

Dear Parents:

Welcome back! We had a great first week of the second quarter and there are a lot of tremendous things going on at our school. This week we began bringing some St. Mary's classes down to St. Lawrence so everyone could meet each other in a school setting. Our two schools have been sending pen pal letters to each other and now they can meet their pals in person. We had visits from the kindergarten, first grade, and second grade classes. It was amazing to see how well the students got along with each other and how much fun everyone had during the visits. We will continue with the visits next week so that every grade has had a chance to come to St. Lawrence. I am super excited about the merger and all of the opportunities in presents to our students.

Some new furniture arrived this week as our new wobble chairs were delivered. These chairs have several benefits for our students:

1. **IMPROVE POSTURE** | The Kore Wobble Chair transforms the conventional seat into a playground for your child's imagination. Encouraging active sitting and allowing one's knees, hips and back to find comfortable and ever-changing positions
2. **SUPERIOR FOCUS** | Continuous movement while sitting relaxes the right side of the brain, leading to better focus. Helps people that are diagnosed with all forms of ADD, ADHD, and Autism
3. **ENERGY OUTLET** | By Increasing secondary focus the Kore Wobble Chair provides an outlet to move around without distracting other students or co-workers.

Our new cafeteria tables and our science lab furniture is due to arrive some time in November. These items are all a part of our strategic plan to improve our facilities and offer our students a superior educational experience.

God Bless!

Mr. Detzel

St. Lawrence LIVE – St. Lawrence LIVE takes place this Saturday starting at 6:00. We cannot wait to see you there!

Halloween Parade and Luncheon – Next Thursday We will have our Halloween Parade outside weather permitting. The students can wear their costumes to school and then be out of dress code the rest of the day for \$1. **The parade will start at 10:00 a.m.** Hopefully the temperature will be warm. Parents may view the parade from either behind the fences or in a designated area.

Parent/Teacher Conferences – Teachers should have reached out to you about setting up any needed parent/teacher conferences. These will be held by phone due to Covid restrictions.

Report Cards for the 1st Quarter – Report cards for the 1st quarter are now available for viewing on Jupiter.

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Important Dates

10/22/21 – Report Cards Available on Jupiter

10/23/21 – St. Lawrence Live

10/28/21 – Halloween Parade and Luncheon

11/10/21 – E-Learning Day

Academic Corner

Homework improves student achievement.

Studies show that homework improves student achievement in terms of improved grades, test results, and the likelihood to attend college. Research published in the High School Journal indicates that students who spent between 31 and 90 minutes each day on homework “scored about 40 points higher on the SAT-Mathematics subtest than their peers, who reported spending no time on homework each day, on average.” On both standardized tests and grades, students in classes that were assigned homework outperformed 69% of students who didn’t have homework. A majority of studies on homework’s impact – 64% in one meta-study and 72% in another – showed that take home assignments were effective at improving academic achievement.

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