

February 15, 2017

Dear PSR Parents,

We started with our 3rd Grade classes last week, February 13, 2017 to present the material provided by the Diocese of Cleveland called "Praesidium". It is the program currently in place to educate, heighten awareness and keep our children safe from sexual predators or anyone that may be bullying them. Each grade has three lessons in the "Called to Protect for Young Children and Youth Series" which teach age- specific skill development goals.

- Grade 1 –Rules for Interacting with Others(includes information on bullying)
- Grade 2 – Listening to Your Intuition
- Grade 3 – Secrets: Those You Keep and those You Share
- Grade 4 – Healthy Friendships) includes information on peer to peer abuse)
- Grade 5 – Healthy Privacy (includes information on internet safety)
- Grade 6-8 Called to Protect for Youth
 - Students will learn their three types of boundaries: Physical, emotional, and behavioral.
 - They will learn exactly what to do if someone tries to violate those boundaries.
 - They will learn how to tell their parents or another trusted adult if someone has sexually abused them or a friend. They also learn why it is so difficult for kids to tell someone, and the words to say so they can get protection and the help they deserve.

We Have Parent Handouts that cover the points: Watch, Act and Teach so as parents you are made more aware and in tune with other adults in your children's life. It will help you know what to do and say and also help you teach your children to protect themselves. Copies of this handout will be given to you as you pick up your children on Monday, February 27, 2017 in the walk in line as well as the car line.

To Opt Out: If you would prefer to not have your child attend the PSR session in which this material will be covered please contact me via email.

MTakacs@stmartinvc.org. Each Grade will be presenting on different dates.

The Notice has been in the Bulletin since the end of January

Dates we know so far:

3rd Grade –Monday, February 13

2nd and 6-8 Grade - Monday, February 27, 2017