

# NEWS AND NOTES for the Week of September 12, 2016

Monday, September 12	Full day of school for all students. AM and PM CARES begin. Free breakfast and hot lunch begins.
Tuesday, September 13	1:00 PM Confession for Grades 3-8
Wednesday, September 14	3:00 – 4:00 PM Children’s Choir Practice 7:00 PM Back to School Night for Parents of Students in Grades 6,7,8
Thursday, September 15	7:00 PM Back to School Night for Parents of Students in Grades 1-5
Friday, September 16	8:30 AM Opening Mass for students in Grades 1-8
Sunday, September 18	10:30 AM Catechetical Sunday Mass at Resurrection of Our Lord

Welcome back to another great school year at Resurrection Regional Catholic School. We are happy you are with us as we prepare for another year of learning and fun. There are many exciting events planned for this year. Please read “This Week’s News and Notes” every week to find out what is happening for the week as well as what will be happening throughout the year. Keep in mind that we have gone paperless. Therefore, the website and email will be our primary means of communication with you. Please feel free to email us anytime or call the school if you have any questions or concerns.

## Back to School Nights



At least one parent should plan to attend Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 14 or Thursday, September 15 at 7:00 pm. Parents with children in Grades 6,7,8 are invited to attend on Wednesday. Parents with children in Grades 1-5 are invited to attend on Thursday. **Please note that this is a change from the original school calendar that had 5<sup>th</sup> grade on Wednesday.** It’s a great opportunity to meet your child’s teacher, see the classroom and get a sense of what your child will be learning this year. PreK and Kindergarten parents had their opportunity to meet the teacher and see the classroom during the first week of school.

## Arrival and Dismissal

I ask all parents to begin the new school year with a great sense of urgency surrounding the policies for arrival and dismissal. Cooperation from all parents is the only way to insure safety for the students during these busy times. **PLEASE NOTE: Shelmire Ave. and Vista Street are Drop-Off zones only. Large Street is a bus Drop-Off Zone. No parking is allowed in these areas and cars will be ticketed. No car may be double-parked at arrival or dismissal times.**

During the school year, your child will begin each day in the schoolyard. The signal for students to line up in the school yard will be given each morning at 7:55 AM. We will move the students to the classroom and allow for better use of the minutes at the beginning of the morning session. Students not in the school yard at 7:55 AM will be directed to the classrooms via the breezeway doors by school staff. **Students will be considered late for school if they are not in their classroom by 8:05 AM.** Students arriving **later than 8:05 AM** are to enter through the main entrance on Shelmire Avenue. A late slip will be given at that time. During inclement weather, the students will report to the school hall rather than the schoolyard and teachers will meet them there.

Students are dismissed in lines based on street corners. All students must stay with their dismissal lines until they reach the appropriate corner – **no exceptions!** Students will be walked to the corner by the teachers and parents are asked to meet the children there. The crossing guard will safely cross the children to parents as they wait at the corner noted in the table below. The teacher responsible for a particular line may not be the child’s teacher and will not know which child “goes with” which parent. We are responsible for all students and must insure their safety. Your cooperation with all school procedures is of the utmost importance.

The dismissal lines are as follows:

Dismissal Line	Corners
Large	Shelmire Ave. and Large St.
Vista	Vista St. and Large St.

If you prefer to wait in your car for your child then you **must** go in the Car Line. The Car Line will form in the schoolyard on a first come, first served basis. Enter the schoolyard from Large St. A teacher will walk your child to the schoolyard and your child will meet you at your car.

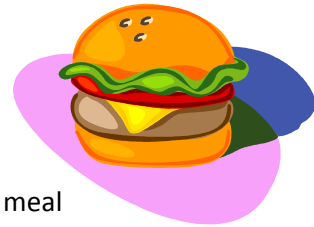
If your child is eligible for busing, a teacher will insure that he/she is safely placed on the correct bus. If your child goes to CARES, a teacher will walk your child directly to CARES.

Kindergarten children are dismissed at 2:40 PM and parents are expected to meet them at the end of the ramp in the schoolyard. PreKindergarten children are dismissed at 2:30 PM to parents waiting at the Large St. doors.

### **Free Breakfast and Hot Lunch for ALL Students**

Beginning Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering **free** breakfast and lunch at Resurrection Regional Catholic School. **All students are eligible, Grades PreK through 8.** Breakfast, consisting of such items as cereal, bagels, orange juice and milk, will be distributed ONLY from 7:30 to 7:40 and must be consumed before the opening bell. Children in Grades K-8 should report to the cafeteria at 7:30 am for breakfast. (PreK will follow a different procedure as explained during Orientation Night.)

