



St. Michael School News

10/30/2020

Dear St. Michael School Community,

Happy Halloween! We are so thankful this week! It was an active day at school, and it was wonderful to have an opportunity to have some fun with the kids. There were a variety of fall and Halloween activities within class groupings in PE, during recess, and within the classrooms. There was even a door decorating competition. Those results will be shared with families and students next week. Thank you to everyone who helped support our school mission to support community and participated in the "Reverse Trick or Treat" to help support Millie's Pantry. Your generosity will go a long way in supporting the needs of families within the community.

Your hard work to keep the students, staff, and St. Michael School community healthy during this period of increased positive Covid-19 cases has not gone unnoticed. We are stronger and healthier because of our amazing families. I know this weekend will be particularly challenging if partaking in community and family activities for Halloween. Please be safe and continue to follow all safety protocols. We have made it through October safely and will continue to do our best at school to ensure that we will continue to have in-person instruction to celebrate the next holiday together. Thank you for all that you have done to help our students stay safe and to keep the school open.

Health and safety are just one area of concern for keeping the school doors open next year. Like many others, we are facing unsettling financial situations brought on by the lack of fundraising opportunities and cuts in funding. But with the support of St. Michael families and the Penn Yan community, this is a challenge that I know we can meet. We will begin to address these challenges with the return of the SMS Turkey Trot, which is now in its 9th year! This year's event will be done virtually. This presents some unique challenges but with everyone's support, we can make it a success. Registration for this event begins on Sunday, November 1, 2020 and can be accessed at the link below.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/PennYan/StMichaelSchoolVirtualTurkeyTrot>

In addition to this event, the students will be having a sponsored run event on November 23rd to promote healthy living and do their part to give back to the school community during school hours. Digital and printed forms will be sent home on Monday to start signing up sponsors. If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school. - With gratitude and prayers, Mrs. Marvin



Looking Ahead

November

Wednesday 11th- No School- Veterans Day

Monday 23rd- SMS Student Turkey Trot

Wednesday 25-27th- No School- Thanksgiving Break

Thursday 26th – No School- Turkey Trot!!!!