

Thursday, September 1, 2011

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thanks so much for the great response to the School Mall fund raiser. We actually receive funds for the addresses listed in the booklets. The folks whose addresses were turned in will be receiving additional information by mail. When they shop from the brochure or from the on-line School Mall merchants, St. John continues to receive funds. The on-line stores represented include Target, Sears, Walmart, Kohl's and Best Buy—along with many other recognizable stores. St. John makes money when the on-line shoppers shop through the School Mall website and select our school before shopping. This is a good way for the school to receive funds from items shoppers normally purchase. We truly appreciate your support.

Please ask your children about completing their homework. We've seen a large number of students who are missing noon recess because they have been unprepared for class. I'd like for students to enjoy this break after lunch, but I place a higher priority on school work. If you could work with us to remind your students of the importance of completing homework and being prepared for class, we would really appreciate your efforts. Research shows that students really do value their parents' opinions even when they act as if they don't. Thanks for being our partners in education.

Meanwhile, enjoy the long weekend and remember there's no school on Monday!

Dates to remember:

Thursday, Sept. 1 – Baseball/Softball vs Evansville home 4:15 pm
Sunday, Sept. 4 – Junior Choir sings at 10:00 am service
Monday, Sept. 5 – NO SCHOOL Labor Day Holiday
Thursday, Sept. 8 – Baseball/Softball vs Coulterville away 4:15 pm
Friday, Sept. 9 – EARLY DISMISSAL at 1:30 pm for K-8. Preschool/Extended Care and After School Care will run their regular schedule.
Tuesday, Sept. 13 – Baseball/Softball vs Red Bud Lutheran away 4:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 14 – 1st Quarter Midterm
Thursday, Sept. 15 – Baseball/Softball vs Red Bud Catholic away 4:15 pm
Friday, Sept. 16 – Booster Club Dance for Grades 5-8 at the Parish Hall 7:00 – 9:30 pm
Sunday, Sept. 18 – Primary Choir will sing at the 10:00 am service
Monday, Sept. 19 – PTL Ice Cream Social/Book Fair at the Parish Hall 7:00 pm
Monday, Sept. 19 – Baseball/Softball vs Evansville away 4:15 pm
Wednesday, Sept. 21 – Midterms go home with students in Grades 1-8
Wednesday, Sept. 21 – Baseball and Softball regionals begin
Sunday, Sept. 25 – Junior Choir will sing at the 10:00 am service
Thursday and Friday, Sept. 29 & 30 – NO SCHOOL SID/CID Teachers' Conference in Springfield

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 3 at 6:30 pm – Austin Welge and Derek Mott
Sunday, September 4 at 7:45 am – Christopher Lang and Rachel Walker
Sunday, September 4 at 10:00 am - Matt Smith (Mead) and Sarah Hecht

SCRIP ORDERS

Attached is a new Scrip order and information explaining how the Scrip program works and how to place orders either through school, church, or online.

PTL ICE CREAM SOCIAL & BOOK FAIR

It's not too early to put September 19 on your calendar for the PTL's (Parent/Teacher League's) kick-off Ice Cream Social and Book Fair. Come find out about PTL activities and how you can help support our school. Enjoy a refreshing sundae bar and expand your child's personal library. PTL begins at 7:00 P.M., but feel free to come any time after 6:30 to check out the Book Fair.

BOOSTER CLUB DANCE

The Booster Club will sponsor a dance for the 5th – 8th grade students from St. John, St. Mary's, St. Mark's and Chester Grade School. The dance has been scheduled for Friday, September 16th at the Parish Hall from 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.

9th ANNUAL ST. JOHN DINNER AUCTION

The dinner auction will be Saturday, November 5th. Please remember to turn in your drawing tickets to the school office by Friday, November 4th. If you need any extra tickets, please stop by or call the school office.

Please remember to turn in all forms sent home in the first day packet. These forms include the computer/photo release form, free and reduced lunch application, member caller form. Also, don't forget to turn in your child(ren)'s physical form and shot record (if attending school for the first time or have a child in Kindergarten or 6th grade) and eye exam if your child is in Kindergarten or a new student in Grades 1-8 and a sports physical if your child is in grades 5-8 and planning on playing sports this year.

Mrs. Brenda Owen