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*Saint Teresa School*

*We are a faith-filled Catholic community called by God  
to teach, nurture and guide our children  
to achieve their God-given potential on life's journey to heaven.*

*Faith    Community    Academic Excellence*



September 27, 2017 – St. Andrew Kim and Companions

Dear Parents,

October has been traditionally been dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. We have a tradition to pass around a Mary statue, rosary, and a booklet on how to pray the Rosary for the family to use that evening. The items are returned the next day. There will be a bag for each class to pass around in their homeroom. Let us go to Jesus through Mary for all our needs, especially during this 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima. In each of Our Lady's appearances to the children, she asked us to pray the Rosary daily, and in particular for world peace. How timely for today! God bless!

In the Heart of the King, I am,  
Sister Anne Joelle, CK

**DATES for: September**

27 Wed 7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> grades field trip to Omaha Zoo; remaining midterms sent home  
28 PK-B Picture Day & Picture Retakes; JH Group C Confessions; Chess Club begins  
29 Fri 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades field trip to Plum Creek Literacy Festival at Concordia; PK-A Day  
29 2A Class Mass for Feast of the Archangels  
30 Sat Happy Birthday, Mrs. Theresa Schafers (PK teacher); CK Outdoor Work Day, 1:30-4:00 p.m.

**October**

2 Mon Celebrate the Feast of St. Therese; Walk the Little Way  
3 First Penance Meeting 7 p.m.  
4 Wed Grades 4 & 6 Confessions Leadership Meeting 4 p.m.  
6 MCA Collection Exposition, starting at 9 a.m., followed by Benediction and **Living Rosary, 2:30 p.m.**  
(not 2:45 p.m.), PK-B Day

**DATE CHANGE:** Mass of Intention for Sacramental Students and Parents – **Saturday, November 4, 8:15 a.m.**

**THINGS BEING SENT HOME:** Grades 1 and 6, 7, & 8 field trip forms; Grades 7 & 8 Dance flyer; Photo Order Deadline Reminder; Midterms not picked up at Conferences; library notices; library notices

**ATTACHMENTS:** orange chair sale photo; lost and found photo; Lincoln Community Track Club flyer; Mother-Daughter Chastity Program flyer; October Hot Lunch menu

**PICTURE INFORMATION:**

Please email Theresa Kottwitz at [theresa-kottwitz@cdolinc.net](mailto:theresa-kottwitz@cdolinc.net) **by 8:00 a.m., Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**, if there are mistakes on your proofs. In the email, please state what is incorrect, and the correction. (I apologize for the late notice on this.)

- **Retakes are Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.**
- All students will receive a class composite, whether ordering or not.
- If ordering pictures: proofs, order forms, and payment are due September 28<sup>th</sup>. **If you wait until after September 28<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m., you will need to send it directly to Pegasus and there is a \$10 late fee.**
- **\*\*Do not return the proofs if you are NOT ordering pictures.**
- Students who are retaking their pictures may come to school in their photo clothes. They may remain in their dress clothes or change into their uniform after pictures. The proofs and order forms will be sent later.

**WALK THE LITTLE WAY UPDATE:** To date we have collected \$19,000.00 dollars. Our goal is \$35,000! So far we have only had 19 out of 130 families participate. That is only 15% participation. Imagine what we can do with 70% or more participation. Please continue to bring in your pledges and prayer intentions. Each **family** is working for **\$250**

worth of pledges to help our wonderful school. **Turn in your pledges by Sept. 29.** We will accept donations after this. Donors can make a gift to St. Teresa's School online at <https://www.thelittleflower-lincoln.com>.

**Whichever class has 100% family participation** may wear jeans and the Walk the Little Way t-shirt another school day. We will calculate it by family, not by each child. Any amount donated will count. I know you love our school and want it to succeed! Let your family members and neighbors know the great things happening here. Let us work together as a school family to reach our goal of \$35,000.

**OCTOBER 2<sup>nd</sup>:** As a school we will be celebrating **St. Therese's Feast Day** with activities on St. Therese's life. Girls may dress up as St. Therese. When they arrive at school, they will go to their homerooms, as usual. **Following Mass, all students may wear jeans and their Walk the Little Way t-shirts.** Girls dressed up as St. Therese can wear their outfits for the Walk or change afterwards to jeans and the Walk the Little Way t-shirt. Remember to continue to turn in the donations and prayer intentions! At this time, if you have any more donations, please turn them in.

