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Dear Parents:

Last week we did our Walk-A-Thon Kick-off event in the undercroft. There was a lot of excitement generated and we hope to have another solid event. All of the money raised will be going to our ongoing quest to upgrade our technology. We have made great strides in this area and we will continue to strive to make St. Cecilia the best school that it can be.

I would also like to thank our friends at the Independence Fire Department who came to St. Cecilia last week and taught everyone about fire safety. October is Fire Prevention Month and it is so important that our students learn about fire safety to protect themselves and the ones they love from fire. The IFD also came to our pre-school and our Imagination Builders Club on Monday.

Have a great week!

Sincerely,
Mr. Detzel

All-Call Test – On Thursday we will be doing a test call on our new all-call system that is called Twilio. Please save the number in your phone as St. Cecilia, as it will not show up as our number. This will be the method in which we notify you if school is delayed or cancelled. If you have another number that you would like to add, please call the school.

Walk-A-Thon - Walkathon Update! Just Added! Students bringing in \$100 or \$300 per family get Kona Ice! The final collection days will be Monday, October, 16th and Wednesday, October, 18th to be eligible for prizes. If you have not registered your child online, please do so ASAP. Permission slips are not needed for this event since it will take place on the property. We welcome volunteers, but you must be Virtus compliant. All students will need lunches on this date as the cafeteria will be closed. If you have further questions, email Karen Bunton at kbunton@stcindependence.org.

Holy Cross Open House - Holy Cross High School would like to invite all prospective students to their Open House on Wednesday, November 8th, beginning at 6:15p.m. in the gymnasium. Students and parents will be given tours of the school, an introduction to the faculty, and see departmental demonstrations. Activities will be provided for younger siblings, all are welcome! Also, the 8th Grade Visitation Day is November 14th, beginning at 9:00a.m.

St. Cecilia Youth Chorus - The 2017-2018 season of the St. Cecilia Youth Chorus (SCYC) is ready to commence! Calling all 2nd-8th grade singers who are willing to share their vocal talents for the Glory of God and the beautification of our St. Cecilia Masses. SCYC will rehearse on Wednesday nights from 5:45-6:45 in the church. Our first rehearsal will be on Wednesday night, OCTOBER 25th, from 5:45-6:45 PM. A full rehearsal schedule with scheduled Sundays and Holy Days will be available at the first rehearsal.



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Welcome Hunt Family – We would like to welcome the Hunt family to St. Cecilia! They have four children who are now attending our school: Lacy – 1st grade; Max – 3rd grade; Julia – 6th grade; and Maya – 7th grade. Please help us welcome them to the St. Cecilia Family.

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. All submissions should include 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. Thank you for your continued support of this fundraiser.

The Feast of St. Cecilia Gala Celebration 11/18 - The 2nd Annual Feast of St. Cecilia Celebration Gala “The Great Gatsby” will be held on Saturday, November 18th at 6:30 pm, in the Undercroft. Pay online today via the Parish/School websites or purchase after any weekend Mass beginning on October 7th. The 1920’s Soiree will be filled with dinner, signature “End of Prohibition” drinks, dancing, Grand Raffle, games and auctions. Tickets are only \$30 per person or \$50 per couple. FREE onsite babysitting will be offered in the school, hosted by the Holy Cross National Honor Society. Grab your friends and neighbors and get ready for a swinging great time! www.saintceciliaparish.net.

Festival Volunteer Dinner- THANK YOU! 10/21 - COME CELEBRATE WITH US! Our Festival Workers’ Party will be Saturday, October 21st beginning at 6:30 pm in the Undercroft. ALL VOLUNTEERS, ADULTS AND STUDENTS ALIKE, ARE INVITED TO ATTEND! We have much to celebrate! Food and drinks will be served. If you recruited your own volunteers for the weekend, please invite them to come.

St. Cecilia Soccer Team Mass 10/15 at 11am - Please plan to join us next Sunday during the 11 am Mass as we recognize our Parish Soccer teams. As the season is ending for them, it is important that we give thanks to the Lord for the fun our kids have had, the experience of learning the sport more and for coming to a greater understanding of what true sportsmanship is. Our teams will wear their uniforms and sit with their respective coaches during the Mass. We will recognize our 8th grade soccer players at a later Mass.

St. Cecilia Basketball Team Mass 10/22 at 11am - Please plan to join us on Sunday, 10/22 for an all team Mass at 11 am as we recognize our Parish Basketball teams. It is important that we give thanks to the Lord for the fun our kids have had, the experience of learning the sport more and for coming to a greater understanding of what true sportsmanship is. Our teams will wear their uniforms and sit with their respective coaches during the Mass.

St. Cecilia Mom's Group Gathering! 10/24 - ATTENTION: MOM’S OF ALL AGES! Come join us for a gathering at Memorial Park in Independence on Tuesday 10/24 at 10 am. Bring your children and a friend! Spend time getting to know other moms of the School and Parish while allowing the kids to play! Contact Mary Cherry for more information at: mjwoodingcherry@gmail.com.



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Trunk or Treat Event 10/28 - Join us for a fun-filled Fall event for kids and adults alike! All Parish and School families are welcome to decorate your vehicle and fill your trunk with candy to hand out to those who come!! Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners! Awards will also be given out to favorite costume categories! Enjoy Hayrides, family photos, games and a Pot Luck Dinner! Sub-sandwiches will be served as the main dish. Cost is only \$10 for the whole family or \$4 per person. Bring your family and friends. This will be a SPOOKTACULAR good time! Contact Mary Cherry mjwoodingcherry@gmail.com for more information or sign-up online via the school or Parish websites today! www.saintceciliaparish.net.

Academic Corner -

Fraction Fun – Show your child that fractions are a part of everyday life. For a week, have them record and illustrate each fraction they notice. For instance, they might write, “We had a half day of school today,” or “Mom asked for 1 and a half pounds of turkey at the store.” See how many examples of fractions they can find in a week.

Important Dates:

10/20 – Walk-A-Thon
10/28 – Trunk or Treat - (6:30-10:00 p.m.)
10/31 – Saints Parade
11/9 – Lifetouch Picture Re-take Day
Veterans’ Day Program
End 1st Trimester
11/15 – Lions Eye Screening Grades K-3
11/20 – 1st Trimester Awards Day

Have a wonderful rest of the week!