



**2022/2023**  
**Guidelines for Homeroom Parents**

# Introduction

Congratulations and thank you for volunteering! Blessed Sacrament Catholic School strives for academic and spiritual excellence. It takes an active, supportive community to provide the help and assistance necessary for our children to have a great school year. Additionally, your service in your child's classroom is a great step in teaching children, service by example.

We hope you find the information in this handout helpful in assisting you as you organize classroom events and support our school.

## Guidelines for Room Parents

Your primary responsibility is to provide support and assistance to the teacher, and act as a liaison of communication between school administration, room parent coordinator, teacher and parents. You will be working as a team with the other grade room parent(s) and teachers.

One of the initial steps in your volunteer time is to meet with grade room parents and teachers. This allows you to introduce yourself to the team and to share ideas. At your meeting you should discuss parties including food and activities that teachers prefer (they have experience with what works), Halloween Carnival responsibilities and Casino Night baskets.

As a room parent, you should maintain close communication with your teacher, coordinating all events in which the class is involved together. Teachers should have all classroom event details. For those grades that have two classes, both grade room parents should work together to plan parties and scheduled events.

With respect to communication with parents, please send a Remind App Message and follow up with a phone call if necessary. **All Remind App Messages should be sent through the school's official account.**

**If at any time during the school year a monetary donation is collected, you will have to provide accounting for those monies, including receipts, to the Parent Engagement Specialist. Envelopes will be available at front office to forward to homeroom parent coordinator to reconcile with accounting.**

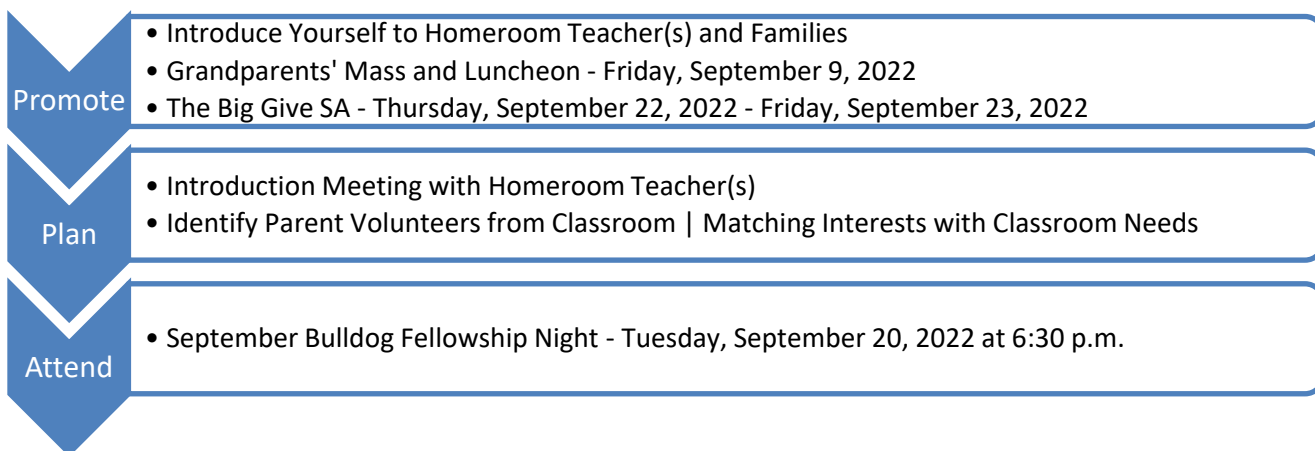
For the safety of our children, when visiting the school, you must sign in at the School Office, wear a visitor's badge, and sign-out when you leave.

At class events, activities, or working on projects, please document and take pictures or video footage that you can share with the school community. Please forward pictures to Parent Engagement Specialist to be compiled in a 2022/2023 file for the school.

