



Nazareth School

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Dear Parents:

Today's Fall Family Picnic was a wonderful community opportunity to enjoy these early Autumn days. Thank you to our Grillmaster, Mr. German Feuchter and his team and the PTG Board for their assistance, including the invitation to Kona Ice to provide the dessert. Plans continue for the Halloween Carnival; make sure that you have checked in with your children's class room parents to see how you can help make this a truly spook-tacular event!

While our community is busy with social and co-curricular activities, it is also a busy one inside the classrooms. The inquisitive minds of our Nazareth students may be found investigating many different things. Here's a few examples from our teachers:

- ❖ Kindergarten: The Kinders are learning about the life cycle of a pumpkin in preparation for their field trip to the pumpkin patch.
- ❖ 1st Grade: The 1st graders are also getting ready for their upcoming field trip to the pumpkin patch. They are studying the life cycles of plants by growing different plants in the classroom.
- ❖ 2nd Grade: The second graders are creating landform posters. They are also expanding and combining sentences as they learn more about writing.
- ❖ 3rd Grade: Third graders are practicing their times tables with awesome songs. They are writing about their favorite Halloween activity in an opinion piece. Science lessons are helping them learn about all of the fascinating tributes of light.
- ❖ 4th Grade: The 4th graders are learning about the Native Americans and how they lived. The students will soon be reading *Island of the Blue Dolphins*. In grammar, they are learning about different types of nouns and what a helping verb is.
- ❖ 5th Grade: Fifth graders have just completed their study of the founding of the 13 original colonies. They are now ready to explore the War of Independence in preparation of the "Walk Through the American Revolution" program.
- ❖ 6th Grade: Students in 6th Grade Social Studies analyzed and evaluated the birth of civilization in Mesopotamia. They compared and contrasted the civilizations found in the region. Now each student will construct a Powerpoint presentation to demonstrate his/her knowledge.
- ❖ 7th Grade: The 7th graders are studying the history of the Holocaust – its atrocities as well as the roots and ramifications of prejudice, racism and stereotyping in any society. Additionally, the 7th graders have been practicing the faith tradition of examining their consciences and reflecting on the Ten Commandments.
- ❖ 8th Grade: In literature, the 8th graders are finishing their study of *Flowers for Algernon*. In religion, they are studying the early Church during the Roman Empire and the beginning of the Middle Ages.
- ❖ Jr. High Science: The 7th graders are already hard at work on their science fair projects!
- ❖ PE: In PE students have been working on all different types of skills with Volleyball. The activities and games have been fun as the students are working hard and improving each week.
- ❖ Spanish: Fourth grade Spanish students are playing Bingo to learn the Spanish names of different animals. The 3rd graders love to be challenged in Spanish. Their focus is using syllables to form words.
- ❖ Art: In K-8 Art classes the students read the book *Say Something* by Peter H. Reynolds. Each student then created a speech bubble filled with drawings about their talents. Their work will be on display on the boards outside of the Art room.

Get your children involved in telling you more about the learning taking place in their classrooms!

Blessings,

Dr. Colleen Mauricio, Principal