

**HOLY ROSARY**



**CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

# Holy Rosary Saints

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Oct. Virtue: Prudence

*To Live, Love, and Learn with Jesus Christ as our Model*

## Mark Your Calendar

- Oct. 18  
Christian Brothers Shadow Day (8th grade)  
Panda Express Dine to Donate, 10:30 am-10 pm
- Oct. 19  
STEM Squad, 3-4 pm
- Oct. 21  
Fleur de Lis Auction Mtg, 6 pm
- Oct. 25  
NO SCHOOL, Teacher work-day
- Oct. 26-29  
Autumn Theme Week
- Oct. 28  
Parent Club Mtg, 6 pm
- Oct. 29  
Fall Festival, 5-7:00 pm
- Nov. 1  
All Saints Day  
Picture Retake Day
- Nov. 2  
All Souls Day  
STEM Squad, 3-4 pm
- Nov. 10  
End of Trimester 1
- Nov. 11 & 12  
No School, Veteran's Holiday
- Nov. 22-26  
Thanksgiving Holiday

## Fall Festival

Our Fall Festival Committee has been hard at work planning for an outdoor Fall Festival that will be held October 29th from 5-7pm with an outdoor movie to cap off the evening, which will start at 7:00 pm. All activities have been planned with COVID safety in mind! There will be a pumpkin patch, scare crow contest, art activities, trunk or treat, food, drinks, desserts and much, much more! There will be many opportunities for parent service hours at this event. More information sent out this week.

## Autumn Theme Week

Student Council will be hosting an Autumn Theme Week from Oct. 26-29. All proceeds will be donated to Breast Cancer Research. Each day there will be a theme and students can purchase the opportunity to wear dress that coincides with that theme. \$2/day or \$5 for the week will be asked of those who want to participate. Students do not have to participate and can wear their normal uniforms.

Oct. 26 —Time Travel Tuesday (dress in your favorite past period in time)

Oct. 27 —Worldwide Wednesday (dress in clothes that typify a nationality)

Oct. 28 —Tuxedo Thursday (dress in your Sunday best)

Oct. 29 — Think Pink Friday (wear pink in support of Pinktober)

A flyer with more details about the theme days will be sent home this com-

ing week. There will be no opportunity to wear Halloween costumes to school this year. Remember, even though these are free dress days, the dress code will be strictly enforced based on the free dress code found in our handbook; apropos items are listed below. Any questions please ask. Tennis shoes must be worn in order to participate, no sandals or open toed shoes. Modesty and simplicity are guiding principles; no tight-fitting, sleeveless, see-through, tank tops, or midriff shirts are allowed. Leggings are permitted as long as they are not worn as pants.

## Student Absences

In these COVID times, we are very happy how our families are taking student's symptoms serious, including keeping students home as needed to keep the potential for the spread of viruses to a minimum. We understand and support those excused absences and are very willing to help students make up/catch up. If you are pulling your children out of school for other, non-medical reasons (unexcused absences), please consider the following:

- students learn and achieve their fullest potential while in class, it is critical that they are in school and engaged in the learning process.
- Research shows that student absences impact a child's ability to succeed in school.
- Student learning and engagement goes beyond pure academics. *Cont. on back*

## Activities from our Classrooms

**3/4**—The class has enjoyed learning how to use maps and learn what it was like to find an absolute location without the assistance of technology. Great fun was had by all as students used a fold out style map to plan step-by-step directions from Woodland to a destination of their choice. Math 3 students have wrapped up their chapter on multi-digit addition and subtraction. Math 4 students worked on rounding, estimation, and subtracting across zeros. The class has enjoyed the Diocesan 4th grade California Native Peoples and Missions program this week. In Religion students learned how to locate the Old and New Testament and books in the Bible. Students are diligently growing in service to others through their daily Love My Neighbor readings.

**TK/K**—In science, students focused on motion and words that describe motion such as speed and force. In social studies, students learned what respect means and how to act in respectful ways to yourself, places and things. In detail, students also learned how we can respect our Earth and the American flag. In religion, students learned how we need to appreciate that God gave us friends and how friends care for one another. In math, students used counting to identify a number that is 1 more or less than another number.

