

## *Student Life Update by Mrs. B*

### *Our Teachers, Parents, Alumni, Parishioners, and Alumni Parents Are Sponsoring Activities for All Ages!*

#### *Chess Club*

The choices for after school activities continue to grow and there is something for everyone in our St. Rose family! This week we visited our Chess Club, a popular club for over five years at our school. Parishioner, Glen Budzinski, “Mr. B” has been teaching and coaching St. Rose students for many years; this year alumnus, Logan McAloon, who was once a member of the Chess Team; is joining Mr. B to help coach the team. We want to thank Mr. B and Logan for working with our students this year!



#### *Mock Trial*

Alumni dad and attorney, Ed Walsh, visited St. Rose this week to meet with our middle schoolers and tell them more about the Mock Trial opportunities. Mr. Walsh is joined by Mr. Ed Brady, also an alumni dad, both have worked with our students for many years coaching our Mock Trial teams. The Walsh and Brady children were all members of the teams when they attended St. Rose; and both dads have continued coming back each year, even after their children graduated to keep this activity going! We thank both Mr. Walsh and Mr. Brady, who along with teacher Ms. Vertucci, will bring this exciting opportunity to our students again this year! Many students have signed up, we are still accepting members, hoping, this year, to sponsor two teams. If your child is interested after Mr. Walsh’s enthusiastic presentation, please contact the office for membership details and forms.



### **Special October Visit**

It's Fire Prevention Month and the annual visit, to our preschool and kindergarten, from our Newtown firefighters brought happy smiles to warm up the chilly day on Thursday! Firefighter Rivera, one of our St. Rose dads, has been bringing the excitement of the red fire engine to our littlest family members for many years. Our future firefighters and friends thank the Newtown Fire Department for this annual visit and the hats and activity bags they bring to us each visit!



### **Sister Coaching Sisters**

Mrs. Rahtelli is offering an after school soccer program for our primary students. She has a helper in sixth grader, Olivia Franson, who had the opportunity to coach her twin sisters during the program. Thank you to Mrs. Rahtelli for bringing sports fun to our primary students!



### **We Have a Girls' Varsity Team!**

Mr. Canlas is our new Girls' Varsity Basketball coach; he is assisted by alumna Victoria Kirkman. Thank you to Mr. Canlas on coaching his first year at St. Rose and to Victoria for coming back to work with our team. We wish our girls best of luck in the upcoming season!



### **Phase Two of the Class of 2018 Gift**

Some members of the Class of 2018 returned to school on Saturday for the next phase of getting ready for the Kindness Mural. The morning was spent painting the tiles that were also made by the alumni and families. Our official installation date for the mural is November 5-6. Watch for details on the blessing celebration.



Be on the lookout for more programs; ideas from our students are pouring in... Volleyball, Ultimate Frisbee, Cartooning Club, the list continues to grow! We thank all those who have dedicated their time, to keep programs going, and to add new and exciting ones this year!

***Don't forget to mark your calendar for High School Open House and Entrance Exams this weekend!***

**Immaculate High School**

Placement Exam: October 27 and November 10

Enrollment Application and Financial Aid Deadline: November 10

Enrollment Decision and Financial Aid Notifications: December 15

Learn more: [www.immaculatehs.org](http://www.immaculatehs.org)

**Fairfield Prep**

Entrance Exams:

November 17 8:30am or 1:30pm

Learn more: [www.FairfieldPrep.org](http://www.FairfieldPrep.org)

**Westover School**

Information Sessions:

November 3rd 4:30-6:30pm

December 1st 1-3pm

Learn more: [www.westoverschool.org/admissions/information-sessions](http://www.westoverschool.org/admissions/information-sessions) or 203-577-4502

**St. Joseph High School**

Open Houses: December 5th 6:30-8:00pm

2 Day Exam Prep Course:

October 19(6-9pm) and October 20(9am-1pm)

Entrance Exam: October 27 and November 10 7:30am-12:00pm

Application Deadline: November 12

**Holy Cross High School**

Open House: October 21st at 2pm

Placement Exams: October 27th and December 1st at 8:00am

Shadow Days can be scheduled through May

Admissions Tours and Presentations (begin at 6:30pm except where noted):

October 8th; 13th(11am)

December 11

February 12

March 12

April 9

Learn more: [www.HolyCrossHS-ct.com/admissions](http://www.HolyCrossHS-ct.com/admissions)

**Notre Dame High School-Fairfield**

Open House: October 21st 1pm (please pre-register at [notredame.org](http://notredame.org))

Entrance Exam: October 27th at 8am (please pre-register at [notredame.org](http://notredame.org))

*We end our week, as a community, in prayer for all our families, friends,  
and those who are in need; may they know the love and kindness of  
others and find joy in each new day!*

*Have wonderful weekend and  
may the week ahead be filled with many blessings!*