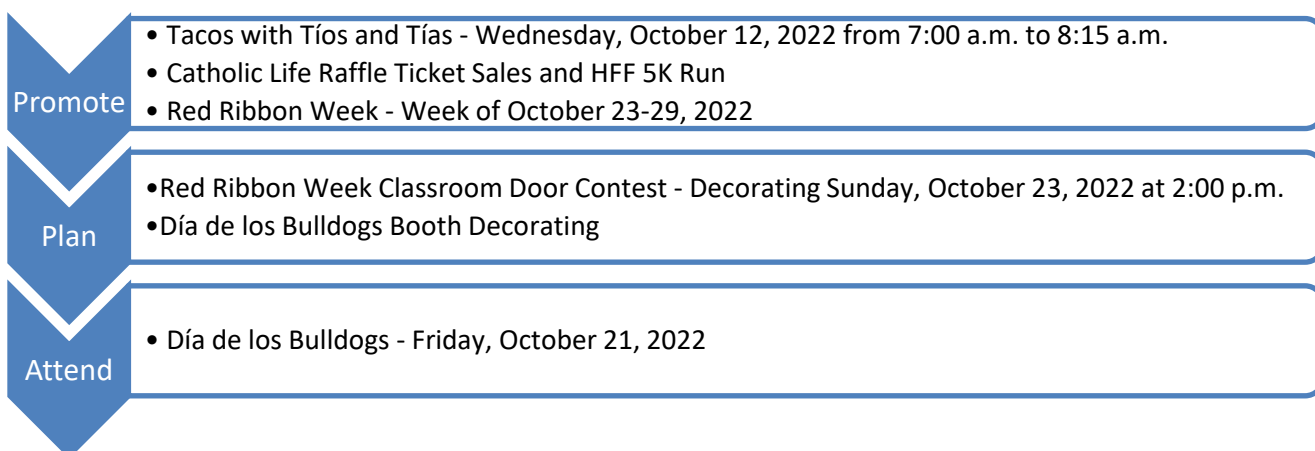
Finally, all Homeroom Parents must attend the quarterly Homeroom Parent Meetings. The first meeting will take place on Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

