



Nov 1, 2023

Wednesday Weekly

*Thank you to **Ms. Lane and Ms. Moore and their dedicated group of volunteers** for the incredible parties they gave our children last Friday. On the back page of this newsletter, you will find a report on the junior high event from our very own 8th grader, **Zoe McClay**.

*The Oak Park Fire Department was here on Monday to conduct a **fire drill**. The students were perfect - quiet and controlled. We got high marks from the Fire Marshall.

*Congratulations to our junior high students who participated in Fenwick's Math Competition on Monday: **Brooklyn Alexander; Nya Bouldin; Nyana Bouldin; Emari Cousins; Cailtyn Holley; Caron Holley; Isaiah McAtee; Sydney Porter; Aniya Shackelford**.

*Tonight is the night! Our **Lady Wildcats** kick off their basketball season in Maguire Hall at 6pm for JV and 7pm for Varsity. Our Cheer Team will be on hand to inspire the crowd. Spectators should enter through the front doors of the gym.

*The **Girls' BB** team will play again Friday, November 3 at St. Angela, Tuesday, November 7 at home, and Friday, November 10 at St. Luke.

*This Friday, November 3, our Early Learning Academy students will have a **Hearing/Vision Screening**, courtesy of the Oak Park Collaboration for Early Childhood.

***Daylight Savings Time ends** on Sunday. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour.

*There will be **no Learning Edge Tutoring** on Monday, November 6.

*Details for the **Springfield** trip on November 7 have been emailed to all those who signed up. If anyone else can make it, please contact Mrs. Leamy as soon as possible..

*The Oak Park Police Department will be here next Wednesday morning to conduct a **lockdown drill** for the school.

***Trimester I** ends on Friday, November 10.

*There is **no school** next Friday, November 10, as the teachers will be attending training.

*The **Mobile Dental Van** will visit St. Catherine-St. Lucy School Tuesday-Wednesday, November 14-15. The dentists will be here during the school day. If you have a child in Grades K, 2, or 6 - a dental visit is required by the State of Illinois. **Permission slips** went home today to every child; please return by Monday.

*The **weather** is starting to get colder, but we will continue to go out for recess as long as possible. If you are in need of a winter coat for your child, please reach out to Mrs. Cooper.

*We know that the **parking** lot at the end of the day can be hectic. We are asking parents not to double-park in front of another parked car. Two of our teachers were blocked in last week.

***Tuition** is due on the 15th of each month. If you are having any problems, it is your responsibility to reach out to Mrs. Cooper.

Dates to Remember

11/1 - Fenwick tutoring/Girls' BB Game-home

11/2 - Fenwick tutoring

11/3 - Hearing Vision Screen/Girls' BB-away

11/5 - Turn clocks back one hour

11/6 - No Learning Edge tutoring/Dental Permission slips due

11/7 - Mass-8:30am/Fenwick tutoring/ Girls' BB at home-6pm/ Springfield trip

11/8 - Lockdown Drill/Fenwick tutoring

11/9 - Fenwick tutoring

11/10 - End Trimester 1/No school/Girls' BB-away

Catholic Corner

Today as a school, we attended Mass for All Saints' Day. It is always observed on November 1, and on this day we honor all church saints, both known and unknown. We recognize their commitment to serving both God and others and are grateful for their inspiring messages of faith.

A Very Junior High Halloween

by Zoë McClay

8th grade

The Halloween dance was truly a night to remember. Things like the food, music, and decorations made it pretty cool. The night started off a bit rocky but once it got rolling it was a blast. One of my favorite parts was Mrs. Leamy's reaction and guessing game to everyone's costumes.

The playlist was curated by seventh grader Temara Hilton and Sixth grader Terriaah Jackson and in my opinion it was the BEST part of the dance. Mrs Young and her serious photography skills were a sight to see.

In some aspects the dance could've been enhanced in a few ways but for what we got it was pretty fun. A small shoutout to Brooklyn in seventh grade and the kids in the sixth grade for being so funny on the dance floor it was contagious. Shoutout to the schools Junior High ambassadors, without them this dance wouldn't have been the same! This year there was no need for students to be prompted to dance, the spirit for it was just there. A big thanks to Ms. Moore, Miss. Cache Lane, Miss. Jackson, Coach P, Coach Funches and of course Mrs. Leamy.

Overall the annual Junior High Halloween bash was super fun. I'm Looking forward to hearing about next year's dance too!