The lunch menu will be posted on the school website as well as emailed to parents. There was a problem with the September lunch menu sent to us by NDS. For some reason, they printed it in orange and the changes we made were not posted correctly. We are working on a corrected calendar and will post and email it as soon as it is completed. We recommend that you print it and place it on your refrigerator so you will know the menu for each day. You must pack a lunch for your child on the days he or she does not want what is being served. On rare occasions, the posted lunch meal will be changed due to an overstock or wrong delivery. On those days, if your child does not want the substituted meal, he or she will be allowed to call home so you can bring in a lunch.



### **My Students' Progress (MSP)**

This year we will again use MSP for our Student Information System. It should be available to you as of Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. If you were previously able to log on, your username and password should be the same. If you are new to our school or your log on does not seem to work, please check your email for the pin number and link to the website. As always, please let the school know if you are having any difficulty logging on.

### **Home and School News**

The Home and School Association is a very active organization here at Resurrection Regional. They work tirelessly for the good of the school and have many great events planned for this year. Please consider becoming a member. Dues are only \$5.00 per year. Also, if you attend every meeting for the 2016-2017 school year, you will be entered in a \$50 drawing to be applied to your tuition for the 2017-2018 school year. All Home and School forms and flyers can be found under the Parent Resources Link on the school website under Home and School.

Save the dates for the upcoming exciting events planned by the Home and School for the 2016-2017 school year.

Saturday, October 8 – Octoberfest (sponsored by Resurrection of Our Lord Parish) (**FLYER**)

Friday, October 29 @ 6:45 pm – Halloween Movie Night (**FLYER**)

Saturday, November 12 – Designer Bag Bingo (**FLYER**)

Saturday, December 3 – Christmas Craft Show with Santa

Saturday, February 18 – Comedy Night

February 2 - March 8 – Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser

Sunday, March 19 – Father Daughter Dance

Saturday, April 8 – Mother Son Bingo

Saturday, April 22 & Sunday, April 23 – Song and Dance Dinner Show

## **Children's Choir**

Children in Grades 3 - 8 have the opportunity to join the children's choir. Forms can be downloaded from the FORMS link on the website. The practice schedule is posted under the Calendar link. The first rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00-4:00 PM.

## **Scholarship News**

### **Children's Scholarship Fund Philadelphia**

CSFP scholarship applications for the 2017-18 school year will open in September. Applicants can increase their chances of winning a CSFP scholarship by applying, in person, at our launch event to win 1 of 100 "opening day" scholarships.

### **2017-18 Lottery Application Launch Event\***

**The Please Touch Museum- Carousel House**

**4231 Avenue of the Republic**

**Philadelphia, PA 19131**

**September 14, 2016 @9:45 – 10:30 AM**

*\*Families unable to attend the launch event may apply online (starting September 14) to be one of 2,000 scholarship winners through CSFP's regular lottery. Priority is given to applicants who submit by November 15th. Only one application per family allowed.*

## **Octoberfest at Resurrection of Our Lord Parish**

A fun-filled fundraiser for the school will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2016. Join us in the schoolyard for Octoberfest after the 4:30 Mass until 9:3000 pm. There will be great German food, chances, games for the kids and, of course, beer! Tickets are only \$20.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. Admission includes food and 2 beers (adults only.) All proceeds will benefit the school. Plan on joining us for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Octoberfest. Tickets will be available after Mass each weekend or from the school office. Please send in your money in an envelope marked "Octoberfest." Be sure to include the number of Adult and Child tickets you will be ordering as well as your child's room number. See order form for more details.

## **Shop Amazon Smile and Benefit Our School**

We are thrilled to announce that our school has now been registered with Amazon Smile! AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support our school every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our school! To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to <http://smile.amazon.com> from the web browser on your computer or mobile device. You may also want to add a bookmark to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile.

Please consider doing all your online shopping through [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). It's simple. You use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same. On your first visit to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)), you need to select Resurrection Regional Catholic School before you begin shopping. AmazonSmile will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) will result in a donation.

## **Box Tops and Labels for Education**

Once again this year, we will be participating in both Box Tops for Education and Labels for Education. Mrs. Powers has volunteered to organize this and we thank her for her dedication to this program. If any parent, grandparent, friend, etc. could volunteer an hour once in a while to help out Mrs. Powers, it would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the school at 215-742-1127 if you are able to give us a little of your time. In the meantime, when you shop, be on the lookout for products with these labels. Send them into school with your child(ren) in envelopes or plastic bags. Every one you send in means money for our school! More information is **posted** on the website under parent resources.



## **SCRIP Program**

We have GREAT NEWS about our Resurrection SCRIP program! Those of you who already use it will now be able to receive even more tuition benefits, those who don't use it, NOW is the time to start. In addition to stopping by the Scrip office during operating hours, we are now set up to sell SCRIP and accept payments for SCRIP online. There are hundreds of retailers and setting up an account for your family is easy! Go to the following website, <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/getstarted/index.aspx>. In the bottom of the left hand column under "Join your existing scrip program" click on "click here". Enter the requested information and accept the terms. The next step will require entering an enrollment code for Resurrection. Our code is case sensitive and is as follows: BFLEF1759329.

