

Upcoming Events



Friday, May 15 **School Ends!**

Saturday, May 16 **Armed Forces Day!**

Monday, May 18 **Pick up/Drop off Day at School!**

Wednesday, May 20 **Graduation!**

Summer Vacation!

Library News

AR testing will continue to be available from home throughout the summer months. If students need their passwords they may email Mrs. Artmayer. Also, Sora access (a reading app from OverDrive Education) will be accessable through June 30. . Students can access a large collection of ebooks using a Chromebook, desktop computer or mobile device. Students may access Sora using Clever. Choose St. Teresa School and the selection of books will be available.

Used Uniform Extravaganza

If your child has outgrown their uniform apparel or is graduating and no longer needs items, please bring them with you to the drop off on the 18th. We will let everyone know when a Uniform Extravaganza is planned for this summer.

For those needing uniform skirts, etc, these items can be purchased from Schoolbelles on Harrison Avenue. Our school number is s2016. You can use this link to access their website.
http://www.schoolbelles.com/myschool/M37/s2016

VIRTUS Excellence Builds Trust

VIRTUS Reminder

Even though summer is here, VIRTUS bulletins will continue. Please remember to stay current on your monthly bulletins.

For those who are thinking about volunteering at St. Teresa School, you must be VIRTUS trained. Here is a convenient way to do this from home. A VIRTUS Live training session will be conducted via Zoom.

To register for the course please click the live training link on the left-hand side of the screen after logging into your VIRTUS account. Select the May 16 training session. The notes indicate the session will be conducted via Zoom.
Protecting God's Children for Adults will be live from St. Margaret of York (Loveland) on Saturday, May 16, beginning at 9:30 am. Space is unlimited.
(Session will take place via Zoom. No late arrivals will be admitted. All participants must use video throughout session. Details will be emailed ahead of the scheduled class time.)

Adoration and Prayer

St. Teresa Church will be open for personal prayer and Adoration, **Monday through Friday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.** You are welcome to come to pray during that time frame. We are permitting up to **twenty** (20) people in church at a time. If you see 20 already there please wait in your car until someone comes out or come back another day. **We ask that you sit in the areas marked and please wear a face mask and practice safe social distancing at all times while in church**.

Reconciliation will also be available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during this time. Reconciliation will be in the sacristy. Please wait in the marked spots in the aisle in front of the baptistery until it is your turn. To enter the church, please use the middle doors on the front of the church that face Glenway Avenue. ***Let's make this all work for everyone!***

We give everything to God and pray for the world.

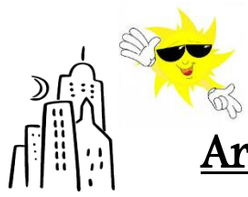
In the Spotlight

This week we shine the Spotlight on….

Our Graduates!

Caroline Collett
Mariah Crawford
Ruth Darnell
Johnny Fox
Logan Green
Isabelle Hageman
Sebastian Henderson
Michael Manuel
Jackson Martin
Yorleny Mazariegos Chun
Gerry McDonald
Aarilyn Neal
Madisyn Opp
Mason Paschka
Joseph Roth
Connor Schwarz
Nate Steiner
Loren Vale
Hinmer Ventura Chun
Ryan Wright
Josh Wright
Avery Zigelmier
Reece Zigelmier

Congratulations Graduates! The teachers and staff wish you much happiness, incredible memories, a bright future and continued success! As you begin the journey from your family here at St. Teresa on the road to a bright future, remember where you came from and that God is with you always!



Around Town

Register for Panthers Junior High Running Club

Boys entering the seventh and eighth grade next fall are invited to join the Panthers Junior High Cross Country team. If you are interested in learning about the sport of cross country and long distance running, join the team for summer conditioning every Tuesday at 5:30 pm at Fernbank Park, beginning July 7th. Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday practices & races will begin Aug 4th.

The running club is open to all boys entering 7th or 8th grade from the West side of town. No experience is needed to join and conditioning is free. Meets begin in mid-August with 8-10 races ending in mid-October. If interested, contact Rob Carvitti at panthersrunningclub@gmail.com.

Quote of the Week…

"Every new beginning comes from some other beginning's end." *Seneca*

May 5, 2020

Dear Bruin Families,

I hope you are all doing well. I wanted to let you know of our end of school plans. On Monday, May18th we will have time slots dedicated to families to come to school and drop off supplies (chromebooks. textbooks, library books, etc) and to pick up the items that were cleaned out of the students' desks and lockers. In each students' bag you will also find their report card and calendar and supply list for next year. We are asking that you drive up to the front doors on Rulison Ave. **Please do not get out of your car!** We will have someone to take the supplies you are dropping off and direct you where to go to pick up belongings. We will also have teachers present, social distancing, to wave to the students. Please try to come during the assigned time. We do understand there are people still working and may not be able to get to school during the day so we will have an evening time slot as well. Please email us if this day/time does not work for you so we can come up with an alternate plan.

Families Last Name Beginning with:

A-D 9:00 AM-9:45 AM

E-L 9:45 AM-10:30 AM

M-Q 10:30 AM-11:15 AM

R-U 11:15 AM-12:00 PM

V-Z 12:00 PM-12:45 PM

Evening Slot 5:30 PM-6:30 PM (Teachers will not be present during this time.)

