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St. Gregory Parish School strives to create and foster a safe learning environment where a child may grow spiritually, academically, emotionally, and socially through a quality education, a living relationship with God and a respect for themselves and others. We strive to recognize that each person is sacred and unique, and we encourage each student to explore and meet their full potential, so that they may successfully respond to the challenges of life and the call to become leaders for Christ, America and the world.

Football Lottery – LAST CALL

Ticket stubs and money are now due. Results of the weekly winners can be found on our website <u>www.stgregs.net</u>, Facebook page or via email once they have been received in the office. If you know someone who would like their email address added to the list, please contact the school office. If you have not turned in your required 30 ticket stubs by this Monday, September 9th and you are a K-8 school family, you will be billed \$150.00 for this fundraising obligation.

Thank you for helping to make this fundraiser successful!

Save Around Coupon Book Sale

Level 4 is selling SaveAround Coupon Books with coupons good through December 2025 as a Fundraiser for their Washington, DC trip. Books are \$25.00 and for each book sold the students will make 50% or \$12.50 *(\$10.00 for online orders)*. You can place an order through any L4 student up until September 26th or you can go to the SaveAround website: <u>www.SAPayNow.com/20706</u> Books will ship directly to customers if you order through the website.

QUICKSCHOOLS Student Management System

St Gregory School uses QuickSchools

(<u>https://stgregs.quickschools.com</u>), an online school management software that keeps track of your child's progress and attendance.

As parents, you too can get updates on your child's records and progress via your account, which is now ready for use. Your login details have been emailed to you. If you do not received an email with your login information, please contact the school office at gregory1@stgregs.net or by calling 725-4571.

FAMILIES: Make sure you have your copy of the SGS 2024-2025 Calendar (*available in the school office*)

A huge Thank you to C & C printing for designing, printing and donating these calendars for us!!



OPEN HOUSE AND FAMILY TUREEN POTLUCK DINNER

What: The annual get-to-know new families and teachers Tureen Potluck Dinner and Open House

When: Wednesday, September 18, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m.

Where: St. Gregory School gym

Table settings, Sloppy Joe and drinks will be provided. Each family is asked to please bring a dish to share corresponding to the first letter of your last name

below:

- A~J Covered Dish or Casserole
- K-Q Vegetable or Salad
- **R-Z** Dessert

We encourage as many families as possible to attend and help welcome our new School Families. Hope to see you all there.





Saturday October 12th 5:00-8:00 PM

Fall Fest for all school families. There will be Bounce Houses, "Trunk or Treat" (families decorate their car/vehicles and give out treats) Hay Rides, Halloween Crafts and a snack of Hot Dogs & Chips.

The cost is free and it is sponsored by the PTO. Trunk or Treat will begin at 5:00 p.m. Hay Rides will begin at 5:30 p.m.

What is Trunk or Treat? Trunk or Treat is a Halloween event where people gather and park their cars in a parking lot. They open their trunks, or the backs of their vehicles, and decorate them. They then pass out treats from their trunks. This is a St Greg's family event so homemade treats or fresh fruit would also be welcome.

When it comes to decorating your vehicle there are the obvious choices, like decorating for Halloween, using pumpkins, spider webbing, spiders, brooms (not too scary please as we have a lot of very young children). The best way to plan your trunk is to pick a theme. Think of it like dressing yourself in a costume. Sometimes you pick a theme and throw things together. Other ideas are your favorite cartoon, sport or hobby. Check the internet for lots of "trunk or treating" ideas.

If any parent, grandparent or teenage sibling would like to participate <u>please call the school office before October</u> 4th.

PTO PLANNING MEETING

All families Pre-k through 8th grade are encouraged to join and attend our PTO. Meetings are listed on our school calendar and are generally on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Our next one will be held on Monday, September 9th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

Volunteers are needed for Fall Fest

This is a school family event sponsored by our PTO. Many hands make light work. If you can help with any of the following, please attend our planning meeting on Monday, October 7th or contact the school office.

SET UP (begins at 4:00 p.m.): BOUNCE HOUSE SUPERVISION CRAFTS KITCHEN CLEAN UP



Cross Country News

Scrimmages are on September 19th, September 26th and October 3rd. The last practice will be on October 10th.

The Championship Race will be held on Saturday, October 12th at Frontier and all runners are encouraged to attend. Please see your schedule for the order or championships.

Congratulations and Good Luck to our runners!



1st Graders: Leta N, Dallas V., Richard M., Evander S. 2nd Graders: Jesse H., Lena J., Cecelia S., Lucas R. 3rd Graders: Barrett H., Logan S.

4th Graders: Addilyn H. Destiny S., Holden H., Lena L., Audrey S.

6th Graders: Aiden S., Charlotte H.

- 7th Graders: Chloe F., Rita R.
- 8th Graders: Stephen A., Addison L.

St. Gregory Wonder-Workers Annual Gift Basket Auction and Spirit Bingo Night on Monday, October 14, 2024

Wonder Workers are graciously accept donations of Gift Cards, Lottery Tickets or Monetary Donations. You can drop off donations to the Parish Office Complex, during business hours, Monday through Thursday, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Thank you for your ongoing support to the Wonder Workers.



