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November Newsletter

Attached to this newsletter is a calendar for the month of November. Please post at home.

AriSon will be in concert here at St. Mark's on Wednesday, Nov. 5. They will perform for the school children at 1:00 PM. There will be another performance at 7:00 PM in the gym which will be open to our school children, parents, church members, and community. (This is the group that performs the song, "God is Great.")

Parents – When you are picking up your child (ren) after school and the children are playing on the parking lot, **please park on the street**. Anytime the gate is closed and children are on the playground (recess, gym, or aftercare), parents should be parking on the street.

Parent–Teacher Conferences: By now you have received your form to fill out for Parent Teacher Conferences. Please send back to your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible so conferences can be scheduled for later this month. **There is a ½ day (11:30 AM dismissal) on Tuesday, Nov. 25 and no school on Wednesday, Nov. 26 for these conferences.** *There is no Aftercare on Tuesday, the 25th.*

NO SCHOOL: LSA Conference for Teachers – Nov. 7, Veterans' Day – Tuesday, Nov. 11 **and** for Thanksgiving on Nov. 27 and 28. There is a **half day of school** on Nov. 14 – 11:30 AM dismissal. *Aftercare will be available on the 14th until 4 PM.*

Spirit Day – November 21 – Pajama Day. In addition to your children being able to wear pajamas to school, we are once again collecting pajamas for needy children. Please bring in a pair of new pajamas on Spirit Day and these will be given to a Yonkers Women and Children's shelter. Sneakers should be worn for those students who have gym.

Because we are collecting pajamas on Spirit Day, there will not be a food collection to dress down on our half day on November 14. All children may dress down.

Thanksgiving Food Drive: As is our tradition at St. Mark's, we will once again have a Thanksgiving food drive at our **Thanksgiving Chapel on Tuesday, Nov. 25.** Please bring in nonperishable food items – boxed and canned which will be used to replenish the Yonkers Food Pantry. Chapel is at 10:45 AM.

Dress Code – It is time to put away those polo shirts and shorts for students in Grades 1 -8. According to our dress code, polo shirts, dress shorts, and gym shorts are not to be worn from November 1 through April 14. Boys are to wear a burgundy tie **every** day.

Looking ahead to December:

Christmas Boutique - Thursday, December 4.
The children shop between 8:30 and 3:00 with their classes.

Friday, Dec. 5 - **The Boutique continues** - vendors, a visit from Santa, carols from the school chorus, refreshments, and raffles. 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM.

We are still looking for vendors. If you are interested in being a vendor, call the school office or download a flyer from the school website. (It's under the fundraising link.)

Carol Sing - Wednesday, December 17
The Pre-K 3 & 4 service will begin at 4:00 PM. The Kind- Grade 8 service will begin at 5:30 PM. PTL will host a reception between the two services. All children are expected to be in attendance.
THERE IS NO AFTERCARE ON DECEMBER 17!

