



St. Francis Xavier Elementary Marquette Campus

Dates for your Calendar:

- **November 15-December 3**—Share the Love Food Drive.
- **Friday, November 19**—**Paid Casual Day** to benefit St. Vincent de Paul. For 25¢ (or more) your child may wear the clothing of their choice.
- **Tuesday, Nov. 23**—**Free Casual Day.**
- **November 24-26**—**Thanksgiving Break.** Enjoy your time off!
- **November 30**—Last KidStage for this fall session. Session #2 begins on Jan. 11.
- **Wednesday, Dec. 1**—No school Mass today; we will celebrate Mass on Dec. 3.
- **Friday, Dec. 3**—**St. Francis Xavier Feast Day!** Xavier Casual Day. Our school Mass will be at 9:00.
- **Friday, Dec. 3**—Songs, Stories and Fun at 9:00 AM in the music room.

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From the Desk of Laura Barnett

Since we only have two days next week, I would like to wish you all a very Happy Thanksgiving a little early. This is also my way of saying that there will be no principal letter from either myself or Alena Tapelt next week. The joint portion of the elementary newsletter will be sent out on Tuesday, however.

When we come back from Thanksgiving break, we will dive right into the season of Advent. The teachers have planned wonderful activities throughout Advent to help our children understand this time of waiting. Many of us (myself included) tend to jump right into Christmas

mode, while forgetting that we are called to slow down a bit before Christmas to consider how much God loves us. Our school and classroom activities will help us take some time to reflect on the true "reason for the season."

St. Francis Xavier Day
We will celebrate our patron Saint's feast day on December 3. We will be attending Mass that day, and have also made that a Xavier-wear casual day. I would just ask that when you (or your child) selects what they will wear with their Xavier shirt, that you keep in mind that we will be going to church.

Christmas Concert Video
On Friday, Dec. 10, we will be recording the Christmas Concert. The recording will be done in groups throughout the morning so that we can keep the groups smaller.

In order to make this video concert feel and look more like one of our "regular" Christmas concerts from the past, we are asking that **Friday, Dec. 10 be a dress-up day.** So, please have your child wear their "Sunday best" on that day.



A Message From the Appleton Health Department

We will be holding two COVID-19 vaccination clinics for kids who are 5-11 years old next week, Thursday and Friday (November 18th and 19th). We are not sending the information and link to register out to the general public, but are sending it directly to the Appleton schools - please see attached flyer.

(The flyer printed in English and Spanish follows this newsletter)

These clinics run from 3-6pm, at our current Appleton COVID-19 clinic

site, which is located in the former Best Buy on Kensington Drive in Appleton. It will be appointment only, due to staffing constraints and vaccine supply that we currently have on hand. If families are not able to attend these clinics, they do have other opportunities to get their children vaccinated in our area. After the clinic on November 19, we will continue to have the vaccine available at our regular Thursday and Friday clinics. These clinics do have times before and/or after school if preferred. It is

also available via local pharmacies (Walgreen, CVS, Smith pharmacy to name a few), ThedaCare and Ascension. It will also be available at the Outagamie County Fox River Mall site soon. We are partnering with the Building for Kids on both dates. We will have additional partners and promotions on the 19th.

Anyone who is vaccinated on the 18th or 19th will be signed up for dose #2 at two clinics we have planned on December 9 & 10, at the same time (3-6pm).

Scrip News

Get a jump start on your Holiday shopping! I'm sure you have all heard the news that this year's Christmas shopping, both online and in stores, is going to be challenging due to supply shipments being delayed and labor shortages. Please plan ahead and get your orders in

early. Even though we do stock several retailers, gas stations, local and national restaurants, there are still several that we do not stock and have to special order, which could take 2-3 days to get in. Also, during high demand season, we see large orders for commonly

stocked cards. Reminder that you can also order e-gift cards and reloads via the RaiseRight App.

Scrip office will be closed during the following days:

November 25th and 26th
December 23rd – December 31st

Christmas Stars



Ticket sales are now open for this spectacular Broad-

way-style holiday-themed extravaganza featuring singers, dancers and actors ages five through senior citizens.

Performances are at 7 PM on December 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, and 11—and at 1 PM on December 4, 5, 11, and 12.

Purchase your tickets on the website:

www.christmasstars.org

or visit the box office on Mondays or Wednesdays from noon—3 PM

A Thanksgiving Prayer

For the expanding grandeur of creation, worlds known and unknown, galaxies beyond galaxies, filling us with awe and challenging our imaginations:
We give thanks this day.

