



St. Rose School

CHELSEA, MA

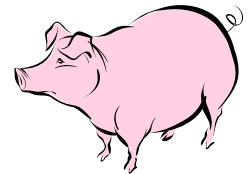
September 29, 2011

Dear Families,

I hope this finds you all well. We have been having a great week here at school. I'm happy to say that during the month of September we have been highlighting the character trait of respect. On Friday morning at our community gathering, we will be presenting one student from each class with an award for modeling respect here at school. It was hard for the teachers to pick just one student, because most of our students show respect every day! It would be great if you could have a conversation with your children at home about respect as well. There are many great things going on here at St. Rose in the coming week. Please read on:

Fall Clubs: Please see the attached paper to sign your child up for a fall club. Clubs will meet from 2:15-3:15 every Wednesday for ten weeks. There will be no clubs on Wednesday, November 23 because of Thanksgiving vacation. The last day of fall clubs will be Wednesday, December 14. Please consider allowing your child this opportunity of participating in one of these enrichment options! Permission slips **MUST** be returned by next Wednesday, October 5 in order for your child to participate.

Meadow Farms Fundraiser: Did you enjoy the pies on Back-to-School Night? Those were the same pies we sell as part of this fundraiser, which is going home today! Flip through the catalog and see all of the wonderful things for sale! You can use the paper order form included in the envelope or order online (directions on paper inside envelope). Invite friends, neighbors, family members, and co-workers to do their Christmas shopping early and support St. Rose School! This fundraiser will go until Thursday, October 13. The classes with more than 50% participation will get to be a part of a pig race in the gym, and the winning class will get a pizza party. Last year, 7th grade won. Who will it be this year???



St. Rose on Facebook: St. Rose School is officially on **Facebook!** Check out our page at: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Rose-School/174719982596857>. Our plan is to use this page as a tool to keep you (parents) informed and share pictures and good news throughout the year. Thanks to those of you who have already found the page and started interacting with it!

Communication via Email: If you would like to receive the newsletter and other information via **email**, please go to www.strosechelsea.com/contact/emailsignup.html and enter your information. We will gladly begin keeping you informed electronically! If you know alumni of St. Rose School, please encourage them to sign up as well, because we plan to start a newsletter which will be primarily for our alumni. Please ask Ms. Keeton if you have any questions.



Mark Your Calendar!: Do you have friends or family members who are interested in sending their children to a Catholic school? Please tell them that on Sunday, October 16 we are going to have students speaking at all of the Masses at St. Rose Church and greeting people as they leave. After the Spanish Mass, at 1pm, we will have an Open House in the school for prospective families. Please help to spread the word! We have found in the past that happy parents are the greatest salespeople!

Mark Your Calendar Again!: The Annual St. Rose School **Christmas Festival** will be held on December 2-3, 2011. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we really need everyone's help! If you are interested in playing an active role in the planning of this event, please mark your calendar for Wednesday, October 5 at 6pm. This will be our first planning meeting. We are hoping to have enough people to chair each committee (punch board, baked goods, food, etc.)



Lunches: Please see attached letter to order the **school lunch** for your child for the week of October 3-7. You need to send this back in even if you receive free lunch, or if you are choosing not to get lunch this week for our records. Thank you.

FTO Water Bottles: Some of you have already learned this the hard way, but please do not put the blue water bottles in the dishwasher. The high temperatures cause the plastic to melt. It is best to wash these by hand. Thank you!



Tag Day: Next Friday, October 7 will be our first Tag Day. For \$1.00, students may choose to wear pink instead of their uniform on this day. All money collected will go to support those who are battling breast cancer. Missions for the month of October will also go toward this important cause, as October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. We have teachers, mothers, and grandmothers here at St. Rose who have been affected by this disease.

Volunteer Opportunities: Many thanks to everyone who turned in forms last week. You will be contacted soon about helping here at school!

Name in Clothing: We have already begun to receive complaints about disappearing sweaters, etc. Please put your child's name in **each article of clothing** with permanent marker. Thank you!



BrainPOP: We have a great new program at St. Rose! Check out www.brainpop.com. Our username is: strosechelsea and our password is: 580broadway. You have unlimited, 24-hour access to these **educational videos** at home, and we will be using them here at school as well!

Box Tops: Don't forget to save your **Box Tops!** Please tear them off of products you buy and use at home. They help our school to raise money! Thank you!



Blessings,

Caitlin Keeton, Principal

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