



Tiger Connection

Saint Henry School

Tuesday, November 17, 2009

Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

I would like to reiterate a suggestion I gave last year. Next week we celebrate Thanksgiving. This is a time to reflect on the many graces and blessings we have received individually, as a family, and as a nation during the past year. In the midst of transitions and uncertainties it is important to have a faith perspective that reminds us all events and circumstances are held in God's providential hands – Be Not Afraid! We all have so many people and things to be thankful for this year. I would like to encourage you to select a couple of people during the upcoming holiday season to specifically thank in some personal way.

May I suggest to the parishioners of our parishes to take this occasion to express your gratitude to our priests for their gift of self to God's people through their priesthood. We are so blessed to have such good shepherds to take care of our spiritual needs.

Thank you for all you do for the children and Saint Henry School!

In Christ,

Sister Ann Hyacinth, O.P.
Principal

Interim Reports – Reports go home with students next Tuesday.

Spirit Shop - ** NEW ** Saint Henry Blanket

A sample of the new Saint Henry School blanket is on display in the school office. Order by Monday, November 23rd and blankets will be here for Christmas. See attached order form. The order form is also available through our school website.

Saint Henry School to Help the Needy

The Ladies of Charity organization has asked the Catholic schools in our diocese for help in collecting food for those who are in need. They will be making Christmas baskets and Saint Henry School has volunteered to collect navy or northern beans (preferably 1 lb. plastic bags). We are asking that each student bring in a 1 lb. bag of beans on Friday, December 4th to help us fulfill our goal of 700 lbs. of beans. Buy your bags now before

the shelves are empty! Thank you in advance for your generosity. Please do not forget the Saint Henry food pantry!

Witness of the Week

PreK -4th grade witness of the week is Addy Williams in Sister John Agnes' class. Addy showed her classmates her patience and generosity when she allowed a first grader to go ahead of her at the water fountain and when she volunteered to walk a classmate to the clinic instead of watching a movie. The 5th-8th grade witness of the week is Rob Heins in Mrs. Braniff's class. Rob showed his classmates how to be a true gentleman when he held the door open for the ladies in his class and also made some of the other boys wait until all the ladies were through the door.

Next Week All School Mass on Tuesday

We will have Mass at 8:05 for the entire school on Tuesday, November 24th. This is a fitting time to come together and praise God for all of the good He has bestowed upon us.

Thanksgiving Holidays

The school will be closed next Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (Nov. 25, 26, 27) for Thanksgiving.

Cold and Flu Season . . .

We are into that season when colds are making their appearance. Please do not send children to school if they have a fever or have vomited within 24 hours. We appreciate your charity by reducing the chance of spreading germs! Anyone who wants to send in extra Clorox wet wipes can feel free to do so . . . making sure that our common surfaces are clean and can help to reduce many germs that are around.

We also encourage families to address with their children the practice of washing hands with soap, using tissue for those runny noses, and keeping fingers out of one's mouth. Is your child wearing a coat, hat, and gloves to school on these cold days???

Advent

Advent is right around the corner. Sunday, November 29th is the first Sunday of Advent. Plan ahead and try to find and create ways to keep Jesus Christ at the center of Christmas.

Cafeteria Change

The cafeteria will have a Thanksgiving feast on November 19th. Mark your calendars

Box Tops for Education

Thank you to everyone for a fabulous contest! Over 3,000 box tops were turned in the last week of The Great Pumpkin contest. The winner is Mrs. Wesley's 1st grade class with 919 box tops followed by Mrs. Armour's 3rd grade class with 805 and Mrs. Nolan's 1st grade class with 737. The contest results are on the poster near the cafeteria. Keep clipping! We are exactly half way to our goal of \$3,000 for the year. New contest details will be announced soon.

Christmas Concert

Mark your calendars for our Christmas Concert, Wednesday, December 9th. The concert begins at 7:00 pm.

Thank You

To the 5th grade teachers and their classes for bringing the Saints alive last week. The students, faculty, and parents enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about our favorite Saints!

To Mrs. Bradley, Mrs. Kiser, and Sister John Agnes for the many hours of preparation with our second graders who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation last Wednesday.

To Father Mike, Father Wolf, and our visiting priests for hearing confessions for our 2nd graders' First Reconciliation.

Thank You To Saint Henry Families

Last Friday 1/2 of our food collection went to a wonderful organization called North Nashville Outreach. We received a call that they were in dire need of some help. We want to thank the community of Saint Henry for giving so much food. We received a beautiful card from the North Nashville Outreach that we would like to share with you.

"Dear Sister Ann Hyacinth,
Thank you so much for the wonderful donation of groceries and household items. Our shelves in our food pantry had been looking almost bare. The timing of your gifts was excellent. It always makes us happy to be able to give families a generous food box. May God bless all of you, and enjoy a Happy Thanksgiving."
Gratefully,
Sister Naomi, Sally, & Staff

Out Of Uniform

Out of uniform day is November 20th for those who qualified for their sales of cookie dough. The out of uniform is SHS spirit shirts of some kind along with jeans.

We have the following extra Otis Spunkmeyer items:

\$14 Chocolate Chip--3 Tubs
\$15 Strawberry Shortcake--8 Tubs
\$14 Carnival--5 Tubs
\$15 Chocolate Chocolate Chunk--14 Tubs
\$15 Cranberry Oatmeal--3 Tubs

\$14 Triple Chocolate Chunk--9 Tubs
\$15 White Chocolate Macadamia Nut--7 Tubs
\$14 Peanut Butter--8 Tubs
\$15 The Holiday Joy Cookie--2 Tubs
\$15 Pretzel Kit--3 Boxes
\$15 Apple Cinnamon Coffee Cake--7 Pans
\$15 Grilled Cheese Stuffed Pretzel--3 Boxes
\$15 Double Chocolate Chip Brownies--9 Pans

PLEASE LET US KNOW BY THURSDAY AT 3:00 IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING SOME EXTRA COOKIE DOUGH.

Home & School-

DYK...that Saint Henry School raised \$23,000 with the Otis Spunkmeyer cookie dough!!!

DYK...that Saint Henry School raised \$10,000 through our inaugural 5K Run!!! We are on the right track to achieving our fund raising goal this year.

DYK...that we would appreciate hearing from you about these first events. Any constructive criticism and/or praise is always welcome. Just send a note to school made out to H&S and the office will put it in our box. Thank you.

DYK... Mrs. Lawson has Kroger cards available at her desk. Remember that if you load your card with \$ and shop this holiday season the school earns 4% of your purchases (even on gasoline) So if I spend \$100 a week from now until the New Year that's \$700 and \$28 for the school. But if we all did that it would mean \$28x 408 families= \$11,424 for Saint Henry School. Wow! Let's give it a try please.

DYK...that the dinner/auction at the Loveless Barn is 12 weeks away. Save the date for February 6th. The auction committee needs more help with soliciting businesses for auction items. Please contact bholzapfel@comcast.net if you will help. If you have an item to donate or even a connection to a business that might be willing to contribute, contact me as well.

Safety Alert!

Cell Free Zone – Your undivided attention is needed in the dismissal area to protect our children. Please refrain from using cell phones while driving in the dismissal area and be conscience of driving slowly in this area. Thank you!!