

## October News

Dear families,

September has flown by and now we're really getting into the swing of things. There is so much going on in our classrooms!

In today's Friday envelope, you will find your child's first progress report. These are sent home approximately halfway through each quarter of the school year. The purpose of the progress report is to keep you informed about your student's work and conduct. There is no probation attached to this first report. Probation will begin with the first report card. Please sign and return the progress report so we know you've seen it. If you have questions or concerns about grades, please contact your child's teacher.

- The Junior High Staff

### Classroom News

In seventh grade religion, students are learning about how the mystery of the incarnation begins to touch our souls with Baptism. Eighth graders are studying the Eucharist and Baptism in depth, as well as how being a Catholic means being respectful and welcoming of all people.

Our seventh grade literature classes are completing their first novels. Miss Gowen's class read *The Outsiders*, and Mrs. Haverty's class read *The Pearl*. The two classes will now switch books. Our classes read the same books, but not necessarily at the same time.

### *October Notes*

- *Progress Reports - Friday, Oct. 1*
- *No school - Fri., Oct. 8 and Mon., Oct. 11*
- *October dress down day - Oct. 19*

### Teacher Contact Information

For urgent matters, please call the school at 797-7073. We can also be reached by email using the following addresses:

Miss Gowen -  
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Mrs. Haverty -  
maureen.haverty@portlanddiocese.org  
Mrs. McCuller -  
sue.mcculler@portlanddiocese.org  
Mr. Ouellet -  
mitchell.ouellet@portlanddiocese.org  
Mrs. Sargent -  
marilyn.sargent@portlanddiocese.org

### Uniform Reminders

Gray, hooded St. Brigid logo sweatshirts are allowed on gym days only. All hooded sweatshirts are otherwise prohibited, including those used as a substitute for jackets at recess time.

Shorts are not allowed after September 30th except on gym days - and then, they must be under under wind pants or sweatpants during the rest of the day.

### Need Extra Help?

Students are encouraged to ask their teachers for extra help as soon as difficulty begins, rather than waiting until they feel behind and overwhelmed. Each teacher has a day that s/he can stay after school to provide assistance. Students should make arrangements with the teacher at least one day in advance.

Miss Gowen - Wednesday afternoons  
Mrs. Haverty - Monday afternoons  
Mrs. McCuller - Thursday afternoons  
Mr. Ouellet - Every morning at 7 AM; Tuesday afternoons  
Mrs. Sargent - 7 AM Tues.-Thurs. and after school on Thursdays