# Overview of Monthly Activities

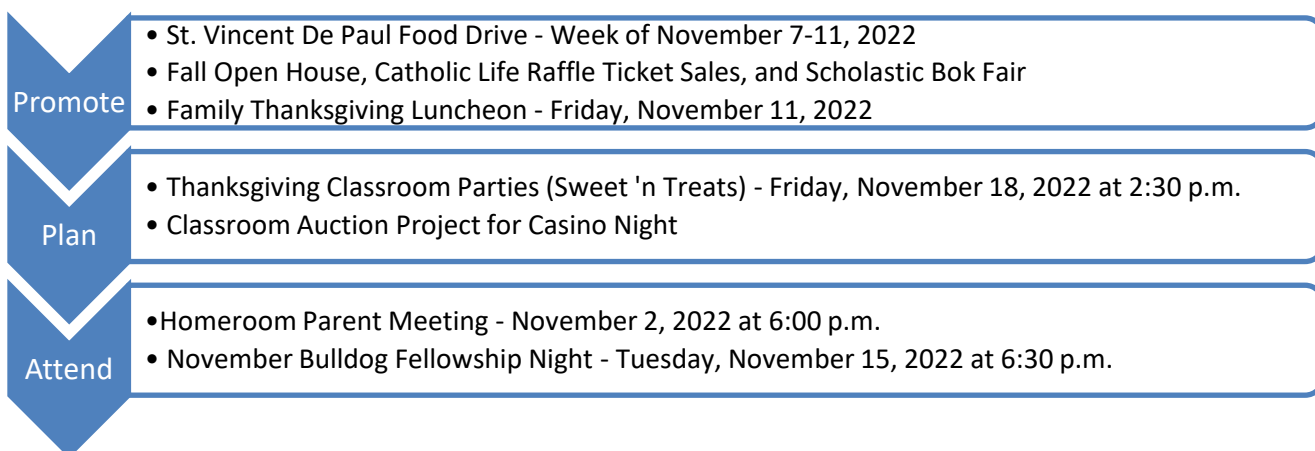
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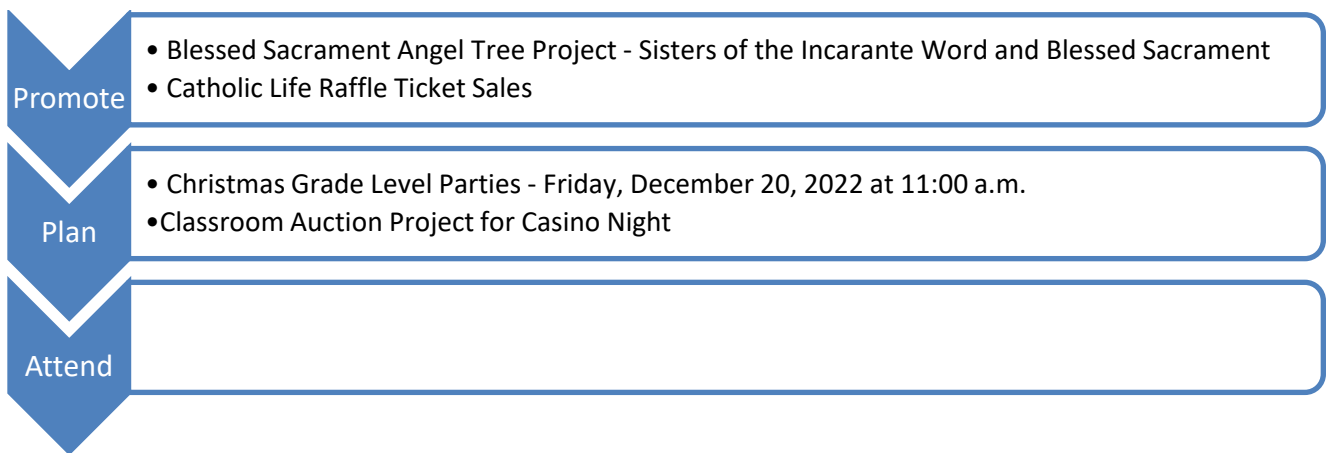
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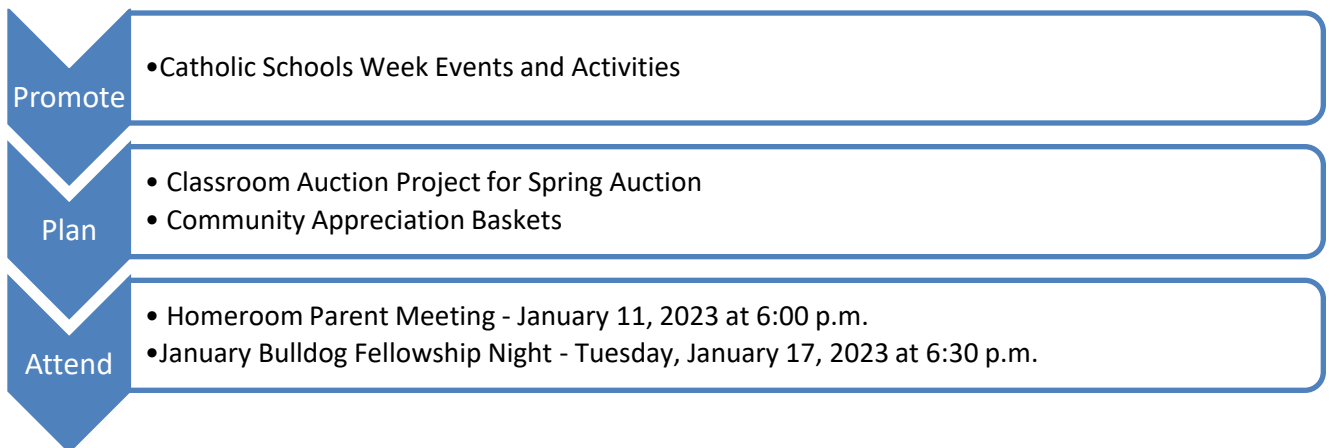
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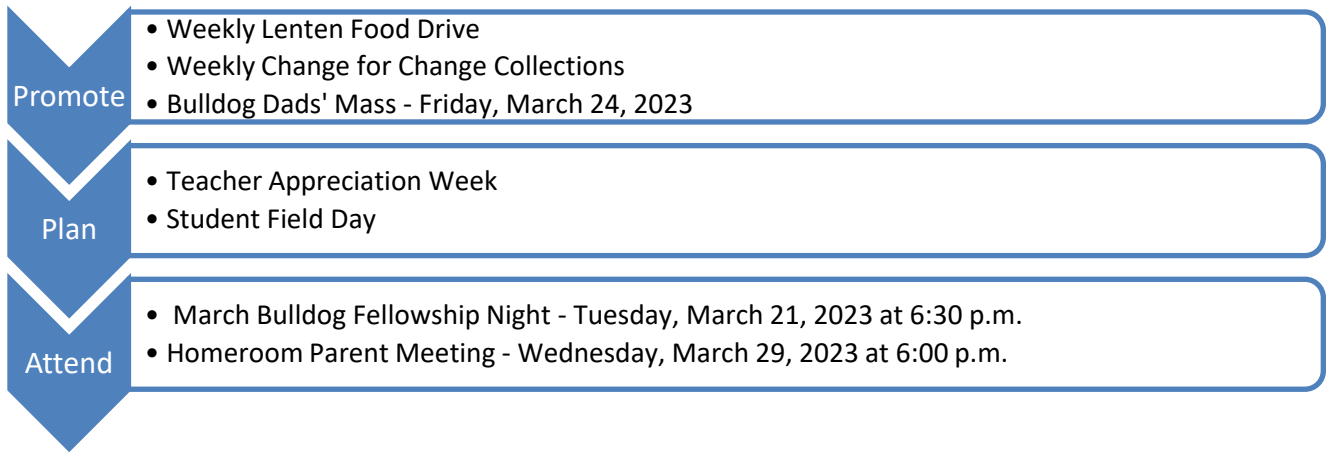
