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Dear Parents:

A big thanks to all of our grandparents that came to our Grandparents' Day Celebration! It was a great time and the turn-out we had for this event was amazing. Our grandparents are such an integral part of the success of our young people and it was really nice to thank them and show them the respect that they deserve.

Our Book Fair ended last Friday and it was also extremely successful. It was very well attended and our students came away with a lot of great books to enjoy. I would also like to remind everyone that with October comes some cooler weather, so please make sure that your child comes prepared to stay warm outside at recess, gym, and walking to church.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,  
Mr. Detzel

**Holy Name Society Meat Shoot This Sunday** – The Holy Name Society will be holding a Meat Shoot this Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> in the undercroft parking lot. The shoot will be held from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. There will be free chili and soup and \$2 beers. There will be televisions showing the football games, so you won't miss any of that action. The cost to shoot is \$5 per shot or 6 shots for \$20. Come have some free food, a couple of beverages, watch the football game, have a chance to win some meat, and support our Holy Name Society!

**Drop-Off's in the Mornings** – I would like to thank everyone for their continued support in making our drop-off procedure as safe and productive as possible. We are continuing to tweak the process to make it run more efficiently. We have made some minor changes and are asking for your help. **We really need everyone to please go through the car line, so that we do not have children crossing the car line by foot.** The only people who should be walking their children across the car line are the pre-school and daycare parents that have to sign their children in. We are now opening the doors to school at 6:50 for those who want to avoid the traffic. We are extending the cones by school and are asking everyone that is in the line next to the building to let their riders out as soon as they come to a stop next to the cones. This allows us to let more kids out at the same time and keep the line moving faster. It would also be a big help if car seats and boosters are put on the passenger sides of your back seats so the students can exit your car on the school side of the car line. We understand that this is still far from a perfect system, but with your cooperation we can make it as efficient and safe as possible. **Thank you!**

**Box Tops** - Fall has arrived and the Box Tops Submission deadline is just a month away. During the days of October 4 - October 12 our school will be collecting Box Tops. Every student who brings in Box Tops will be entered into a drawing for daily fun prizes and treats. A collection sheet is being sent home in your Family Folder. You can use it for 25 box tops ( Remember not to attach bonus certificates). Another very helpful way is to put 50 box tops in an envelope or baggie. All submissions should include



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your student's name and grade so we can put their name in for the drawing. If you have any questions please contact Karen Lipscomb at [klipscomb@independence.org](mailto:klipscomb@independence.org). Thank you for your continued support of this fundraiser.

**TRUNK or TREAT EVENT 10/28 from 6:30-10p** - Join us for a FUN-FILLED Fall event for kids and adults alike! All School and Parish families are welcome to participate. Wear your costume, decorate your vehicle and fill your trunk with candy to hand out to those who come!! We will be giving awards for the best decorated vehicles and costumes. Also enjoy great fun on our hayrides, take photos with the family next to our fall display, as well as several additional activities for the whole family to enjoy! Dinner will be potluck style, with sub sandwiches provided as the main course. Sodas and Beer will be available for purchase! Please RSVP no later than 10/25! \$10 for the WHOLE FAMILY or \$4 per person. Cash or checks are accepted (made payable to St. Cecilia Church). Please have your vehicle in the parking lot, no later than 6pm so that you have time to set up before our trick or treaters arrive!! Parking spots are on a 1st come- 1st serve basis. Bring your family and friends- this will be a SPOOKTACULAR good time! Sign-up by completing the attached form and return it to the school office or by signing up online via this link!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054ba8ac2eaaf49-trunk>

**Feast of St. Cecilia Gala – The Great Gatsby – 11/18** - The 2nd Annual Feast of St. Cecilia Celebration Gala "The Great Gatsby" will be held on Saturday, November 18th at 6:30pm. Pay online today via the Parish/School websites or purchase after any weekend Mass beginning on Oct 7th. The 1920's Soiree will be filled with dinner, signature "End of Prohibition" drinks, dancing, Grand Raffle, games and auctions. Cost of the tickets are only \$30pp or \$50 couple. FREE onsite babysitting will be offered in the school, hosted by the HC National Honor Society. Grab your friends and neighbors and get ready for a swinging great time! [www.saintceciliaparish.net](http://www.saintceciliaparish.net)

✚ **Academic Corner – Celebrate Your Child’s Progress** – Suggest that your youngster create a fun reminder of all the things they have accomplished. Let them cover a box with construction paper and label it “I did it!” Then, they can write each success (“I learned to add fractions” or “I learned five new words today”) on a slip of paper and put it in the box. If they feel down or discouraged about something, have them read their accomplishment slips of paper.

### **Important Dates:**

10/4 – Soccer Pictures and basketball uniform pick-up  
10/5 – Villa Madonna 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit (1:00 – 2:00)  
10/6 – Independence Fire Department (Fire Prevention Day)  
10/11 – Holy Cross 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit (10:30 – 11:30)  
10/20 – Walk-A-Thon  
10/28 – Trunk or Treat - (6:30-10p)

**Have a wonderful rest of the week!**