For this fragile planet earth, its times and tides, its sunsets and seasons:
We give thanks this day.

For the joy of human life, its wonders and surprises, its hopes and achievements:
We give thanks this day.



For our human community, our common past and future hope, our oneness transcending all separation, our capacity to work for peace and justice in the midst of hostility and oppression:
We give thanks this day.

For high hopes and noble causes, for the gift of faith, for understanding of views not shared:
We give thanks this day.

For all who have labored and suffered for a fairer world, who have lived so that others might live in dignity and freedom:
We give thanks this day.

For human liberty and sacred rites; for opportunities to change and grow:
We give thanks this day.

We pray that we may live not by our fears but by our hopes, not by our words but by our deeds.
We give thanks this day.

—O. Eugene Pickett

Thanksgiving and Advent Food Collection – November 15th through December 3rd

Each year we hold this special collection to benefit the St. Joseph Food Pantry. It has proven to be a very successful way to make a substantial donation of needed items for area families who struggle with food insecurity. I am excited to once again invite you to be a part of this service project!

As we know all too well, the upcoming holiday season can put a strain on the family budget. While this is true for all of us, it is more significant for those families who struggle to put food on the table from week to week. Please join us in making the holidays bright for those who are in need in our community.

Preschool classes – Taking Care of the “Littlest” Needs

Baby food, baby wipes, diapers and other related items.

Kindergarten – Toiletries

Items in this category include shampoo, soap, shaving cream,

Grade 1 – Fruits, Vegetable and Side Dishes

Those things that make a meal more complete, such as canned fruits/vegetables, boxed potatoes/potato dishes, pasta, rice, etc.

Grade 2 – Baking Supplies

During the holidays, we all like to have special treats on hand. You can make the holidays all the more special for families in need by donating flour, brown sugar, sugar, spices, canned pumpkin, cake/cookie mixes, canned frosting and the like.

Grade Three – Main Dish Items

During this week, we are looking for donations of things that make up the main course of any meal. These items can include cereal, pancake mix, soups, stew, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, tuna, or any other protein rich items that would make a healthy main course for a family.

Grade 4 – Cleaning Supplies and Paper Goods

We all go through more cleaning supplies, paper goods, detergent, etc., when we have family visit during the holidays.

*****As an extra incentive, the grade that brings the highest number of items per student in that grade will receive a special treat of Italian Ice as a reward.*****

Thank you in advance for your help! Your generosity to our brothers and sisters in Christ will set a wonderful example of giving for your children, and teach them the true meaning of the season!

Laura Barnett, Principal



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FUN FAMILY EVENT!



Vaccines



Activities



Free gifts

Hosted by City of Appleton Health Department,
partnered with Multicultural Coalition Inc.

FREE Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

2411 S Kensington Dr. Appleton, WI 54911 (former Best Buy)

No ID or health insurance required

Ages 5-11

Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian

Thursday, November 18

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.



Vaccines

Friday, November 19

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.



Vaccines



Free gifts



The Building for Kids Children's Museum will be on-site
to provide fun activities on Thursday and Friday.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

To register or for help with registration,
call (920) 659-5102 Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
or visit fccvc.squarespace.com



**FREE health insurance
enrollment available provided by
Partnership Community Health Center.**

Provided on Friday, November 19 only.



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¡NO TE PIERDAS ESTE DIVERTIDO EVENTO FAMILIAR!



Vacunas



Actividades



Regalos gratis

Organizado por el Departamento de Servicios de Salud de la ciudad de Appleton,
en asociación con Multicultural Coalition Inc.

VACUNA PFIZER CONTRA COVID-19 SIN COSTO

2411 S Kensington Dr. Appleton, WI 54911 (anteriormente Best Buy)

No se requiere aseguranza de salud o identificación

Edades 5-11

Niños deben estar acompañados por un padre/guardian

Jueves 18 de Noviembre

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.



Vacunas

Viernes 19 de Noviembre

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.



Vacunas



Regalos gratis



El Museo de Niños Building for Kids estará in situ para proveer actividades divertidas el jueves y viernes.

SE REQUIRE REGISTRO

Para registrarse o recibir ayuda llame
(920) 659-5102 Lunes - Viernes, 8 a.m. - 4p.m.
o visite fccvc.squarespace.com



*Inscripción gratuita para aseguranza
de salud disponible proporcionada por
Partnership Community Health Center.
Proveído el viernes, 19 de Noviembre solamente.*



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