# St. Aloysius Happy House Learning Center

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## **OCTOBER NEWS 2024**

Dear Parents,

Greetings and peace to all! Our Lord has blessed us with a wonderful start of this new Scholastic Year! The children are adjusting quickly to the new routine. Let us continue to hold each other in prayer.

We have just begun our first Fund Raiser: the sale of World's Finest Chocolates. We are grateful to you parents for taking two or more cases of chocolates to sell between now and October 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be prizes for the 3 top sellers.

### **Prize Awards**

The following activities will take place during the month of October:

- 1. **Rosary Month**: October is the month of the Rosary, because it marks the month of Our Blessed Mother's final apparition in Fatima, Portugal in 1917. During this month, the children will begin learning how to pray the Rosary. October is also Respect Life month. It is fitting to pray the Rosary as a family, asking for the respect of all human life from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death.
- 2. **Photograph Day**. Pictures will be taken in our School on Tuesday, October 1st. The photographers will come to school and take different poses of your child, then they will be sending them to school, and you will pick the pose you like and order the package you want. Make sure you follow the instructions in the letter that was sent home about the clothing the children should wear.
- 3. Our **Pumpkin Picking Trip** to Dykeman Farm will be on Tuesday, October 8th for all classes. Parents will accompany the children as you did at the Apple Picking. The Rain date is October 10<sup>th</sup>. Our Class mothers will provide more information as we get close to the Pumpkin Picking Day.
- 4. Our All-Saints Day **parties** will take place on Wednesday, **October 30<sup>th</sup> at** 10:00 a.m. The children may come to school on that day in Costumes of saints, preferable, as the feast of all Saints follows Halloween day. "Halloween" (Hollow Eve) means "The Eve of all Saints'. This would be a fitting time to introduce the children to these heavenly friends, who pray and watch over us. To have all the children enjoy their school party, **please avoid scary costumes**.

5. **Contact information:** Please keep this information handy.

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| Sr. Nancy Diaz            | 347-610-8931 |
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#### 7. Other Notes:

- 1. Please use the parking lot and avoid parking your car near the school fence on Pell's Road. I ask for your cooperation in this matter.
- 2. School will be closed on October 14<sup>th</sup> in observance of Columbus Day.

### Note:

We need to have in school the current Physical test of each child, as soon as possible. If you have not brought it, please bring it as soon as you can. <u>Please</u>, sign the <u>Lead</u> <u>Information papers the teachers provide at the drop off time</u>.

May God continue blessing our efforts to give our children the best education possible and may our Blessed Mother intercede for us during this Scholastic Year 2024-2025.

| Sincerely yours in Christ, |
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| Sister Shyne Mathai, OBT   |
| Principal                  |