

## DMCS Newsletter October 4, 2018

Dear Parents-

October is here! The countdown to Halloween and all the fun it entails has begun. At Monday Morning Meeting many students wanted to tell me about their costumes and what they were going to be. They are all getting ready. So much excitement has begun to fill the air!

**Spooktacular** is on October 13<sup>th</sup>! This 5K walk/run is an event for everyone. We will be sponsoring kid's runs and a mile run as well. Participants are encouraged to dress up for the event. Please sign up to run or get sponsors (*see the link in the article below*). Thank you for your support of Divine Mercy Catholic School!

Our school-wide Halloween Party is also coming up. On Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> we will celebrate as a whole school. If you are interested in helping that day, watch for a signup genius coming soon.

TRUNK or TREAT is just around the corner! This event will be held in the BA and DMCS parking lots on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4-6 PM. Come trick or treat with us and bring your friends! There will be many people handing out treats and free hotdogs for supper! Who can resist that?

We complete NWEA testing this week. Thank you for encouraging your children to do their best. Standardized testing is only a picture of one day in time in your child's life, however, these tests do help us draw a complete picture of your child's progress. We care about the academic, social/emotional, and spiritual growth progress of all our students. Standardized tests help us learn more about your child. Remember! The emphasis is GROWTH!

I couldn't have been prouder of our students than I was on Wednesday afternoon when our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders led the school in a living rosary. All the students who participated did an exceptional job. Seeing them, and being

joined together in prayer, filled my heart with JOY!

October is an excellent month to pray the rosary (well, any month actually-but especially October) as it is the month of the Holy Rosary. We have received a Mary statue that will begin traveling from room to room to help the students concentrate on this very special prayer. Praying this together at home as a family would give the learning even more meaning.

God Bless!

Gina Ashley

*"The purpose of my instruction is that all believers would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and genuine faith." 1 Timothy 1:5*

### **OCTOBER 5th**

#### **Student Dismissal 3 pm**

The Faribault School District has made the decision to dismiss their students at 1:20 PM on Friday, October 5th, for the Faribault High School homecoming parade. *Our students will be dismissed at their normal time, 3:00 PM.* This means busing **will NOT** be available for our students at 3:00 PM tomorrow. If your child will need to go to Aftercare that day, please make arrangements with Ginger Van Hecke at gvanhecke@dmcs.cc or (507) 334-7706 Ext: 2239.

DMCS/BA  
**SPOOKTACULAR**

**Saturday, October 13, 2018**  
**5k · 1-mile · Kids Fun Run**

Register to Run/Walk **or** Sponsor a Runner/Walker!  
Go to [www.dmcs.cc](http://www.dmcs.cc) OR [www.bacards.org](http://www.bacards.org) and check out events!

SPOOKTACULAR 2018:

SPOOKTACULAR is only **9 days** away. Please get your sponsors and sign up for the RACE. Pop-up prizes will continue at school throughout next week! Don't forget to wear your costumes on Race day!

Sign up at: <https://www.tempotickets.com/spooktacular18>. The last turn-in day IS Wednesday, October 10th.





All are invited to attend our PTO meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10th. We will meet at 6:00 PM at DMCS. Please see the October meeting agenda attached to today's newsletter.

**PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION NEEDED** The safety of your children is our top priority. The supervision of students during their noon recess is key to their safety. The time commitment would be 10:50 AM to 12:15 PM. If you are able to help please contact Rosie Van Thomme at (507) 334-7706 or sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d49aba92da3ff2-october2>

If you would be able to help with even just a half hour or more during this time it would be greatly appreciated.

## Dates to Remember

Oct. 5	Gr. 3 to Stages Theater
Oct. 9	Faithful Beginnings to River Bend Nature Center
Oct. 10	Mass of the Holy Spirit PTO Meeting 6:00 PM
Oct. 11	Gr. 4 to River Bend Nature Center
Oct. 12	Care & Share Dress Down Day 8:30 Mass K-12
Oct. 13	<b>Spooktacular!</b>
Oct. 15	Gr. 1 to Buckham Memorial Library
Oct. 17-19	MEA Break - No School
Oct. 24	8:30 AM Mass - Gr. 1 Host



*Divine Mercy Catholic School of Faribault is happy to be a recent recipient of a Tuition Assistance Grant from the Catholic Community Foundation (CCF). This grant was made possible by many donors – past and present – whose belief in the power of endowment has allowed CCF to steward and grow endowment funds. These funds provide annual grants to our Catholic schools in order to make Catholic education accessible to more and more students.*

*The Catholic Community Foundation, located in St. Paul, is the largest Catholic community foundation in the nation and is committed to supporting the spiritual, educational and social needs of our community.*



### **Attached to this week's folder**

- ❖ Prairie Fire Children's Theatre
- ❖ PTO Agenda
- ❖ Coats for Kids (Gr. 3-5)
- ❖ Faribault Fire Hall Open House Flier
- ❖ Girls Can Flier
- ❖ Faribault Community Family Flier



Permission forms were sent home with 2nd-5th grade folders last week. DMCS Students in grades 2-5 will have the opportunity to be part of PFCT's "Tom Sawyer" production. Auditions will take place Monday, October 22nd in the DMCS cafeteria.

The performance will take place October 26 & 27.

***Permission forms are due next week.***