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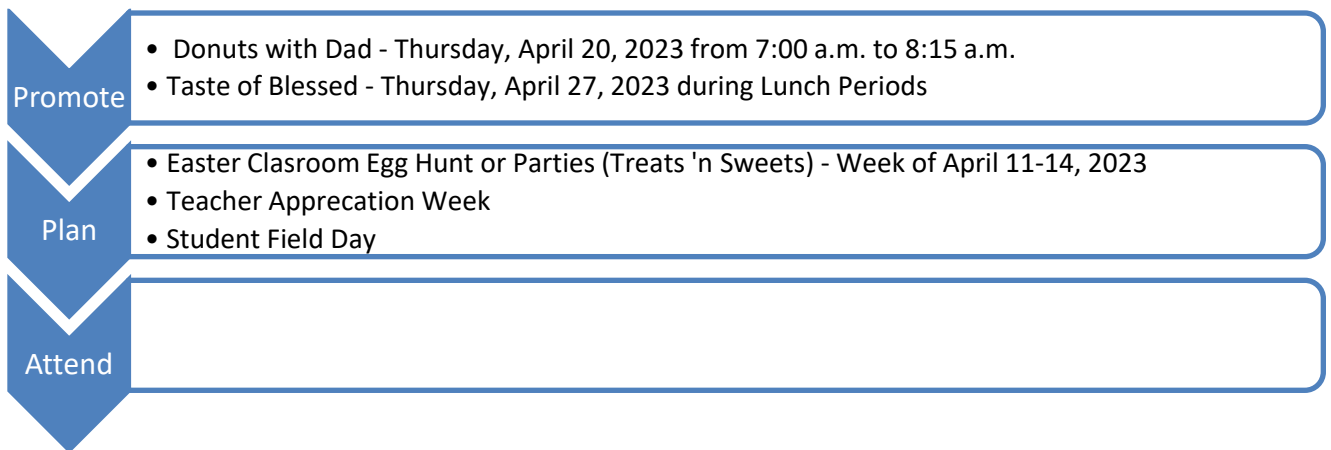
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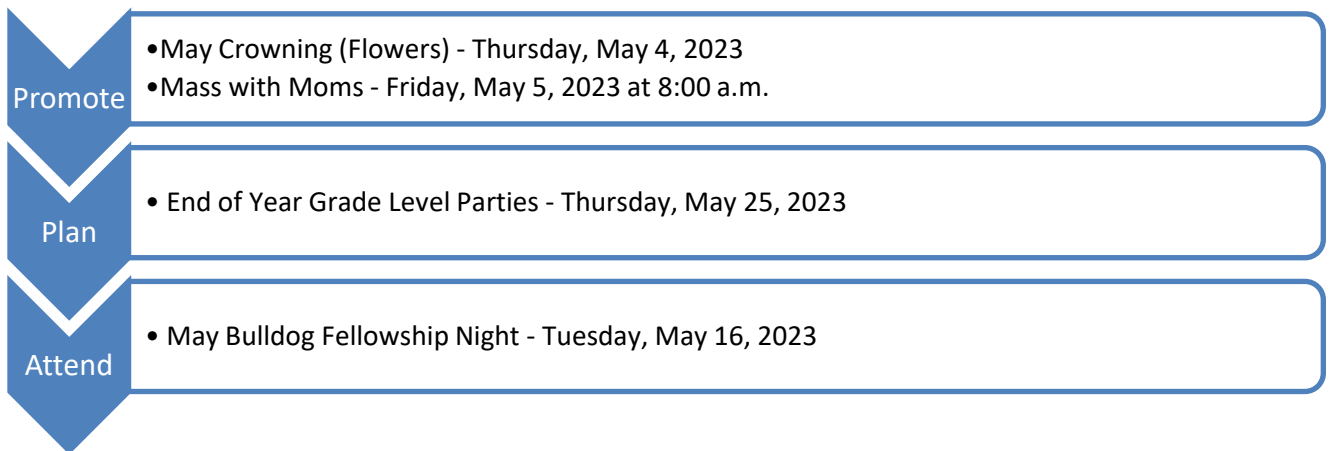
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# Guidelines for Classroom Parties

