



FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL

NEEDS ASSESSMENT: An updated needs assessment will be sent home this Friday in the white envelopes. This process is extremely helpful in helping us better understand the needs and expectations of our school families. This type of information is essential in helping to guide our decisions moving forward. I have attempted to make the process as streamlined as possible in an effort to maximize participation. Therefore, please take the time to fill out the survey and return it on Monday.

STUDENT COUNCIL DANCE: One last reminder that the student council dance is Friday, October 17 from 7:00-9:00 P.M. We will have a costume contest at the dance again this year as well.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:</u> Schools like ours only exist because of the hard work and dedication of the many volunteers we have. Having said that, many of the organizations that support the school/parish are finding it more and more difficult to secure the volunteers they need to make some of our events happen. Please consider giving of your time and talents for one of the organizations that support St. Teresa's School. Thank you to the many people who have already done so much in support of the school, and in advance to those who will continue to make the school successful.

SPORTS UPDATE: The fall sports seasons have all been completed, and winter sports are underway. Our students represented themselves, their families, and St. Teresa School in a very positive light this fall, and should be commended for their sportsmanship as well as their achievements. Congratulations to the students who participated; and thank you to the parents who served as coordinators, coaches, cheerleaders, water boys/girls, taxi drivers, and the many other roles we play in our children's lives.

<u>McTEACHER NIGHT:</u> The staff and I had a very enjoyable evening of socializing with everyone who was able to attend the McTeacher night last Thursday evening. We were also able to raise over \$500 in the process. If you were unable to attend or if you can't wait for another chance to "hang out" with the school staff, we will be having a similar event at Dairy Queen on November 20th from 4:00-8:00 P.M. There's even a chance that I will be taking some orders.

CONGRATULATIONS 8TH GRADERS: The 8th graders took their U.S. Constitution test this past week. Mrs. Dedmon was very pleased with the results, and we wanted to share some of the good news. We had 2 students who received perfect scores, and 22 students who received A's. That means that 73% of the students received a 93% or higher. Great job everyone!

PUMPKIN PATCH: The annual Pumpkin Patch was today, and was a huge success. The students were so excited to receive their pumpkins, pose for pictures, and the Kindergarten teachers even did a science experiment in the lab with their pumpkins. What a fun event for the students. Thanks to Perpetual Help for supporting this and the other events they support throughout the year. In other Halloween News, we will have our Pumpkin Mass next Wednesday, Trunk or Treat is the night of Saturday the 25th, and our classroom parties are in the afternoon of the 31st.

Quote of the Week:

Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but rather by the seeds that you plant.