Once you enter this code you are enrolled in Shop with Scrip and you can order anything that is available. You have two options for how you would like to pay for your SCRIP order. You can take a check to the SCRIP office in the Rectory, and your purchase will be released to you when it arrives. You can also enroll in Presto Pay. Presto Pay will allow you to pay for your scrip purchase online. The advantage of Presto Pay is that select retailers will allow you to reload existing gift cards or print gift cards from your computer. Sometimes we need something at the last minute, and being able to print at home from select retailers, who offer "Scrip Now" or gift card reloading, makes it possible to purchase on demand! Please note that approval of Presto Pay will take a few business days, so if this is something you would like to take advantage of, please take a few minutes to get the process started! Look for the Presto Pay link on the "My Account" page for Shop with Scrip.

We hope you will take advantage of this excellent opportunity. We know that many of you make great sacrifices to educate your children, and SCRIP can help ease that financial burden. This is a voluntary program, and is open to everyone who would like to take advantage of it.

If you would like to stop into our Scrip office, in the Rectory, to purchase grocery gift cards that we have on hand or drop of a check for an existing order, the hours are as follows:

Sunday 9AM to 11AM  
Monday 9AM to 11AM  
Tuesday 1:15 PM to 2:45 PM  
Wednesday 6PM to 8PM  
Thursday 1:15 PM to 2:45PM  
Friday 9AM to 11AM AND 6PM to 8PM  
Saturday 9AM to 11AM



For any further questions, email our SCRIP coordinator, Rosemarie at [Rosewie@comcast.net](mailto:Rosewie@comcast.net) or call the SCRIP office at 215-745-5021.

## **SIGN-UPS FOR SWIM TEAM**

A Parent Meeting & sign-ups will be held Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the school hall at Resurrection Regional. All Resurrection, Our Lady of Ransom, & St. Martin of Tours Parish school children, prep students and private, public and charter students who are active members of their Parishes in Grades K through 9 & who can swim one length of a 25 yd. pool unassisted are eligible to participate. Cost for the season is \$80.00 per swimmer. All questions will be answered during the meeting. Should you have any that cannot wait until the meeting, please email Kim @ [kimyellin268@gmail.com](mailto:kimyellin268@gmail.com).

## Girl Scout News

Being a Girl Scout is a fun way to meet new friends and earn badges by participating in fun and different activities including being a helping hand in our community. All girls (Grades K-12) and their parents are invited to attend Registration Night on Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the Resurrection School Hall. Please contact Deborah Aquilino if you have any questions. (267-205-8603)

## Cub Scout News – Pack 394 - Resurrection of Our Lord

Boys in grades 1-5 come join us as a Cub Scout. Why not try something you've never experienced before. Meet new friends, help your community, and participate in different activities earning badges and awards at the same time!

September 24<sup>th</sup> – Cub Pack 394 will host an Open House & Informational Pack Meeting from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the school hall. Pack 394 is open to all boys in grades 1 thru 5 interested in joining scouts. Bring a friend and find out what scouting is about!! If you are interested and cannot make the open house on September 24<sup>th</sup> please call Janet Davidson at (d) 215-728-8694, (e) 215-342-2256 or John Handley at 215-816-2079.

### **Upcoming activities planned:**

September 27<sup>th</sup> – **Philadelphia Flyers Game** @ the Wells Fargo Center 7:00 p.m. Tickets are all sold out!!

October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> – Popcorn sales at Wawa. See Janet and John for sign-ups for ***all*** scouts.

October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> – Popcorn sales outside of church after all masses. ***All*** scouts see Janet and John for sign-ups!

October 15<sup>th</sup> – **Linvilla Orchards- Hayride/Bonfire with hot dogs, apple cider, and marshmallows**

Come join Cub Pack 394 for a celebration of fall with the entire family. First, we'll take a hayride through the farm. Afterwards, we'll roast hot dogs and marshmallows over the campfire.

**Must be there by 6:15 pm. Cost is \$10 per person**

***Responses & Payments due before October 8<sup>th</sup> to either John Handley or Janet Davidson***

### **Den Meeting Schedules in the school hall:**

**Tigers** – Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

**Wolves & Bears** – Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

**Webelos I** – Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.

**Webelos II** – Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the school hall

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 23	7:00 – 10:00 PM School Dance for Grades 5-8 (permission form required)
Friday, October 7	8:30 Mass for Students Grades 1-8 September Peacemakers certificates awarded after Mass.
Saturday, October 8	2 <sup>nd</sup> annual Octoberfest at Resurrection