

Important Notes from Mrs. Luzzo: August 28, 2023 - ROAR Week - Today we kicked off our annual ROAR Week. Information was in the BTS packets and emailed home last week. It can also be found on the school website as well. Please be sure to check the theme for each day so your child can participate.

Half Day - This **Friday**, **9/1**, is a **half day** with dismissal at **noon**. There is no aftercare and no Seton bus service. All students will need to be picked up at noon. Please form two lines for afternoon pick up to facilitate a safe and quick dismissal process.

Arrival and Dismissal - We've been asked not to cut through the parking lots closest to the church and to monitor speed limits so that parishioners attending Masses and/or going to the church office can park and cross safely. Also, remember... school is a cell phone free zone, including hands free, so that full attention can be placed on keeping all students, faculty, and staff safe. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

Lunch/Recess Volunteers Needed - We are in desperate need of volunteers on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. Please contact our Administrative Assistant, Ms. Nicole, by calling the front office at 843-390-4108 or via email: <u>nnealey@charlestondiocese.org</u> for more information. If you have received any tuition assistance this year, volunteering for lunch/recess duty is one way to give back to the school.

Non-OLSS Catholic Families - You should have received a form to take to your pastors regarding the subsidy the Bishop has asked them to pay to HTCS to help offset some of the subsidy OLSS provides for them to attend HTCS. These forms are due back by **Friday, 9/1**.

Choir - All choir forms are due by this Friday, 9/1.

Snack and Water - All students need to bring a snack and water bottle every day including on half days. The only exception to this is for our First Steps 4K students who only need to bring a water bottle each day.

Faculty Updates - Mrs. Foreste, our 3rd grade classroom aide, will need to take some extended leave. Mrs. Stinson, our 4th grade classroom aide, has agreed to assist in both 3rd and 4th grades as needed until further notice. Ms. Stevens, our PK aide will no longer be with HTCS. We already have several qualified candidates and hope to have that spot in the next few days. Until then, the leadership team will be helping in the K4 classroom.

Understanding the Liturgical Colors of the Catholic Church - In the liturgical calendar, the color for each day corresponds to that day's main liturgical celebration, even though Optional Memorials (perhaps with a different color) might be chosen instead. The four main colors shown are:

White – Christmas Time and Easter Time; celebrations of the Lord (except of his Passion), of Mary, of the Angels, and of Saints who were not Martyrs; solemnities of the Most Holy Trinity (Sun. after Pentecost), of All Saints (Nov. 1), and of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24); feasts of the Conversion of St. Paul (Jan. 25), of the Chair of St. Peter (Feb. 22), and of St. John (Dec. 27); also permitted in the United States at Masses for the Dead

Red – Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Pentecost Sunday; celebrations of the Lord's Passion, of Apostles, and of Evangelists; celebrations of Martyrs

Green – Ordinary Time

Violet – Advent and Lent; Masses for the Dead

Other liturgical colors not represented on this calendar include **rose** (Third Sun. of Advent and Fourth Sun. of Lent), **black** (Masses for the Dead), and **gold or silver** (permitted in the United States for more solemn occasions) <u>Understanding the Liturgical Colors | USCCB</u>