Homeroom parent(s) are asked to work directly with homeroom teachers in the planning of classroom parties. When planning a classroom party, homeroom parent(s) have two options:

## Option 1

The Homeroom Parent(s) can collect a maximum of \$4.00 per student and use that money to fund a classroom party. Parents may make an additional contribution towards expenses, but it cannot be a requirement for participation. In addition, all receipts must be submitted to the Parent Engagement Specialist within five (5) school days of the classroom party.

## Option 2

The Homeroom Parent(s) may ask for the donations of items to assist in planning the classroom party. All items must be store-bought and in their original container.

## Sweets 'n Treats Guidelines (Thanksgiving, St. Valentine's Day, and Easter)

The following guidelines are **strongly suggested** items as they promote healthy choices that flow from Blessed Sacrament Catholic School's Health and Wellness Policy.

Fruits	Vegetables	Other
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apples</li> <li>• Apricots</li> <li>• Bananas</li> <li>• Blackberries</li> <li>• Cantaloup</li> <li>• Cherries</li> <li>• Grapefruit</li> <li>• Grapes</li> <li>• Honeydew</li> <li>• Kiwis</li> <li>• Mandarin Oranges</li> <li>• Mangos</li> <li>• Nectarines</li> <li>• Oranges</li> <li>• Peaches</li> <li>• Pears</li> <li>• Pineapple</li> <li>• Plums</li> <li>• Raspberries</li> <li>• Strawberries</li> <li>• Tangerines</li> <li>• Watermelon</li> <li>• Applesauce, Fruit Cups or Canned Fruit</li> <li>• Dried Fruit</li> <li>• Frozen Fruit</li> <li>• Fruit Salad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Broccoli</li> <li>• Carrot Sticks</li> <li>• Cauliflower</li> <li>• Celery Sticks</li> <li>• Cucumbers</li> <li>• Bell Peppers</li> <li>• Snap Peas</li> <li>• Snow Peas</li> <li>• String Beans</li> <li>• Tomato Slices</li> <li>• Cherry Tomatoes</li> <li>• Squash Slices</li> <li>• Zucchini Slices</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Animal Crackers</li> <li>• Cereal Bars</li> <li>• Cheese Nips</li> <li>• Cheese Sticks</li> <li>• Crackers</li> <li>• Popcorn</li> <li>• Rice Cakes</li> <li>• Trail Mix</li> <li>• Yogurt Cups/Tubes</li> </ul> <p data-bbox="1029 1297 1105 1325">Drinks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water</li> <li>• Flavored Water</li> <li>• Healthy Juice Blends</li> </ul>

Students may have one (1) bakery item such as cookies, donuts, or muffins as part of the Thanksgiving Parties, St. Valentine’s Day Parties, and Easter Parties.

**Lunch(ish) Party Guidelines (Christmas and End of Year)**

The school understands and recognizes the tradition of more “traditional” parties for Christmas and the End of Year. In those circumstances, a homeroom parent(s) may provide items such as chicken nuggets, pizza, sandwiches, or other hearty items. The school requests, however, that fruit, vegetables, and healthy drink options be provided as part of the Christmas Party and End of Year Party. Soft drinks and energy drinks are not allowed at any school sponsored party without the expressed permission of the **Parent Engagement Specialist**.

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