**LOST & FOUND:** See attachment of some valuable items that have been brought to the office either last year or this school year. Can anyone claim them? Also, a white plastic bowl from the snacks for Parent/Teacher conferences was found. Contact the school office.

**FOR SALE:** Sixteen orange student chairs for \$5 each. Chair size is 15 inches from the floor to the seat. See attached picture.

#### **UNIFORM INFORMATION**

- Shorts – this is the last week – in fact it may be too cool to wear them
- Pants for girls are worn November through March
- School uniform- School fleece jackets and school sweatshirts are allowed to be worn in the classroom during the school day. Other jackets are to be hung.

**SCHOOL WEBSITE** is within the parish website: [www.thelittleflower-lincoln.com](http://www.thelittleflower-lincoln.com). The tabs on the top of the parish website page lead you to the school site. Click on the school site tab at the top. The button at the top of the school page leads you to the school calendar, hot lunch menu (under calendars), weekly newsletter, and other school information such as the handbook and forms. To go directly to the school website, click this link: <http://school.thelittleflower-lincoln.com/>. We also have a Facebook page that we hope you will "like"! <https://www.facebook.com/St-Teresa-Catholic-School-Lincoln-NE-112506312442594/>

**FALL JUNIOR HIGH DANCE** for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Catholic School students, sponsored by the Pius X Thunderette Dance Team, is Friday, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7-9 p.m., in the Pius Commons. Flyers which serve as tickets are in the CE.

**THE PARENTING DARE** Lori and Eric Doerneman have a proactive parenting presentation on Theology of the Body teachings and keeping kids healthy in today's culture; neither of which is an easy task in today's culture. I am finding information such as this essential for us as we work together as parents and educators. Lori and Eric will be speaking at **St. Teresa's on Oct. 18 at 7:00 p.m.** More details to come.

**FIRST ANNUAL LINCOLN COMMUNITY TRACK CLUB (LCTC) KIDS CROSS COUNTRY RACES – October 21<sup>st</sup> at Pioneers Park:** Registration is open until Oct. 13 with an Early Bird discount through October 1<sup>st</sup> and discounts for multiple athletes. Visit [www.lctrackclub.com](http://www.lctrackclub.com) for information on registration. See attachment for more information.

**NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM AT SAC:** On **Oct. 21, 5-8 p.m.** the SAC Aerospace Museum will open a new display featuring a SOKOL spacesuit worn by Astronaut Clayton Anderson during his first space mission to the International Space Station (ISS). During the *Night at the Museum* event, Mr. Anderson will serve as keynote speaker. Mr. Anderson's presentation begins at 5 p.m. and will focus on his inspirational story and journey.

- An autograph session with Astronaut Clayton Anderson
- Get inside several aircraft
- Free space shuttle make-and-take, *while supplies last*
- Free planetarium show
- Robotic instruction using Cubelets and Lego EV3s, and a demonstration of how robotic rovers are used in space

The event is part of general admission. Come to the Museum as early as you want, and stay for a *Night at the Museum!* For more information visit our [website](#).

**MOTHER/DAUGHTER PROGRAM** to promote respect for human sexuality and chastity will be presented on Sunday, **November 12**, from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. Girls 10 - 13 years old and their mothers are invited to register. Cost is \$20/girl or \$30/family. The program is presented by the Family Life Office and the Lincoln Fertility *Care* Center. **Register by Nov. 5**. More information is attached. Contact the Family Life Office for a registration form.

**WORLD BOOK ONLINE** St. Teresa School has a paid World Book Online subscription for all students. [www.worldbookonline.com](http://www.worldbookonline.com) **Log-in ID:** StTeresaLnc **Password:** jayhawks (\*Password is case sensitive.)

**LUNCHROOM AWARDED A MINI GRANT:** We received \$1,000 from Team Nutrition. \$850 will go towards new materials: banners, signage, hydration station, and other promotional items. \$150 will go towards sampling food materials. Thank you, Rosie, for applying for this grant!

**PAGE ONE NEWS:** <http://www.nebpageone.weebly.com/>

**NE TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:** This program can provide credit on one landline or wireless phone bill per month. Eligibility – Medicaid; SNAP, SSI, Federal Public Housing Assistance, LIHEAP, Children’s Health Insurance Programs, National School Lunch Program FREE Lunch Program, TANF, income at or below 135% of poverty level, must be a citizen or qualified alien, must be a NE resident. **How to sign up:** fill out an application at [psc.nebraska.gov](http://psc.nebraska.gov) or for further questions call NTAP at 800-526-0017 or 402-471-3101.

