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Dear Families,

On Tuesday, November 14th, you will be receiving a written **Conference Report** containing areas of achievement and areas for improvement, as well as the results of the Early Literacy Renaissance Star Testing in your child's folder. Please note kindergarten does not follow the Grade 1- 8 Report Card schedule.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the **Parent/Teacher Conferences** on Wednesday, November 15th, from 2:30pm to 7:00pm. You received a notice with your scheduled time for the conference in your child's folder last Thursday. Please remember each conference is 10 minutes long. I will be trying very hard to stay on schedule. If you feel you need more time, you can schedule another conference to speak to me before or after school.

The Saint Cecilia School Food Drive continues through this Friday, November 17th. This is the last week to send in items! We have heard many of you have no food left in your pantries! **Thank you so much for your generosity! As of this past Thursday, kindergarten has collected 82 items.** We are very proud of the entire class for being so generous during the past week. **Go Kindergarten!!**

Keep an eye out for **Mr. Turkey**. He will be hiding in your child's folder tomorrow! Please enjoy this fun activity with your child. It is **not** a coloring page. You can use any crafty materials or artistic flairs to decorate the picture to disguise the turkey so no one can tell who he is. The children get so excited to display their own turkey in the classroom and to see what other children create!! Return this project on Monday, November 20th, so the children can present them to the class. **Please do not send it in earlier** so we can view each other's at the same time.

Thank you for supporting our **Sports Program**. **Our first dress-down day is this Tuesday, November 14th.** Take off the correct dated coupon for the fundraiser and send it into school in your child's folder. Please remember, in order to dress down, you must purchase the coupons and bring your coupon to school on the designated day. When dressing down, please refer to the Parent and Student Handbook (non-uniform days) to assure appropriate dress-down clothing. The children (and teachers too!) enjoy wearing "regular clothes" to school occasionally, and

the donations go to a very important program in our school!

This Friday afternoon, November 17th, we are planning to go to the Christmas Bazaar in the Church Hall. Your child will be able to browse or purchase items at this time. Our Church Buddies will accompany the children to help them shop. Please send money in an envelope or a plastic Zip-loc bag with your child's name on it so their Buddies can easily keep track of your child's purchases. The children really enjoy this festive occasion and it's a great deal of fun.

This week in reading, the big book, *Move*, is an informational text. We'll read about how different animals get from place to place in their environment. We will ask the question, "How can details help me understand a selection?"

We will also read, *Jonathan and His Mommy*, a realistic fiction text. Jonathan and his mother like to go out walking and talking. On this day, they walk in many different kinds of ways as they go from place to place through the city. Finally, they get tired and retrace their steps back home.

The word wall words are **a** and **up**. The letter of the week is **Cc**. We will be focusing on the sound Cc makes, naming, writing, and drawing pictures of words that begin with that sound. Adjectives for colors will be reviewed. We will also be writing captions, a special kind of sentence that tells about a picture or photo, when drawing pictures about the stories of the week.

The Decodable Readers are *Cc*, a picture story, and *I Can See*. Again, as your child reads this book to you, have him or her point to each word as it is read.

In math, we will identify, extend, describe, and predict color patterns, as well as growing patterns. The children will be circling the pattern rule, the first group of colors that make up the pattern AB, AAB, ABB, or ABC. This chapter is fun and the entire class is doing a fantastic job!

The religion lesson this week is *God Made Us*. We will learn that God made everyone special and He loves everyone.

Just a reminder: **Lunch Menu Forms need to be returned no later than November 17th** in order to receive Hot Lunch for the month of December.

Lifetouch Pictures will be at St. Cecilia School, Monday, November 20th. If your child was absent or you would like to have your child's picture retaken, please send in the original package.

Grandparents' Day is on Tuesday, November 21st, from 8:45am to 11:00am. Grandparents will be directed to the classroom upon arrival so they may then walk together with the students to the church for Mass beginning at 9:00am. Coffee and pastries will be served at the school afterwards followed by time in the classroom to enjoy with the students. Take home a keepsake for a nominal cost of \$5.00 for a 5X7 photo. Grandparents can arrive as early as 8:30am to begin taking photographs. We can't wait!

Have a great weekend!

Thank you,
Mrs. Lucier and Mrs. Ferreira