

## **Happy New Year!**

On behalf of the entire faculty and staff, I would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt thanks for the most generous Christmas Visa gift cards that were presented as a result of the collection spearheaded by Kerry Gorham. We are most grateful for this act of kindness and thankful everyday for the gift of your children in our classrooms. May your 2021 be filled with excitement and happy times - creating memories that will last a lifetime!

## **Do You Remember the FUN RUN!?!?**

Get ready, get set, we're going to..... DANCE!! Or do some crazy work out moves...?

This year, Our Lady of the Angels School will again be participating in Boosterthon's Fun Run Fundraiser. It will look a bit different, we will create "boxes" on the floor of the gym and each student will have his or her own box to dance or do some work out moves in for 35 minutes. Masks will be worn and we won't be able to have any live spectators but one thing won't change, we're going to have SO MUCH FUN!!! And while we're having fun, we'll be raising funds for the best little school in the City of Worcester! (That's OLA, but I think you already know that!)

Last year we were able to raise an incredible \$34,000!!! I'm still amazed at the support from so many people for our school. We used a large portion of this to make repairs to our roof. Unfortunately, the repairs were unsuccessful. Having a tar roof, leaks could be coming from just about anywhere so although the roofing company did it's best to find where the water was coming from, there are still unanswered leaks that a proving to be troublesome - to say the least. It will be necessary to completely remove the old roof and have a new one installed. The cost for this is estimated to be approximately \$110,000. So, whatever we raise will be put toward the replacement cost of the roof. And then, I promise, you will NEVER hear me talk of the roof again. I'll be long retired by the time a new roof starts leaking. :)

Our kick off for this event will be on January 15th. Between now and then lets start thinking outside the box! Business sponsors were amazing last year - do you know a business you can reach out to for a donation? Do you have a family member or friend who owns a business that might be willing to make a donation? We are a 501 c 3 organization so any donation is tax deductible.

Last year, I challenged the school community to reach a \$20,000. goal and if it was reached, the entire student body would be able to silly string me. Needless to say, I've never been happier to be completely covered by silly string!! This year, the faculty, mostly Mrs. Paquette, would like to see me slimed if we reach our fundraising goal. She even offered to use science classes to make the slime. SO... If we reach our goal again, and we'll keep it at \$20,000, students will have an opportunity to throw a ball at a target that will drop a bucket of slime all over me if it's hit. I'll be hoping to break out my hazmat suit again!!

More information will be coming regarding the Fun Run, soon. Stay tuned!!

**Let's Not Forget - Precautionary Measures Are What Keeps Us at 1220 Main!**

Keep your sick kiddos home. We're rocking the in person learning, we're at 77 days and counting but that won't continue if we don't remain diligent. Please remember, the virus is contagious. It will only take one person to be irresponsible for things to change drastically. Don't. Be. That. Person.