### WAYS TO SERVE

**THANK YOU:** We had wonderful snacks for our Parent/Teacher Conferences thanks to: Christine Behne, Gretchen Jones, Lucy Langdon, Meg Andres, Kim Dostal, Kristi Casady, Amy Aerts, Erin English, Janel Andreasen, Jean Timmerman, Paula Wagner, Melissa Eusterweimann, Charlie Calhoun, and Kacy Steiner. God bless you all for your generosity!

**HEALTH SCREENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Our annual health screening is on **Thurs./Fri., Nov. 16 & 17**. Please volunteer through the following link: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0F4AAEA72FA6F94-health](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0F4AAEA72FA6F94-health) This is a great way to meet other school parents, and to get to know our students. Training starts at 8 a.m. in the gym. We should be finished before noon.

**PARISH PICNIC – SET UP HELP:** **October 1<sup>st</sup>** – The Men’s Club requests help setting up tables and chairs for the Parish Picnic. If people could arrive one hour before the scheduled start time, that would be much appreciated.

**ST. TERESA SCHOOL MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS:** Remember, you can order magazines and renew your subscriptions online at [my.fundraising.com/stteresascatholicschool](http://my.fundraising.com/stteresascatholicschool). 40% of your purchase is returned to the school. For magazines, click on the magazine link under “shop now for our cause”. Please share the website with family and friends. There is also other merchandise available to purchase. This site is open to us for the entire year!

**SCRIP AND PROPLR NEWS:** Remember that there are NO PRESTO PAY FEES through Sept. 29th! If you have questions or need help signing up to use Presto Pay, please email [jeandreasen@allophone.com](mailto:jeandreasen@allophone.com) The Scrip team needs your help: Each week, all of the Scrip orders are gathered and entered into our software system. The current inventory is counted and reconciled and new Scrip is ordered to fill our orders and keep our inventory filled. Many of our cards are ordered from a company called Great Lakes, so they are shipped right to us each week, but our local inventory—grocery stores, gas stations and a few restaurants are picked up each week by volunteers. We are in need of 4-6 volunteers to help pick up orders. If you would like to help with this, please contact the office and leave your name, phone number, and email. This job would involve communicating with the volunteer who places the orders, driving to 1-3 different locations in Lincoln on a Tuesday or Wednesday to pick up gift cards and deliver them to the school once every 3-6 weeks. A volunteer schedule is usually made to accommodate your personal schedule.

**POP CANS:** Thanks for saving pop cans & placing in the fenced area by the rectory. Funds purchase new library books.

### UPCOMING EVENTS / REMINDERS

**CK SISTERS OUTDOOR FALL WORKDAY** – Sat., **Sept. 30**, 1:30-4:30 p.m. We will be cleaning up our vegetable garden, transplanting young trees, as well as cutting down trees and brush. Helpful items to bring include gloves, wheelbarrows, shovels, pickups, chain saws and energy! Children are also welcome! Mark your calendars now and contact Sister Mary Angela at [sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net](mailto:sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net) if you would like to come and help. Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56<sup>th</sup> St., about 2 miles west and south of Pioneers Park.

**TITULAR FEAST DAY:** Bishop Conley will be here for the 8:00 a.m. Mass on **October 1st** to celebrate our feast day Mass. We invite the 6th - 8th grade girls to be Honor Guard. We are limited on gowns, so first come, first served. All other girls are invited to dress as St. Therese and play a part in this wonderful feast. All girls are asked to arrive at 7:30. St. Thereses will meet in KH, and Honor Guard in the rectory. To sign up, please send an email to: [st.teresa.spiritual.life@gmail.com](mailto:st.teresa.spiritual.life@gmail.com). There will be a reception in KH after Mass.

**ST THERESE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION:** Monday, **October 2**, we will be celebrating St. Therese's Feast Day at school. Girls are welcome to dress as our patron saint on this day. All girls dressing as St. Therese will sit with their classes at the school Mass. Following Mass they may change into their uniform or may keep their "habit" on for the rest of the school day. We have one outfit, in school, if someone wants to borrow it. If your child has outgrown their outfit please donate them to school for others to use.

**LINCOLN MOMS MEETING**– Join us **October 7** for "Heads Up on Human Trafficking in Nebraska," with Senator Carol Blood. Lincoln MOMs is a group of Catholic mothers searching for fellowship, hope, & joy in our ever-changing vocation. Monthly meetings are held every first Saturday, 8:30-10:30 am. Our location is Gianna's Java & Gelato at The Guadalupe Center (2241 O St., Suite T, Lincoln, NE 68510). Free-will donation (\$5 suggested) helps cover the cost of speakers, reserved babysitting, and coffee/snacks. Contact us at [lincolnmoms@outlook.com](mailto:lincolnmoms@outlook.com) or our Facebook page. Let us know in advance if you need babysitting, and please bring a friend!

