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Dear Parents:

We are currently in the middle of our annual Book Fair. The students have really enjoyed finding new books to challenge and entertain them. The amount of free reading done outside of school has consistently been found to relate to growth in vocabulary, reading comprehension, verbal fluency, and general information. Students who read independently become better readers, score higher on achievement tests in all subject areas, and have greater content knowledge than those who do not. Encourage your child to read often and let them choose the books they read independently. If they are younger and are not reading yet, please read to them.

This week will culminate with our Grandparents Day. This is a day when we get to thank and honor all of our grandparents for everything they do for us. We look forward to having them visit our school this Friday!

Our staff, community, and students never cease to amaze me with all of the good things that they accomplish. We are definitely a community that has been blessed. "Blest Are We!"+

*God Bless!*

Sincerely,  
Mr. Detzel

**Book Fair** – Our Book Fair is currently taking place. The Book Fair will be open each day 7AM – 1PM in the Music Room. Joseph-Beth offers a wide selection of titles and authors. Books make great gifts; please consider supporting this event which directly benefits our students! The Book Fair will be available on Grandparent Day with extended space and availability.

**Grandparents Day** - St. Cecilia School's annual Grandparents Day is being held this Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The agenda for the day is listed below.

8:00 – Mass

9:00 – Coffee & donuts

9:30-Visit the classrooms for an activity to do with your grandchildren and visit the Book Fair.

10:45 – Our grandparents visit is complete!

Grandparents are encouraged to arrive around 7:45am and go directly to the church. A flyer was sent home last week in the Wednesday folder asking for a count of how many grandparents will be attending. This is due back in the school office by Friday, September 21st. Thanks!

**Daycare/Aftercare** - Just a reminder that our daycare/aftercare programs are full. If you wish to be on the waiting list please contact the school office. Your invoices will be coming home every other week in the Wednesday folder. In order to not have a disruption of service, all invoice payments are due upon receipt.



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**Volleyball** - NKYVC, NKY/Greater Cincinnati's Premier Volleyball Club, is currently holding clinics and tryouts for girls 8U-18U and boys 11U-18U! 2019 represents 20 years of proven training, performance and results at NKYVC. Register today to be a part of the next 20 years! For more information and to register visit: [www.nkyvc.com](http://www.nkyvc.com)<<http://www.nkyvc.com/>>.

**Walk-A-Thon** - The St. Cecilia Walk-a-thon will be on Friday, October 12. Details about the walk were presented to the students at a pep rally today. Walk-a-thon packets are going home today in the family folders. This year's goal is \$20,000. All proceeds from this year's walk will go to support the technology needs of the new building. Please take a minute to register your child for online donations at: <https://www.uburst.com/cgi-bin/uwalk/accounts/AT1R011D3D2X9B4J44/uwalk.pl>

You will be provided with a link to share with family and friends to donate to your child. Cash and check donations can be turned into school on the following dates: October 1, 3, 8, & 10. The last day to earn prizes for donations is October 10. Please send donation in an envelope with the student's name, grade, and amount of donation clearly labeled.

**Donatos Fundraiser** – Next Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be having a Donatos fundraiser from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Independence location on Harris Pike. All you have to do is bring in the flyer (one is attached and one came home in the Wednesday folder) and St. Cecilia gets 15% of the proceeds. Take a night off from cooking and help us earn some easy money.

**SAVE THE DATE for our St. Cecilia THAT'S 70's GALA!** - Coming this fall! Join us as we prepare to get our groove on and boogie the night away. Mark your calendars for November 17th! Ticket information coming soon!

**TRUNK OR TREAT! 10/27 6:30pm** - IT'S BACK! The much anticipated TRUNK OR TREAT Event will return to St. Cecilia School on Saturday 10/27 at 6:30pm. Look for an RSVP form to come home soon!

**Future Indians Nights** - COME CHEER ON OUR HOLY CROSS STUDENT ATHLETES!

\*1 adult admitted FREE with a Future Indian (all grades welcome)      \*Arrive early & join players for introductions & the National Anthem      \*FREE HC giveaways      \*Bring a friend

**~Friday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**

Boys Football v Holmes 7pm @ Holmes (home game)

**~Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Girls Volleyball v Scott Varsity 7:30pm @ Finn Center (home)

**Writing/Project Contest** - Attention Students!! It's that time of year for our Annual Summer Writing/Project Contest presented by the St. Cecilia School Board. **NEW THIS YEAR!!!** You now have the opportunity to submit your favorite memory about your "summer adventures" or our "Labor Day Festival" via a written paragraph, a visual project (powerpoint, art, video etc) or through poetry! Let your creativity guide you. One winner from each category will be selected from the following grades: K-2, 3-5 and 6-8. The submission deadline is Friday, October 12th. Winners will receive an out-of-uniform day and will be announced October 19th! Look for the flyer in the Wednesday folders!



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**YOUTH BASKETBALL MINI-CAMP AT HCHS** - Holy Cross High School is hosting a youth basketball mini-camp on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM for boys and girls in grades 1-4 and from 2:00-6:00 PM for boys only in grades 5-8 in the Holy Cross gym, 36<sup>th</sup> & Church Streets, Covington, KY. The cost is \$30 each (no refunds). For more information and to register, go to [hcindiansbasketball.com](http://hcindiansbasketball.com) or contact Coach Brandon Grammer at 859-409-2944 or at [hcindiansbball@gmail.com](mailto:hcindiansbball@gmail.com).

**Dynamic Catholic WELCOME Formation Team- 9/27 at 7pm** - ATTENTION MOMS: All women of St. Cecilia School and Parish are invited to attend an informational meeting to discern whether or not you are being called to be on the giving team for the next Welcome Women's Retreat. The Welcome Women's Retreat (formerly called Christ Renews His Parish, aka CRHP 2.0) has been scheduled for the weekend of March 30-31, 2019. Please prayerfully consider joining the giving team to support your fellow sisters in Christ on this spiritual journey. The informational meeting will be held on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. We will begin with Benediction at 7pm in the church and continue the meeting in the school immediately following. We hope to see you there! Please contact Kendra McGuire at [kendra.mcguire14@gmail.com](mailto:kendra.mcguire14@gmail.com) or 859-982-6476 if you have any questions.

**Dynamic Catholic Women's WELCOME Retreat Weekend 3/30-31** - The St. Cecilia Parish Women's Welcome Retreat has been scheduled for March 30-31, 2019. Please mark your calendars now to join your fellow parish sisters for an experience that will transform your life! Be on the lookout for more information coming soon.

### **Academic Corner - Review Test-Taking Strategies**

It is normal for your son or daughter to feel stressed when taking an exam. However, there are certain strategies that will help him or her manage the stress and do his or her best on the exam. First, make sure that your child arrives on time and tries to stay relaxed. Students should be sure to read all of the directions on the exam and pace themselves so as not to feel rushed. You can let your child know that it's OK to skip around on a test, if allowed, as he or she may be more comfortable with certain topics than others.

### **Important Dates**

9/25 – 9/28 – Book Fair  
9/27 – Close Fall MAP Testing  
9/28 – Grandparents Day  
10/12 – Walk-A-Thon  
10/12 – 10/14 – Youth 2000 at NDA  
10/15 – 8<sup>th</sup> Graders off