



Tiger Connection

Saint Henry School

Tuesday, August 18, 2009

Principal's Message

Dear Parents:

Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our seasoned families. The first few days of school have been filled with the joyful sounds of the children. It seems like everyone is settling in for a good school year.

On Friday, the students, faculty, staff, and administration were present as our Pastor, Father Mike Johnston, blessed the new playground area and equipment. I reminded the students of the appropriateness of offering everything we have and do back up to God so He can in return bless our efforts. After the blessing the children were divided into groups and given a time to tryout the new equipment. It was a joy to watch them at play! May God bless and reward all those who have worked to make this initial phase a reality over the summer. In particular I want to thank school committee members Paschal O'Dwyer, John Lynch, and Mary Beth Hargrove as well as staff members Lynette Bailey, Mike Millican and Pete Weaver for their efforts on this project.

During our Parent Expectation Nights and over the next several weeks in the Tiger Connection I will continue communicating ongoing initiatives for the 2009-2010 school year. With time and the help of so many, it is an exciting future for our school! It is a privilege for me to be Principal of Saint Henry School and share with you the wonderful responsibility of bringing the truth and love of Jesus to our children.

In Christ,

Sister Ann Hyacinth, O.P.

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Any items for the Tiger Connection should be submitted for consideration by Friday of each week.

Parents' Expectation Nights

The first Parent Expectation Night is for parents of students in grades Pre- K-5th. We will meet in the gym on Wednesday, August 26th at 7:00 p.m. Time will be provided to visit your child's homeroom.

The second Parent Expectation Night is for parents of students in grades 6th-8th. The date is September 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the gym.

Please feel free on both nights to walk about the new playground from 6:00 to 6:45 before our meeting.

Welcome New Teachers

Please welcome our new teachers to Saint Henry School:

- Rachel Burkey – 6th-8th Music/K-4 Spanish
- Sister John Agnes O.P.-2nd Grade
- Sister Maria Kolbe O.P. – 7th and 8th Grade
- Kerry Connor – Library Aide
- Debbie Callahan – Kindergarten Aide
- Mary Roushdi - Nurse
- Caroline Ratchford – Art Aide

Boo Hoo Breakfast

The Boo Hoo Breakfast on Thursday, August 20th will be in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 a.m. for all Kindergarten Parents. Please park behind the school near the entrance to the Fellowship Hall.

All School Mass

All school Mass tomorrow at 8:00, all are welcome.

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!!

Please complete and return the following forms by August 28th:

- **Emergency & Illness Information Form**

We care about your child's safety. The emergency form is an important document that will help us to protect your children and to be prepared in case of illness or injury. Please fill out one form (it was sent home through your child) per child and send it back to school.

- **Parent/Student Handbook Agreement Form**
- **Grandparents Day**
- **Press Release Form**

Student Picture Days

Pictures for students in grades Pre-Kindergarten M/W/F and K-4 will be on Monday, Sept. 14th. Pictures for students in grades Pre-Kindergarten T/Th and 5-8 will be on Tuesday, Sept. 15th.

Monday Dismissal Time

School dismisses at 2:00 p.m. on Mondays for faculty meetings. Pick up time is 2:00-2:15. No Late Pick Up Program is available on Mondays because the teachers are in meetings.

At School Accident Insurance

Included in the fee already paid for each student is the premium for "At School Accident Insurance" which includes athletics and school activities. Parent/Guardians may purchase at their expense supplemental accident insurance. If interested, please pick up a United Healthcare brochure in the office.

Tiger Sports

5th/6th Grade Volleyball Registration

Attached is the registration form for Volleyball. Please return the completed form to the main office by Monday, August 24th.

K thru 8th Cross Country Registration

Attached is the registration form for cross country. Please return the completed form to the main office by Monday, August 24th.

DIOCESAN HEALTH FORMS FOR ALL ATHLETES

Remember to have your completed health form on file in the office. Athletes cannot participate in practices/games until the form is completed. The form is available at www.nashvilledac.com.

COACHING OPPORTUNITIES

Several coaches are needed for cross country and volleyball. If you are interested in coaching, please email Marty Blair at martyb@starpt.org or call him at 476-8446.

Football Schedules

Football schedules for 5th/6th and 7th/8th grade teams are posted at www.nashvilledac.com. Be sure to come and cheer on your school!

Pep Rally

Please join us on Friday, August 28th at 2:00 in the gym for our first Pep Rally of the season. Let us also pray for the safety of our student athletes throughout this season. Athletics is a wonderful vehicle to more deeply develop the human person and it means to a greater spiritual discipline. Pope John Paul II said of athletics, "it is a training ground of virtue, a school of inner balance and outer control, an introduction to more true and lasting conquest". **Show Your School Spirit...** Students may wear jeans (without tears, rips or shredded) and a Saint Henry t-shirt for our Pep Rally. The t-shirts may be from a Saint Henry sport, a past Saint Henry Faith Rally or Saint Henry PE shirt. Football players 5th -8th are allowed to wear their jerseys over one of their spirit shirts.

Altar Servers

Deacon Deschenes recently spoke to students in grades 5 – 8 about Altar Serving. Your child has a form today that needs to be filled out and returned to the school office as soon as possible even if they are already serving. *We need forms on all students who are serving even those who have turned in forms in previous years.* 5th grade students who turned in forms last spring will not be bringing home forms today. If you have any questions or if your child no longer wants to be an Altar Server, please call Paula Proctor in the Church Office at 352-2259 or email pproctor@sthenry.org.

Mary: Queen of Families

A family enrichment conference is being held at St. Ann Catholic Church in Morganfield, KY August 22, 2009. For more details call Kathy Lawson at 352-1328 or stop by Saint Henry School and pick up a flier.

World Book Online

Saint Henry School subscribes to World Book Online Reference Center, and students and teachers may access it at home if they have internet access.

Address: www.worldbookonline.com

Username: sthenry6401

Password: tigers

Accelerated Reader Quiz List

Lists of all the Accelerated Reader Quizzes owned by Saint Henry School can be found on the school website under the Library section.

Thanking our Home & School Association

The Home & School Association provided each teacher with \$50 to spend in the classrooms and sponsored a coffee and luncheon for teachers during Teacher In-Service days.

They also provided a wonderful coffee to welcome parents back to the school year on the first day of school. Thank you Home and School!

Home & School Officers for 2009-2010

Presidents: Sara Beth Schwab & Beth Holzapfel

President Elect:

Secretary: Anna Brown

Secretary Elect: Maria Rodriguez

Treasurer: Linda Roach

Treasurer Elect: Sue Faulkner

Information Coordinator: Diane Bledsoe

Information Coordinator Elect: Robin Crist

*Please note, we need volunteers to fill the president elect positions ASAP. Please contact Sara Beth or Beth if interested. The Home and School Association is sponsored by the school to assist in all needs of our student body including but not limited to school functions and fund raising efforts.