

Boys Town Skill of the Week: Getting the Teacher's Attention

- 1. Look at the teacher
- 2. Raise your hand and stay calm.
- 3. Wait until the teacher says your name.
- 4. Ask your question.

Dear Blessed Sacrament Families.

As I was making the rounds in the cafeteria (the most entertaining part of my day), I had a couple second graders ask me how long I would be principal at Blessed Sacrament. I told them I planned on being here for a while—I'll probably even get to see them graduate! Their eyes widened and big grins spread across their faces. I could tell that their graduation from Blessed Sacrament seemed like it was so far away. Counting it out, it was really only a little over six years. As anyone over 30 can attest, six years can fly by; but if you remember what a year felt like in early elementary school, six years was a very long time. Reflecting on this allowed me to think about how easy it is to rush through each day, each year even, when you have so much going on in your life. That afternoon and evening, I tried to slow down and appreciate those little moments that meant so much—getting bombarded with hugs from the Pre-K students while they waited for their rides, seeing my son Oliver's face light up as he toddled towards me at daycare, and even discussing with my husband how we would tag team our son's sleepless night after we heard his cries from our bedroom. God provides us with so much beauty and love in the world, but we are also so easily distracted and tend to lose focus on what really matters. When you see your kids at some point tonight or tomorrow morning, take time to appreciate their sweet smiles or sarcastic grins (depending on the age) instead of checking an email or finishing up some other work that can wait until after bedtime.

And check out another fantastic **Monday Minute** that focuses on what happens behind the scenes in the cafeteria and presents our school family with a challenge!

In Christ.

Mrs. Jennifer Tran

EARLY DISMISSAL

We have a 1:00pm dismissal on Friday, September 17. There will be no Extended Care.

ROADSIDE CLEAN UP

Roadside Clean Up will be held in September. In the past, assistance has been asked from the school children that are eligible for Service Hours. Roadside Clean Up is scheduled twice a year—in the fall and the spring. Registration forms are attached to be signed by parents/guardians. Please return them to the school office or email them to Jerry Kruger at jerrykruger@alphamediausa.com by **Thursday, September 16.** More information about the Roadside Clean Up is on the attached forms. A picture would like to be taken of the students that participate which is why a Parental Authorization form is included.

SCRIP - SUPPORT BLESSED SACRAMENT

Did you know you can support our school simply by purchasing gift cards ahead of time for your everyday purchases? We carry many local gift cards like Russ's, Super Saver, Hy-Vee, Amigos, Runza, and more! Click here for our most current order form. Scrip will be available after this weekend's 8:30am and 10:00am masses. During the week, it is available at the Rectory across from school. **NEW** You can also turn in your completed Scrip order form with payment to the office by this Friday, September 17; and it will be ready to pick up on Monday, September 20 in the school office before 3:45pm. For more information about Blessed Sacrament's Scrip program, please contact Jennie Korth at jefraz@yahoo.com.

PICTURE RE-TAKES

Retakes will be on Friday, September 24. Students can either come to school dressed up with their uniform to change into after pictures or they can wear their uniform for the re-take.

FUND-A-WANT

At Blessed Sacrament we are blessed to have amazing teachers and staff that help our children grow in their education and faith. There is no better way to show support to our teachers than helping them get the resources they need/want to have in their classroom to help our students become the best they can be. PTO is excited to sponsor the Fund-A-Want project. On this **Amazon wish list**, there are supplies/tools our teachers are requesting for their classrooms. This project will run through **Friday October 15**th. Items can be shipped directly to Blessed Sacrament, 1725 Lake St, Lincoln, NE 68502 or you can bring them in. Thank you for helping us support our teachers. If you have any questions, please contact Clarissa Hunt at ceceluther@yahoo.com.

TEAMMATES MENTORS NEEDED

Blessed Sacrament School is in the beginning stages of implementing the TeamMates program. Do you want to make a difference in a young person's life? TeamMates provides positive relationships, support, and encouragement for students. A mentor would meet with a student one time a week at Blessed Sacrament for 30 to 45 minutes. If you are interested, please contact Mary Thompson at mary-thompson1@cdolinc.net.

BSS MUSIC ON THE TRAIL UPDATE

This has been a busy week *on the Trail!* Ms. Rettig's fourth graders have taken a virtual trip across the trail, learned about water and weddings (including one between a frog and a mouse), explored polyrhythm in Aaron Copland's *Saturday Night Waltz*, expressed how the music moves them through art (including Jackson Pollock-style), along with many other experiences. Friday promises to be exciting with a surprise coming their way. The residency is funded by the Nebraska Arts Council.

UPCOMING CONFIRMATION PARENT MEETING

Fifth grade parents, don't forget to mark your calendars for the Confirmation Parent Meeting on Wednesday, September 22, in the gym.

LINCOLN MOTHERS ON A MISSION

MOMs will be meeting Saturday, September 25th @ 8:30am: "Peaceful Political Discourse" with Maria Benes. Lincoln MOMs is a group of Catholic mothers searching

for fellowship, hope, & joy in our ever-changing vocation. Monthly meetings are held from 8:30-10:30 am at the Newman Center, St. Thomas Aquinas Church located at 320 N. 16th Street. Contact us at lincolnmomsgroup@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/lincolnmothersonamission.

DINE OUT FUNDRAISER @ AMIGOS

PTO will be sponsoring a Dine Out Fundraiser at Amigos on 56th and Old Cheney on Tuesday, September 28 from 5-7pm. Dine in, drive thru, or carry out! Enjoy an evening without cooking, and 20% of the sale will be given back to Blessed Sacrament PTO. Your support is greatly appreciated and thank you for facilitating our mission of supporting our wonderful teachers and staff! Stop by the office to purchase Amigo's SCRIP for additional support for our school.