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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy Halloween! The excitement is building for the HSA Halloween Party on Friday and our school Halloween parade and party on Monday. Please check the website for the particulars for each event. Thank you to all who participated in the dress down day event to benefit the Basket Raffle. We're so excited to have these events back up and running.

Last week, we opened "The Hub", which is our combined library and tech room space. The tech room portion has been up and running since the beginning of the school year. The library space has been reconfigured to fit into that room and the students had the opportunity to visit and check out books. They were excited to see the collection and choose books. Many thanks to Mrs. Phillips and her volunteers for their hard work in getting our space into shape.

MAP testing in grades 1-8 has been completed. Over the next two weeks, teachers will be analyzing the scores and adjusting their instruction to support growth for all students. In my last letter, I stated that MAP score reports would be sent home. I was misinformed and therefore misspoke. Hard copies of MAP scores are typically sent home with the end of year report card. If you would like your child's report for the most recent test, please email Mrs. Tkacenko at vtkacenko@stbartseb.com by November 1. We'll print out the reports for those families and send them home.

As you know, the school community traditionally attends Mass each Friday at 10:00 am. Miss Carreon's sixth grade hosted on October 21 and Miss Foley's sixth grade will host Mass on October 28. Fifth grade will host the All Saints Day Mass at 10:00 am on Tuesday, November 1 instead of the Friday Mass. Don't forget that formal dress is required for Mass. Please remember that due to space constraints, only the families of the class that is "hosting" the Mass are invited to attend.

Fr. Tom attended a city council meeting last week, and would like to remind everyone that people who are using Peach Orchard Dr. to make a turn to avoid waiting at the light and then making a u-turn, k-turn, or pulling into private driveways to make a turn may be ticketed.

The end of the first marking period is on Friday, November 4th. It might be a good time to check PowerSchool for missing assignments for your child. Leaving things to the last few days is very stressful for all involved. Report cards will be ready for viewing on November 11. Your child's teacher will be reaching out to schedule a parent-teacher conference. As always, they are optional. Parents may opt for a phone conference, in-person, or via Zoom. If you prefer an in-person conference, we ask that you schedule that during one of the early dismissal days or after school hours.

*The mission of St. Bartholomew School is to love, educate and inspire
our children to live the teachings of Jesus Christ.*

As we feel the chilly fall weather, I strongly encourage you to label all of your child's outerwear and sweaters or sweatshirts with an indelible marker. The number of items located in the lost and found is growing. Please have your child check this area for missing items.

Wishing you a blessed day!

Sincerely,
Mrs. Theresa Craig, M.Ed.
Principal