



# Holy Cross Stars Academy

Where Every Child Shines

## October Newsletter

Good Afternoon Parents,

September has flown by and fall has finally arrived. The children are settling into routines. They are immersing themselves in friendships, play and learning. They are happy and actively engaged in classroom activities. This month the teachers will be introducing their first themed unit of study. Both classes will begin with the topic “balls”; thereafter the classes will focus on different themes. Be on the lookout for an introduction letter from your teacher about the unit.

This year, we will have class parents. Due to the size of the classes I anticipate no more than two parents for each class. Class parents will help during fundraising events, assist staff with special events (Books Come Alive, Parent/Child activities), organize staff gifts for holidays and teacher recognition day, welcome new parents, etc. If interested please inform me or Joanne by October 4, 2024. If more than two parents are interested, the class parents will be selected through a random drawing.

For planning purposes, please be aware of the special dates for this month:

October 1	Homemade Cookie Day (Students only, baking activity)
October 9	Parent workshop for 3/4s - 7:00 PM
October 14	School closed – Italian Heritage Day
October 15	Ashley Farms fundraiser ends
October 17	National Pasta Day
October 22	3- and 4-year-old class trip to the Library
October 28	Agia Skepi /Church Attendance & OXI Day
October 31	Books Come Alive (flyer to follow)

### Gentle Reminders

- Cold and flu season will be upon us soon. Please remember to provide the school with documentation of the influenza vaccine prior to the Christmas break.
- Tuition must be up to date and paid on time to avoid a penalty.
- Student goals and acknowledgment of receiving the Parent Handbook must be returned to your teacher.

Thank you for your dedication to our program and your personal involvement. Your support makes Stars Academy a special place for all our children. Don't hesitate to contact me or Joanne if you have any questions or concerns.

Regards,  
Cathy Helfrich  
Education Director