**STAGE STUDENT THEATRE:** For students interested in the performing arts, we have an exciting new season of plays, musicals, and theater classes for kids to participate in! Fatima will be performed **October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.** and **October 15<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.** in St. Teresa's Kaczmarek Hall. This will be a beautiful and thoughtful retelling of this famous story with a performance landing directly on the 100th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun. Theater Classes for Kids will be offered October-November meeting on Wednesday and Friday afternoons from 4:30-6 p.m. These classes will touch on many aspects of theater including movement, dialogue, costume and set design, and more! Auditions for our Winter Musical, A Geek Tragedy, will be held **October 27-28**. Please visit [www.stage4kids.com](http://www.stage4kids.com) to learn more and register for these fun events!

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. CHARLES #472** is hosting a "Come and See Meeting" for starting a Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court in Lincoln. Established in 1926 by the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, JCDA is a program for Catholic girls with its purpose and mission being one of Message, Service, and Community. We are having an overview meeting for 1st through 8th grade girls and their parents on Saturday, **October 21, 2017**, 10 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 60th & South St. For more information, contact Diane Fry at [kldmfamily@gmail.com](mailto:kldmfamily@gmail.com). Please see attachment.

**THE FAMILY FULLY ALIVE:** The monthly cycle of themes, prayers, reflections, meditations and family projects will help your family focus on the important things in the world. They will help build your domestic church as a place of faith, hope and charity, where each member will grow with grace toward his or her full potential in God. Click for an electronic version and resources for [The Family Fully Alive](#). Booklets were sent home last week. Have you started using them with your family, yet?

**MEALS FOR THE SISTERS:** Perform a work of mercy and provide a meal for the Sisters at St. Teresa Convent. Please see the attachment for details and sign up at <http://bit.ly/ckmeals2017>.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR VALUABLE SCIP PRESENTATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY:**  
November 16, 2017 - Digital Citizenship, Lincoln Southeast High School, 6:30 PM

February 27, 2018 - Healthy Relationships, Lincoln Southwest High School, 6:30 PM  
April 26, 2018 - Promoting Healthy Choices, Lincoln North Star High School, 6:30 pm  
Contact Abbe Edgecombe if you have questions about the content, 402-327-6841.

**LIBRARY:** The Library catalog is online and your children can access it from home. This will allow them to find books they would like to check out before they even come to school. The link for the catalog is <https://destiny.cdolinc.net/quest/servlet/presentquestform.do?site=507&viewMode=0>

**THEOLOGY OF THE BODY (TOB) PARENT REQUIREMENT:** To assist you, we are asking all parents to view *A Safe Haven Starts at Home*, an 18-minute program at <http://cmgparent.org/>. Click "Start Learning", then Signup for Free, and on the main page choose "A Safe Haven Starts at Home". Following the video, please take the 2-minute quiz and submit your certificate either on paper or email it to [Wendy-GuzmandeCruz@cdolinc.net](mailto:Wendy-GuzmandeCruz@cdolinc.net). I would like each of you, or at least one parent from each family, to watch the video, take the quiz and provide us with the documentation noted above. In order for us to serve your children well, your support is essential in this critical matter.

**MATHCOUNTS:** Mathcounts for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders will begin meeting, **Thursday, Oct. 5** from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm. Mathcounts is a fantastic math-enrichment program and competition series that promotes middle school mathematic achievement. St. Teresa has a long tradition of success in the program and is excited to get this season underway. Please see the attachment for more information. Contact Ann Kotopka with any questions: [mkotopka@gmail.com](mailto:mkotopka@gmail.com)

**PIUS STUDENTS AS MATHCOUNTS MENTORS:** Parents, if you had a past Mathcounts student, please encourage them to come back and act as Mathcounts mentors during our Thursday evening meetings. It'll continue to benefit them and is an excellent service opportunity. If they are able to help, have them send me an email and I'll communicate with them regarding time, place, and problem sets. Ann Kotopka - [mkotopka@gmail.com](mailto:mkotopka@gmail.com)

**ORATORICAL CONTEST:** Sponsored by the American Legion here in Lincoln. Jr. level (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) and Senior level (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) See attachment from Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> for more details.