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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Fall is in full swing and we are busy working on our school work and deepening our faith. During this Month of the Rosary, our students have been participating in this Catholic tradition.

We've finished up the first round of MAP testing in grades 1-8. If you would like your child's report, please contact Mrs. Tkacenko at vtkacenko@stbartseb.com to request a copy of this round of test scores for your child. A hard copy of all test scores for the year will be sent home at the end of the school year.

As a reminder, squeezable sport-top water bottles and disposable water bottles are not permitted at school. Additionally, metal cups with straws that extend above the tops of the cup tend to leak and cause problems in the classrooms and hallways. All students should come to school with a refillable water bottle for their personal use during the day. We have filtered bottle fillers in 3 places on campus for students to refill during the day. Please label these items with your child's name and help them remember to bring them to school.

On Friday, the school community will enjoy the beginning of our Halloween traditions. The volunteers from the HSA have been working to prepare the Halloween party which is scheduled for October 25th from 6-8 p.m. School day celebrations will be on **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31** with the Halloween Parade at noon and class parties being scheduled by individual grades. Our annual Basket Raffle will be on November 15. Tickets are on sale now. This is a major fundraiser for our school. Volunteers and donations are needed. I strongly encourage your participation.

The school community attends Mass each Friday at 10:00 am and we will do so on Friday, November 1 for All Saints Day. Winter uniforms begin on November 1 and continue until after Easter. Please see the school website for the particulars. A reminder that khaki skirts, skorts, and shorts for girls and khaki shorts for boys along with gym shorts are not part of the winter uniform.

The end of the first marking period is on Friday, November 8th, report cards will be ready for viewing on November 15, and teachers will be scheduling parent-teacher conferences between November 18-22. In order for teachers to have adequate time to meet with parents/guardians, we have scheduled early dismissal days on November 21 and 22. For families with students in PreK3 through grade 5, you will conference with your child's homeroom teacher. For middle school students, you will have the opportunity to meet with a pair of teachers who teach the specific grade. Teachers will be reaching out soon with more details and to schedule conferences with you.

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

As we move into the chilly part of fall, I strongly encourage you to label all of your child's outerwear and sweaters or sweatshirts with an indelible marker. As the season changes, the number of items that are left at school are multiplying, especially uniform sweaters, sweatshirts, and vests. It makes things so much easier if the lost item is labeled.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful Month of the Rosary.

God bless,
Theresa Craig, M.Ed.
Principal