**7/8**—This week in history students learned about the Constitutional Convention and started watching the HBO mini series John Adams. We were able to see the aftermath of the Boston Massacre and what role John Adams took in it. In science students made either bumper stickers or comics about light or sound waves. We also discussed and created a Dia De Los Muertos Ofrenda (Day of the Dead Altar) were students have brought



in pictures of loved ones and pets who have gone to heaven. We will continue to learn more about this tradition this coming week.

**1/2**—This week 1st/2nd grade hosted Mass and Brayden did an amazing job with the mass readings. In Religion, we reviewed the Virtue of Prudence and talked about praising and thanking God for everything we have. In Social Studies we learned about different explorers around the world and about responsibility. In Grammar we reviewed Capitalizations, punctuations and subjects.

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## UC Davis STEM Squad Returns

This past Friday, junior high students were able to get a glimpse of what is to come with STEM Squad this coming year. Voluntary after school sessions (3-4 pm) begin Oct. 19. Students will sign up the morning of each session in order to help us prepare the room they will be meeting in. If you have a junior high student, please discuss whether they will be staying for each enrichment activity.

STEM Squad is an after school science program for middle school students facilitated by the UC Davis graduate student organization Equity in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Entrepreneurship (ESTEME). The goal of this enrichment program is to expose students to the many potential careers within science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields, and motivate them to pursue further education in these areas.



## Health and Safety Protocols

Please continue adhering to social distancing, wearing masks, and washing regularly while away from school to slow the spread of the Coronavirus. We will continue to do the same here at school! Also, please continue to screen students at home prior to arrival at school. If your child does have any symptoms, **even if only one**, keep them home and follow protocols outlined in our [2021-2022 HRS Blueprint for Fall](#). Yolo County health officials have said that in many of the recent cases of COVID in children and youth, that they are presenting much like a common cold. **Diagnosis and treatment should be under the close supervision of a qualified health care provider.** Call us in the office if you have questions or need any support. Please see our [COVID Updates and Resources page](#) which includes a Student Decision Symptom Tree.

See the [Student Decision Symptom Tree](#) for support in screening and determination of when a student should stay home. Always err on the side of safety if you are not certain, and check with your healthcare provider for guidance.

## Student Lunches

Please make sure your child brings a lunch in with them at drop off or signs up for lunch daily (they are free), but don't bring lunches after school has begun! We understand there are emergencies where lunches need to be left for students, but they are just that, emergencies. If you do have this situation, please contact the office before you bring it in and **DON'T BRING IN A RESTAURANT LUNCH!** Re-package it in a regular bag if you have no other option for a meal, no sodas will be allowed. Please plan ahead and be respectful of other students and our staff. Also, please remember if your child is attending EDP on a min. day, they will need a lunch. No lunches are provided by the district on those days.

## Positions Needed

We are currently in need of an Aide in our Extended Day Program. This is a M-F, 3-5 pm position.

This could be a volunteer, or paid position. We also need recess duty monitors. Our recesses are from 10:15-10:30 am and 12:15-1:00 pm, M-F. These would be a volunteer positions and parent service hours will be given.

## Students Absences and Returning to School

When students are not going to be attending school on any day, please contact the office at 530.662.3494 by 8:30 am. When students return to school, they must have a note with the reason for absence (no matter the reason—health or not) and it needs to be signed by parents/guardians— or a health care provider if appropriate. Copies of negative COVID test results (printed versions of screen captures are acceptable) or doctor diagnosis of alternative explanations are also needed. We must be informed of all students who are exposed to COVID 19 positive persons (including family members), those who have been quarantined by health care officials, or have tested positive to COVID 19.

## Student Absences Cont.

- Student engagement with their teacher, aides and other students are extremely valuable activities and often can't be duplicated.
- We have many holidays and teacher work days on the calendar, please consider utilizing those days for family travel. Our Thanksgiving break is a week long this year, and our Christmas and Easter breaks are even longer.
- It is not necessarily what your child is missing when they are out, but other students and teachers miss the contributions of your child too.
- The majority of the time your student will be behind when they return, thus creating extra worries and much of the time, anxiety and stress in your children. Also, you will be adding extra work for teachers and other staff members.

Please consider the implications of taking your children out of school for unexcused reasons!