

Lion's Roar: November 8, 2021

### Parents,

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, the following article from Love and Logic speaks to the important value in "doing good". Additionally, we have been including a Tech Tip in this newsletter for a couple of weeks now. We will continue to share tips and information so we can work in partnership to keep our children safe and to set healthy boundaries on devices.

"Due to its undisputed importance, people have spent tremendous energy trying different approaches to give kids good self-concept. Listed below are just a few of the many practices that have created kids who have a rather poor sense of self:

- Constant praise
- Ensuring that they are always the center of attention
- Making sure that they never encounter any hardships
- Buying them everything they want
- Rescuing them from the consequences of their misbehavior
- Setting no limits so that they can "express their creativity"
- Allowing unrestricted access and use of social media

There's only one approach that really works, and it's based on the following age-old truism:

## The best way to feel good is to do something good.

When parents place a high emphasis on good and respectful behavior, children look at themselves and think, "I act good and responsible. I must be good and responsible."

True self-concept is developed when children encounter struggles in the real world (not the digital world), learn how to overcome these struggles, and then see themselves acting in respectful and responsible ways. Stated quite simply, self-concept is an inside job. The best antidote to the negative effects of social media is helping our kids develop a healthy self-concept." -Love and Logic -Erin Candilora

"Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to stand before the Son of Man!" Amen

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## **Important Dates-**

November 10 7th/8th Grade Class Mass

November 12 Spirit Shirt Day

November 14 SAS Open House for Prospective Families

November 17 Used Uniform Winter Sale

November 22-26 No School- Thanksgiving Holidays

December 14-17 7th/8th Grade Exams

Tuesday, December 14 7th/8th Grade Early Dismissal; 9:35am 7th/8th Grade Early Dismissal; 10:50am 7th/8th Grade Early Dismissal; 11:15am

Friday, December 17 No School for PreK-6

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**COLD WEATHER UNIFORM REMINDERS**- We have several uniform options for students when the weather turns cold. Boys and Girls can wear St. Aloysius sweatpants, sweatshirts, navy uniform sweater, the navy blue uniform jacket, or the navy uniform fleece. Other jackets/coats may be worn outside only. Girls have the option to wear white, navy, or black tights **or** leggings under their uniform. They can also wear a long sleeve white turtleneck or long sleeve white t-shirt under a jumper. If they chose sweatpants, those are worn without the jumper or skirt. For all students, the sweatpants must be worn with a uniform shirt. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Dozier.

#### **USED UNIFORM WINTER SALE**

The Used Uniform Winter Sale is Back! Sweatshirts, jackets, and sweatpants on sale. Wednesday, November 17 7:15am-7:45am Located on the walkway between the library and primary school building. Cash or check will be accepted.

**DISMISSAL**: At promptly 3:10 p.m., remaining students not picked up from carpool will be sent to the After Care Program in the library and the following fees will be charged per child: 3:10-3:30 p.m. -\$6.00; 3:30-4:00 p.m. -\$10.00; 4:00-5:00 p.m. -\$13.00; 5:00-5:30 p.m. -\$16.00. In any circumstance when a parent or other carpooling adult is trying to locate a student, he/she should check in the office or with the After Care in the library. The school phone rolls over to the Library after 3:25p.m.

# TOILETRY ITEM COLLECTION FOR VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA-

**November 15-17-** The second graders will be leading a drive to collect personal hygiene items for the Volunteers of America homeless shelter. Each grade will have a box in their hallway to collect items. We will be collecting travel size or regular size items. These include soap, hand sanitizer, deodorant, lotion, shower gel, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and washcloths. Please see below flyer for more information.

## **OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE NEW STUDENTS:**

Sunday, November 14, 2021 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sign up on the school website at: <a href="https://www.aloysius.school/admissions-general">https://www.aloysius.school/admissions-general</a>

**TECH TIP:** Do you need to have your phone out? Family meals are a great time for conversation, catching up on the day, and developing relationships. Car rides are a great time for talking, singing, and playing games like I Spy. Cooking together not only supports relationships but also engages your child in using math and literacy skills. Consider whether technology is getting in the way of precious family time together.

It's time to look in the mirror. Do you watch hours of television or movies each night? Is the television on in the background, even when no one is watching? Do you have your cell phone at the dinner table? Do you play games online in the middle of the night? Consider what your technology use models for your child. Your child learns from you.

**LIONS IN ACTION**: Congratulations to our Football, Swim, and Girls' Basketball teams for successful seasons!

ALTAR SERVER TRAININGS: St. Aloysius Church invites any student 5th grade or above to become trained to serve as an Altar Server at Mass. Trainings for new servers will be held Sunday Nov 14th (immediately following 11am Mass) as well as Monday and Tuesday (November 15 & 16) immediately following school. Sunday's training will end shortly after 1pm. Monday & Tuesday's trainings will end at 4pm. Any current server who wishes to also attend these training sessions is welcome as well. We look forward to welcoming your children into this deeply rewarding ministry. To reserve a spot for your son or daughter please use this link.

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