

#### PRINCIPAL'S PAGE

#### October 11, 2023

#### Dear Parents,

Thank you for choosing St. Celestine School for your child. We are proud to be able to serve you and your child and we will continually strive to provide a safe learning environment for them.

The safety of your child and all children in our school as well as the safety of the school staff and support personnel is very important to us. In order to maintain a safe environment for our children to study and learn, it is necessary that we practice our emergency and crisis response plans by having drills designed to exercise our procedures.

We will be conducting various drills during the school year. This letter is to help you understand the importance of this as well as to understand each type of drill.

The students and staff of your school will be practicing 3 primary emergency drills each year. They are "FIRE DRILLS"; "LOCKDOWN DRILLS"; and "TORNADO DRILLS." Each type of drill is explained below.

#### **FIRE DRILLS**

The school will conduct "Fire Drills". This is a requirement for all schools in the State of Illinois. We want each student to understand and be aware of the importance of this drill and not be afraid when the fire alarm is sounded. By practicing they will know what to do and how to do it. <u>We will be having a Fire Drill this week.</u>

#### LOCKDOWN DRILLS

The school will conduct A "Lockdown Drill" during the school year. This type of drill will secure the school building and safely shelter all students, staff and visitors inside the building. The purpose of this drill is to keep the students safe from any danger outside or inside the building. During a "lockdown drill" all of the perimeter doors to the school building will be locked and will remain locked until the danger or issue outside or inside the building is removed. To enable everyone to remain safe, no one will be allowed to enter the building or leave the building until the authorities authorize such a release. <u>We will be having a Lockdown Drill next week.</u>

#### **TORNADO DRILLS**

The "Tornado Drill" will be conducted each school year. The purpose of this drill is to be prepared to move to a safe location within the building in case of severe weather or tornados. We will be having a Tornado Drill within the next month.

Please remember that these safety practice drills are done to help maintain our schools a safe place to learn and work. If you have any questions regarding any of these Safety Drills or other safety concerns, please contact the school office.

Another event coming this week is a Rosary Walk. It is being done on Friday, October 13. St. Mother Theodore Guerin's Respect Life Organization is helping the students pray the Rosary and celebrate the many gifts God has given us. October is the month of the rosary. Pope Francis himself has stated, *"The Rosary is a prayer that always accompanies me; it is also the prayer of the ordinary people and the saints... it is a prayer from my heart."* As a Catholic community, praying the Rosary is one of the strongest faith-filled actions a person can perform. We are glad that the students have the opportunity to do this.

Thankfully,

Sheila M. Klich Principal





Join St. Celestine Parents' Club at 6:00 pm at the Culver's Fundraiser!

#### Mystery Pull \$2/each

For a chance to win... Out of Uniform Passes, Culver's Gift Cards, and a Free Gym period for your Classroom.

### Envelope Grab \$5/each For a chance to win...

2, 4, or 6 Out of Uniform Passes





WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 11 • 5-8 pm

JOIN ST. CELESTINE PARENTS CLUB AT OUR CULVER'S FUNDRAISER 15% OF EVENT SALES WILL BE DONATED

SHOW THIS FLYER TO THE CASHIER WHEN ORDERING AT THE RESTAURANT!



Valid only at Culver's of Harwood Heights 4538 N Harlem Ave, Harwood Heights, IL 60706





Culvers



Families decorate a vehicle's trunks & children visit each vehicle to receive treats! It's a safe, family friendly opportunity to celebrate the Halloween holiday and our SCS school community!



# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 1:00 - 2:30 PM St. Celestine School Parking Lot

#### SIGN MY TRUNK UP!

Decorate your trunk any way you desire! Trunks provide their own candy or trinkets to hand out to 200 trunk or treaters.


Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Vehicle Plate #: \_\_\_\_\_

Car Truck SUV Van Other

#### \$5 WRISTBANDS

Wristbands will be sent home the week of the event with the student listed below. Please order one wristband/child. Write checks payable to *Parents' Club*.

# of WRISTBANDS:



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Room #:





# **Boy Scout Troop and Crew 690**

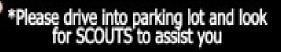
Are collecting donations to help with activities, camp and equipment

# CLOTHING DRIVE

Clothing/Shoes/Textiles(towels,sheets,blankets,pillows etc)/Accessories(Handbags,belts etc)

Donation Drop-off Hours Saturday October 21st 8am – 12pm

St. Mother Theodore Guerin Parish St.Celestine Church 3020 N 76th Court, Elmwood Park, IL \*All Clothes and items MUST be bagged \*NO!!! Electronics,Computers,TV's or large items



# **KICKS FOR A CURE** SOCCER FRIENDLY FOR BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023 ST PATRICK HIGH SCHOOL FIELD **5900 W. BELMONT**







ST CELESTINE CELTICS VS. TIGERS

JV GAME: 1:00 P.M. VARSITY GAME: 3:00 P.M. ST CELESTINE CELTICS VS. ST PAUL OF THE CROSS ST PAUL OF THE CROSS TIGERS

#### CEREMONY HONORING SURVIVORS BETWEEN GAMES

Link to Donate https://donate.pinkfund.org/team/532185



# Please join us for our monthly <u>Pastries with the Principal</u>

Monday, October 23, 8am immediately following drop off. We'll meet in the Annex.

All guardians and parents are welcome for a monthly gathering with Ms. Klich to meet and discuss all things St. Celestine! Coffee and pastries will be served.

Please RSVP at this link <a href="https://forms.gle/wbViJY2SGwjV8uwX7">https://forms.gle/wbViJY2SGwjV8uwX7</a>



<u>Preschool Movie night!</u> Where: St. Celestine School When: Friday, October 20 6:30pm Who: All preschoolers and their families



Please join your preschool classmates for a movie night! You and your family members are welcome to join us for a viewing of Monsters Inc. PJs (Halloween Theme if you have them!) and sleeping bags are encouraged! We will be in the gym or annex so make sure to bring some kind of blanket to sit on, Popcorn will be provided.

Please RSVP with the link below.

https://forms.gle/WdrCCEXa9JxQhcMu8



**ST. MOTHER THEODORE GUERIN PARISH** 





JOIN US TO CELEBRATE! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 **4 PM COCKTAILS 5 PM DINNER** 



Tickets \$75, Table for 10: \$650

Elmcrest Banquets, Elmwood Park PASTORAL CENTER (CALL 708-453-2555) OR AT STGUERINPARISH.ORG THROUGH GIVE CENTRAL.