Disney Frozen Jr, The Musical

On Friday & Saturday, January 24th & 25th, St. Gregory Students will be performing the musical "Frozen, Jr."

We are looking forward to another fun musical event!

Additions will be held on Tuesday, September 10th and Wednesday, September 11th from 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM. If you are in Cross Country, we will begin with your audition so you can still attend practice.

Auditions are for Grades 3 through 8. Please bring a rehearsed song that you have memorized. You will also be given a script to read a few lines. The audition will be conducted in front of a panel of teachers.

A practice schedule will be given once roles have been selected and posted.



Paint the Town Pink and Support Breast Cancer Awareness

Students at Saint Gregory School made pink ribbons to help "Paint the Town Pink" to increase awareness on the topic of breast cancer. These ribbons will be displayed in the North East businesses storefronts. Students will do a socially distanced "Pink Walk" through town to view their ribbons on <u>Friday, October 4th</u>, we will also have a Jeans and Pink day. Any student who wishes to wear jeans and a pink shirt or accessory on this day may do so by bringing in a donation of \$1.00 or more with all proceeds benefiting breast cancer research.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI DAY ANNUAL BLESSING OF PETS

ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL will be welcome at St. Gregory School on **Friday, October 4th at 2:30 p.m.** for the Blessing of Animals on the front east lawn. Families may bring pets or pictures of pets for the blessing. This service commemorates the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, a 13th century Italian well-known for his hospitality to all non-human as well as human creatures. St. Francis believed that all creatures are loved and cherished by God and should be treated with dignity and respect. Thank you for continuing to be a blessing to your pets by loving and caring for them.

"A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows." St. Francis of Assisi



VOLUNTEERS AT ST. GREGORY SCHOOL

It is important that everyone who wishes to volunteer have their proper clearances and required forms on file in the school office. Below is a list of requirements that need to be completed and turned in for anyone who wishes to do so.

Just Ctrl+Click on the link and it will take you to the form needed.

Read the Policy for the Protection for Children

1. Volunteer Application for Working with Children

Frequency: once upon start; please make sure to specify the names of two personal references.

2. <u>Statement of Intent for Compliance</u>

Frequency: once upon start, and as required upon future policy releases.

3. Mandated Reporter Compliance Document

Frequency: annually.

4. Federal Criminal History Record

Frequency: Every 5 years

If you have lived in Pennsylvania for the past 10 continuous years then you can complete this:

Affidavit (Disclosure Statement Application)

Otherwise, you must complete this:

Federal Criminal History (fingerprinting) using Service Code 1KG6Y3

5. PA State Police Criminal Record Check

Frequency: Every 5 years

6. PA Child Abuse History Certification

Frequency: Every 5 years

7. VIDEO: Pennsylvania Mandated Reporter Training

Frequency: Every 5 years

8. VIDEO: Diocesan Creating a Safe Environment Inservice (online)

Frequency: Every 5 years

Pizza Order Form – OCTOBER 2024– DUE 9/27/24

Name: _	 Grade:
10/1/24 10/15/24 10/22/24	 _ c or p x \$2.00 \$ _ c or p x \$2.00 \$ _ c or p x \$2.00 \$

Total Slices Ordered _____x\$2.00=\$____Enclosed

Hot Lunch Order – OCTOBER 2024 – DUE 9/27/24

Name:	_Grade:
10/03/24 Chicken Picker Bowl	x \$4.00 \$
10/10/24 Ham & Cheese, Soup, Fruit	x \$4.00 \$
10/17/24 Mac & Cheese, Veggie, Roll	x \$4.00 \$
10/24/24 Tenders, Mashed Potatoes, Veggies	x \$4.00 \$
10/31/24 Burger, Chips Fruit	x \$4.00 \$

SUBWAY Order Form – OCTOBER 2024– DUE 9/27/24 Name: _____ Grade: _____ 10/8/24 Ham Turkey Cold Cut Combo White Bread Wheat Bread Total Subs Ordered x\$5.00=\$ Enclosed

TACO Lunch Order Form – OCTOBER 2024– DUE 9/27/24

Name: _____ Grade: _____

10/29/24 _____ x \$4.00 \$_____

Total Lunches Orderedx\$4.00=\$Enclosed

PLAN AHEAD

GRANDPARENTS DAY is Monday, September 9th

School Liturgy Tuesday, September 10th at 9:15 AM

Community Fair Friday, September 13th from 12 noon till 7 PM and Saturday, September 14th from 10 AM till 3 PM in school gym

Student testing Monday, September 16th through Friday, September 20th. Make up testing will be September 23rd through September 27th

School Pictures Wednesday, September 25th

NO SCHOOL Wednesday, October 2nd for Teacher In Service Day

NO SCHOOL Friday, October 11th for Teacher In Service Day

NO SCHOOL Monday, October 14th in observation of Columbus Day

Make up pictures and groups for yearbook Wednesday, October 23rd

Parish Spaghetti Dinner Saturday, October 26th

End of First Quarter is Thursday, October 31st