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**Dear Parents/Guardians:**

**Today was our first Tiger Time (Out of Uniform) day. I reminded the students yesterday that they needed to dress appropriately but was not specific enough ☺. On Out of Uniform Days students can not wear leggings, spandex shorts, belly shirts, or ripped jeans, crocs. (I am sure I am missing something but…) They may wear jeans, sweatpants, shorts (with the appropriate length). Wednesday, September 27 is an Out of Uniform Day to wear RED as we focus on our Virtue of the Month – Respect. There is no cost for this Out of Uniform Day.**

## Thank you to all who were able to attend our Open House on Tuesday, September 19th. Attached to this memo is a form to request candy bars to sell. Please send the form back to school and we will send home the candy. Candy bars are $1.00 per bar. Please send candy money in as each box is sold for record keeping purposes.

## We have been invited back to sing at the Providence Bruins again on Friday, October 13th. Please see attached flyers. This is open to all Kindergarten – Grade 8 students.

**Our Meadow Farms fundraiser has started – the deadline to order is October 10 so we will have delivery in time for Thanksgiving. Order forms were sent home Monday – if you need additional forms, please send a note or an email.**

**We have been invited to Cranston’s Veterans Day Parade again this year. It would be great to have a big contingent from St. Mary’s walk with us. Student Council members and National Junior Honors Society students are expected to attend but it would be great to have many others join us. (Cheerleaders, basketball players etc.). (See attached flyer)**

**We still have gym uniforms in the office that need to be picked up. Please contact the office.**

**Please return your child’s Emergency Care cards as soon as possible.**

**We will host our Annual Flu Clinic on Monday, October 2 from 2:30-5:00. Please register ahead of time. See attached flyer.**

**Attached are the flyers for our Annual Funny for Funds night – one of our biggest Fundraisers! It’s a great night out! There are three flyers attached – one is a Sponsorship form (you will receive 50% towards your fundraising fee), one is to purchase tickets and one is a letter for a request for donations – we are always looking for donations to use in our auctions or basket raffles on the night of the event.**

**Grades 7 & 8 meet with Ms. Ricci for class once a week. For this year both classes decided to focus their energies on a specific topic. Grade 8 is focusing on Service Projects and Grade 7 is focusing on our Virtues of the Month. The first project Grade 8 is doing is a Food Drive scheduled for the end of the month (See attached flyer). St. Mary’s School does have a “Food Pantry managed by Grade 8. Grade 7 is busy planning a week at the end of the month focused on our Virtue for September – Respect. (Please see attached flyer)**

**Reminder:**

**If your child is absent, please send in a note the day he/she returns. This is a state law. Students absent for three or more days need a doctor’s note to return to school.**

**SAVE the DATE:**

**9/27 PTG Meeting 6:00 PM**

**10/06 Professional Development Day – No School – students will either do their schoolwork from assignments posted on Goggle Classroom or they will be sent home with a packet.**

**10/19 Pizzera Uno – Dine Out**

**Drop off is in the circle in front of the school. Please pull into the circle as far down as you can go – we will be outside to greet you and take the students out of the car. Please wait in the line – for safety reasons do not pull around another car. If you would like to walk your child to the door, please park either in the back parking lot or on the street and walk to the front door. Please do not walk your child to the classroom.**

**The parking situation is still a source of concern as there is no easy solution. Please be respectful of our neighbors and do not block their driveways or turn around in their driveways. Speed is also a concern – please be mindful that this is a school area and there are many little children walking around.**

**No peanut/tree nut items will be served as we are a Peanut/Tree Nut Free School. Please be sure your child’s lunch is peanut/tree nut free.**

**As in the past, we will not allow food to be brought in for birthday celebrations.** With the many children who suffer from a variety of allergies, we are trying to be as careful as possible. Thank you for your cooperation with this. Again, this school year – students may come out of uniform on their birthday. If the student’s birthday falls on a weekend, holiday, or school vacation he/she may dress down on the previous Friday.

Enjoy the weekend!

Respectfully,

Ms. Lepore

**St. Mary’s School lives the Gospel Values of Faith, Hope and Love through our kind thoughts, words, and deeds.**