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**Dear Parents/Guardians:**

**We had another great week of school despite the heat! I didn't think we would have to call an early dismissal so soon. We do follow Cranston Public Schools for weather alerts. You can sign up for weather alerts that will go to your phone – there's a link on our website. I will always send a text, phone message and an email. Please be sure we have the correct contact information for you.**

Our Grandparents Day Mass is Sunday at 9:30. Followed by a reception at school to honor all our Grandparents. Please have the students dress in their school uniform.

\*\*\*We will have a **change in dismissal lines beginning Monday, September 11.** Dismissal lines will be as follows: **PreK- Grade 4** will exit via the front door, **Grades 5-8** will exit the back door into the parking lot. **If your child is in Grades 5-8, please park in the back parking lot and not on Vallone Drive. The students should be getting in the cars in the parking lot and not in the streets. Parents of students being dismissed out the front door need a place to park!** Again, this year if you have siblings – the older child will be dismissed via the door with the younger child. \*\*\*

**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.**

**Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, September 19 at 6:00 PM. (More info to follow) This a mandatory meeting for all parents!**

**Tuesday, September 19 is also Picture Day – this photo is in school uniform.**

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

**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.**

**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.**

