



# The Thursday Thriller



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A PLACE WHERE I WILL MAKE SOMETHING OF MYSELF

“Character Is My Superpower”

## SCRIPTURE QUOTE FOR THIRD TRIMESTER

“So let’s not get tired of **doing what is good**. At just the right time we will receive many blessings if we don’t give up.” Galatians 6:9

NO CLASSES ON FRIDAY, MAY 12TH

STAFF IN SERVICE DAY

This is our last in service day of the year!

SPIRIT DAYS – MAY 17,18 AND 19

**SPIRIT DAYS ARE NEXT WEEK! We take a break from uniforms and ask students to dress in the following themes:**

**Wacky Wednesday-** mismatch colors, stripes, any combination to look “wacky”

**Career Day Thursday-** dress in any career of your choice

**Sports Day on Friday -** dress to honor your favorite teams or sports

## REVIEW OF CHARACTER TRAITS IN MAY

We have worked hard all year on a character trait each month. In order to see how well we have learned these, we will spend the month reviewing the traits. Each class will review the trait and make presentations to all the students. Ask your child about how they are working to review the traits for our school. Forgiveness (Aug) – 3<sup>rd</sup>, Zest (Sept)- K, Self Control (Oct) – 4<sup>th</sup>, Kindness (Nov) -1<sup>st</sup>, Gratitude (Dec) – 7<sup>th</sup>, Perseverance(Jan) – 5<sup>th</sup>, Courage (Feb) – 8<sup>th</sup>, Patience (Mar) – 2<sup>nd</sup> and Honesty (April)- 6<sup>th</sup>. It would be awesome if you could spend time asking your child/children about what they have learned about each trait.

## SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

Our students participated in a regional spelling bee competition against 10 Westside schools last week. On Tuesday, at St. Catherine/St. Lucy, we were represented by 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Donnie Stanton and Chidera Anyasor. On Wednesday at Chicago Jesuit Academy

we were represented by 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Kierra Gates and Aleece Matthews. On Thursday we were represented by Dakyla Harris and Jayianni Williford from Grade 3 and Janiya Pullins and Chasity Robinson in Grade 4.

We are proud to announce that Jayianni Williford won the first place in the third grade division and Janiya Pullins won a second place medal in the fourth grade division. We are proud of all of our participants who represented us at the contests this week.

## REGISTRATION FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR-2017-18

Materials for registration for the 2017-18 school year were sent home last week. We are eager to register our current families before we open registration for new families. Please return your completed form and the registration fee of \$175. Students who register and pay the registration fee are rewarded with a dress down day on Fridays throughout May.

## CAREER DAY – THURSDAY, MAY 18<sup>TH</sup> FROM 1:00-2:30

On Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, the students will have an opportunity to learn about a variety of careers. Thank you to Ms. Daniels for coordinating this program.

## ATTENTION EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS

The final count for the Eighth Grade luncheon was due on Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. There are a few tickets still available. Please be sure to get the form from your child or call the school office to order additional tickets. We will need to contact the Spirit of Chicago by the end of day on Monday. Remember that there are two tickets included in your graduation fee (1 for the graduate and 1 guest). Additional guests are discounted to \$25 because of the fundraising.

## SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION –SUMMER 2017

Information was sent home for registration for Summer School. Summer School begins on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> and ends on Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup>. It is reasonably priced for a six week – Monday through

Thursday program. We highly recommend summer school for all students. There is a lot of research that supports the idea that students do "backslide" in their learning if they are not enrolled in enrichment or remedial programs of an academic nature. We encourage all children to attend a structured summer program.

***graduation activities. PLAN AHEAD TO AVOID ANY PROBLEMS AT THE END OF THE YEAR!***

**STUDENTS IN GRADES 5,6 AND 7 ARE INVITED TO APPLY TO CHICAGO JESUIT ACADEMY SUMMR SCHOOL**

Information was sent home with Grades 5, 6 and 7 regarding an excellent program in the summer at Chicago Jesuit. It is not located very far from here. It's at Laramie and Jackson. It is a five day a week program for five weeks for \$100. The fee is negotiable and it is a rigorous and very excellent academic program. We highly recommend this program as it is able to offer more than our resources will allow. Please call Ms. Miller or Ms. Daniels if you need assistance with the application process.

**PARENT INVOLVEMENT BOARD MEETING - MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017 - 5:30P.M. -6:30 P.M**

The last Parent Involvement Board meeting for the year is scheduled for Monday, May 22nd from 5:30p.m. -6:30 p.m. Parents are still welcome to come and find out more about the Board and the events they have planned for next year. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

**Happy Mother's Day to all of our wonderful strong women - moms, guardians, grandmothers, aunts. May God bless you for teaching us to love!**

**Have a great weekend. Be safe.  
Ms. Miller and Ms. Nho**

**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PAYMENTS WERE DUE ON MONDAY, MAY 1ST**

We ask that you pay in advance of the month you need before and after school care for your children. The May payment was due on Monday, May 1st. Please contact Mrs. Strauder to make payment arrangements if you are behind in your payments.

**MAY TUITION PAYMENT - DUE ON MONDAY, MAY 15TH.**

Parents who are behind in tuition/after school care are asked to phone Ms. Miller to set up a meeting to discuss payment arrangements, especially Kindergarten and Eighth Grade parents. All we need is a phone call from you to make an arrangement. Please take this seriously. All tuition accounts should be paid in full by May 15<sup>th</sup>. If you need a payment arrangement, the time for that is NOW! Please contact Ms. Miller or Mrs. Strauder to arrange a payment plan.

*I remind Kindergarten and Eighth Grade students' parents that all bills must be paid in full if your child is to participate in graduation activities.*

**ATTENTION: PARENTS OF EIGHTH GRADE AND KINDERGARTEN**

**PARENTS OF EIGHTH GRADE AND KINDERGARTEN ARE REMINDED THAT ALL TUITION AND FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BEFORE GRADUATION. Start budgeting now for the extra costs in the graduation fee WAS due on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Eighth Grade fee is \$210. The Graduation fee for Kindergarten is \$50. All tuition, fundraising, volunteer hours, after school care bills must be completed before**