We do not want anyone stopping and gathering outside their cars. We want to keep everyone as safe and healthy as we can. Please let us know if you have any questions.

God Bless,

Jennifer Ostertag
Principal

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Hello Bruin Parents/Guardians/Staff,

I hope you all have had another healthy and safe week!

These past two weeks I have been reviewing our student charts and making sure all students are up to date on vaccinations for their grade and age. I will only send a letter home if your child is missing a vaccination to be completed over the summer.

May 18 is Pick up/Drop off day for our school - I will be there throughout the day to sign out all medications - scheduled and as needed. If your child has medication at the school, please come pick it up this day. I will also hand you new forms to be completed by their Pediatrician for the new Academic School Year 2020-2021.

We have some awesome days to celebrate this month - May 10th is Mother's Day, May 13 is National Receptionist Day, and School Nurse's Day. This week is National Women's Health Week. May is also Lupus Awareness Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, Celiac Disease Awareness Month, Food Allergy Action Month, Melanoma / Skin Cancer Detection & Prevention Month, National Blood Pressure Month, and National Lyme Disease Awareness Month!
Wow! What a great month for health and reflecting/learning about those experiencing these reasons!

Speaking of Food Allergy Action Month! If your Bruin has any Allergies that you want us to know about and/or medicate for, please make sure to bring the Allergy Action Plan to their Pediatrician this summer to renew our forms for the 2020-2021 Academic School Year! This goes for Asthma Action Plans and Seizure Action Plans as well. This also applies to any students taking medication - scheduled or as needed - at school. **Forms will be provided on May 18th on Pick up/Drop Off day.**

Here are some resources to continue to stay up-to-date on current news:

- Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) | CDC
- Ohio Department of Health
- http://ohiochannel.org// - This is a temporary page for the Governor's press conferences on the coronavirus

Email me if you have any questions or concerns

In health and wellness,
Kate Gross BSN, RN
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May 2020

To Parents of incoming 7th graders

Tdap Booster & Meningococcal Vaccine

Dear Parents/Guardians,
The Ohio Department of Health School Immunizations Requirements now states that a student must be administered one dose of Meningococcal (MCV4) vaccine and a dose of Tdap before entering the seventh grade. The Tdap is intended to be administered as a booster dose for students who have completed all the required doses of the initial series of DTaP/DT/Td.

Your student will need to show proof of receiving these vaccines before they return to school. If your child has not received these by August 31, 2020, they will be excluded from school.

If you choose to decline vaccinations for medical purposes, you must provide the school with a doctor signed declination form. If you object to immunizations for good cause, including religious convictions, an exemption form can be obtained from the school clinic and must be signed by you.

You are receiving this letter now to provide you with ample time to have your child immunized before the upcoming school year begins. Please contact your physician or health department to schedule an appointment. If you need information about immunization clinics, please contact me at gross_k@stteresa.net

Thank you for your assistance with this!

Kate Gross BSN, RN
Clinic Nurse, St. Teresa of Avila School

_____
Name

Please provide the date that your child received the vaccines:

Received the Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV4) on _____
(Date)

Received the Tdap vaccine on _____ (Date)

Signature of Physician_____

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Thoughts On Parenting

These are unprecedented times. Stay-at-home restrictions, social distancing, home learning, drive-by birthdays, cancelled proms and graduations are just a few of the daily routines to which families have become accustomed. For parents, it is a new territory of disrupted routines, but also an opportunity to reflect on the gift of being a parent.

Parent - one who brings up and cares for another. The definition, according to Webster's Dictionary, seems very short when one tries to encompass the entire role one has as a parent, and with it the never-ending worry that maybe we aren't doing enough or the constant thorn that one could be a better parent. There isn't in existence a barometer or tool that measures one as a parent, but in Proverbs 22:6 we are reminded to train up a child in the way he/she should go, and when she/he is old he/she will not depart from it. The greatest love of all is that Christ himself has allowed each of us to be a parent; in some form, to those that are younger either by blood and genetics or simply as someone that is able to share God's love.

With the reminder that our time here on this Earth is short, it's important to remember the words that Jesus left the disciples: "I will not leave you orphans; another Advocate will be with you." This is known as the Holy Spirit and as parents of the world we understand that in leaning into the Spirit we are reminded that the Father and Son is in us; therefore if and when we depart from our children, the act of sharing our love and joy of Christ in the practice of our faith during our time with them will remain a reminder that even we will be with the children we've raised and loved while here and when we are gone.

Our daily practice of our faith as parents is crucial to not only us as individuals but to those who may bear witness: the children we lead and love. Imitation is the greatest form of flattery and providing examples in building a relationship with Christ for our children allows them to have the tools to begin their own personal relationships with Christ; this in turn provides them with the support they will need in times of joy, despair, love, and grief. But as grandmothers would say, "closed mouths don't get fed" it's important that our practice in our faith be solidified in our acts of prayer, bringing to God our worries and fears as parents and asking the Holy Spirit to guide us into a state of peace. It is through prayer that we will be reminded that whoever loves God will be loved by Him and thus we as parents become a bridge for the children we raise to Christ. Therefore in our absence our children will know that they are not alone, they will realize that even in not seeing their parents, they will always live in them. Like Christ, parents will live in their children, one just needs to remember to hear these words and have faith; whoever observes Christ will always be loved and never left alone.

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