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# PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER

Weekly Newsletter from the desk of Principal Rodriguez

## CALENDAR

### Reminder

Every Monday, scrip orders are due at 8:30 AM, and every Friday, scrip is ready for pick up after 12:00 PM.

### September

Tuesday, Sept. 30. Fr. Ben brings communion to Cohort A.

### October

Wednesday, Oct 1. Fr. Ben brings communion to Cohort B.

Friday, Oct 2. Students can wear their spirit wear for Zoom meetings.

Friday, Oct 9. Students can wear their spirit wear for Zoom meetings.

Thursday, Oct 15. This will be a full day for Cohort B.

Friday, Oct 16. Teacher work day. No instruction.

Saturday, Oct 26. Wreath sale ends.

Dear ICRS Parents and Friends,

I'm hearing positive comments from parents regarding the work that teachers and staff are doing to bring the children to school. Parents tell me that the "children are happier" being at school. I am grateful to my staff for creating a loving environment in which your children thrive.

Below are pictures of our new full day preschool program, Stewardess Mrs. Reichlin preparing for Flight 8 to take off this year, Fr. Ben blessing 1st graders, and 7th graders enjoying some outside time. Happiness is...your children filling our halls again.

ICRS will continue to improve the hybrid model, making it robust and supportive for our students and families.

Peace and Joy,  
Principal Rodriguez



## FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

- WREATH ORDERS September 23rd - due by October 26th. See packets sent home last week. [Click here for online sales.](#)
- SCRIP. Parents can place orders [online](#) anytime or drop off orders at the office by 8:30 AM on Mondays. Orders are processed Monday mornings. Please note, if we do not receive enough weekly orders to cover the cost of FedEx shipping, the week's order will be placed the following week. Families will be notified. Orders are ready for pick up by Friday at noon. Next ThankScripingDay, Black Friday.
- We are still working with finance to revisit family obligations during COVID.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Yard duty, morning screening, pm traffic directing, pulling weeds, helping teachers. Contact Mrs. [Gaby Oropeza](#) in the school office if you are interested.
- Discount for volunteer hours. We are still working with finance to revisit family obligations during COVID.

## COVID UPDATE

- ***Skagit County's COVID data remain low, currently in the high twenties. We continue to focus on safety measures in the classroom and appreciate each of you doing your part to keep the numbers down.***
- While waiting in the ferry line, please turn off your car. We will open gates earlier to avoid back up on corner.
- We appreciate your patience in the ferry line. Please drive slowly.
- Parents of little ones in car seats, please have your little ones practice buckling themselves in so we can keep the ferry line moving and parents can stay in cars. If assistance is needed, parents can pull up behind the principal's car to buckle up.

## REMINDERS

- Lunch: students are eating lunch in the foyer while social distancing in cohorts. Students can bring lunch boxes as opposed to brown bags. Microwaves are unavailable.
- **INTERNET USE AGREEMENT:** As students return to school for learning, they will access instructional material via the school's internet. Please review the School's Internet Use Agreement [here](#). Parents and students must "sign" it electronically to indicate agreement with the policy.
- **TOUCHING SAFETY.** ICRS K-8 teachers will present a sexual abuse prevention program, the Touching Safety program, to our students in October and March. The creators of the Protecting God's Children™ program developed the Touching Safety program. This program is provided to us by the Archdiocese of Seattle and is a part of our ongoing effort to help create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse. To learn more about this program, [click here](#). To opt out of this program, [please submit this opt out form](#).
- PE shoes are worn when PE is provided in the gym. Non-marking PE shoes help to preserve the gym floor. If weather permits, PE will be outside with outside shoes.
- Send questions/feedback to [admissions@icrsweb.org](mailto:admissions@icrsweb.org). See our [FAQ](#) on our website

## THANK YOU

Thank you parents on my Finance, School Commission and Endowment committees. Thank you to Mrs. Fisher for creating the October birthday bulletin board, and Mrs. Natoli for helping with picture day. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for purchasing 5th grade Bibles.