



# Tiger Connection

Saint Henry School

Tuesday, September 22, 2009

## Principal's Message

October is one of two months that the Church dedicates for special devotion to our Blessed Mother. The Catechism reminds us in #971 that "The Church rightly honors the Blessed Virgin with special devotion. From the most ancient times the Blessed Virgin has been honored with the title of *Mother of God*, to whose protection the faithful fly in all their dangers and needs." In particular during the month of October we seek Mary's aid through our devotion to the rosary.

We live in a very busy world and sometimes we can let "doing things" get in the way of being with one another and simply being with the Lord. Try to take time during the month of October to pray a decade or a whole rosary together as a family. You will be surprised to see so many "problems" melt away! Let us ask Mary to intercede for our school and each other.

Lastly, please take this progress report time to encourage your child in the good work that they do. There may be areas they need to focus on more than others, but overall everyone is doing very well. I like to remind the children that as long as they are doing the best they can, with the time they have, for the love of God, we are all pleased with their efforts.

In Christ,

Sister Ann Hyacinth, O.P.

Principal

## Emergency Drills

Our Lockdown drill will be Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. This drill is used in the event that an unauthorized person should ever enter Saint Henry School with the intent to harm or a potentially threatening person is seen in the immediate area. Age appropriate directions will be discussed among the teachers and then teachers will talk with students during the last two weeks of September regarding our lockdown procedures prior to an actual drill.

## Tiger Connection Attachments

Starting October 6<sup>th</sup> attachments to the Tiger Connection, requiring copying by the school, will be posted on the Website rather than sent home. If you have an item that would normally be copied and attached to the Tiger

Connection, you will need to send an electronic copy to the school at [tcattachment@sthenry.org](mailto:tcattachment@sthenry.org). A list of the week's postings will be listed in the Tiger Connection.

## SchoolReach Emergency Notification

If you have phone number or e-mail changes to your emergency notification contact list please e-mail us at [alert@sthenry.org](mailto:alert@sthenry.org). In the event of an emergency, you will now receive a message from [alert@sthenry.org](mailto:alert@sthenry.org).

## Student Picture Retake Day

Picture retake day will be Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. This is not an out of uniform day for those students having their picture taken. They may bring a collared shirt with them to change into for the picture or they may have their picture taken in their uniform.

## Witness of the Week

Witness of the Week for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade is Erin Furlong in Sister Maria Kolbe's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class. She recognized how busy Ms. Burkey was and unselfishly volunteered to put together the Mass choir binders every week. Witness of the week for Pre-K-4<sup>th</sup> grade is McKenzie Cheatham and Lily Kroese in Mrs. Luton's Kindergarten class. These two girls have gone out of their way to be especially nice to another classmate who is having trouble adjusting to school.

## First Friday Adoration

Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> is the first Friday of the month so we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30-2:30pm. Take a moment out of your busy day and spend time with the Lord. I think you will find it a moving experience to see how beautifully and reverently your children pray. The new Faith Rally shirts should arrive before October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Students may wear the new Faith Rally shirt and jeans on First Fridays. Also, on First Friday, we ask students to bring in a needed food item for those who are in need in the community. Thank you for always being so generous to others!!

## Winter Uniform AND SKIRT LENGTH

Please remember that the winter uniform begins Tuesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Refer to the parent handbook for specific details. We ask that parents take note of the length of the girls' skirts and jumpers. Some of the girls have grown

and are wearing uniforms that are not the appropriate length.

## Dismissal Note

Children remaining after the 3:15 bell are escorted by teachers to late pickup in the dining hall. If you are late, please do not ask other parents to supervise your children after this time. Thank you for being attentive to this safety and legal issue.

## Scouts

To all boy and girl scouts. You are allowed to wear your scout uniform on the day you are having your troop meeting.

## Basketball Sign-Ups Grades 3-8

Any 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grader interested in playing SHS basketball must register with a parent or guardian on

**Thursday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:00 - 4:00 pm or**

**Friday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2:00 – 4:00 pm**

Registration will be held in the gym. Cost is \$50 per child. Health form **MUST** be on file to participate.

**Anyone interested in coaching basketball, please contact Mr. Blair 476-8446.**

## Diocesan Forensics Starts NOW:

Drama competition will provide real world skills including self-confidence, organization, reasoning, and public speaking to carry over into adulthood.

- Team eligibility is open to 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Practices are Mondays 2:00-4:30PM. All meets will be **held** on Saturdays at various parochial schools in Nashville.
- Registration fee of \$65.00 on or before the Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> practice (this covers diocesan fees for all meets).

Parents of participating children will be required to volunteer to be judges for at least 2 Saturday competitions. One mandatory judges' training will be provided at Saint Henry (date & time will be announced at a later date).

## St. Genesian

St. Genesian Society Reminder: All students wishing to become a part of Saint Henry's honor society and drama club should have their permission slips turned into the office no later than Friday, Sept. 25th. Blank forms are available at Mrs. Lawson's desk.

## Raising Strong Daughters & Virtuous Sons

Please join Dr. Meg Meeker, author & pediatrician, in the Saint Cecilia Theater on Thursday, September 24, 2009, at 6:30 pm.

## How & Why You Should Teach Your Kids To Say No to Alcohol, Sex, & Drugs

Please join Dr. Meg Meeker Friday, September 25, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Saint Cecilia Theater. Dr. Meeker has been on the frontline of treating teens & children for more than 20 years. She will talk about how television, marketing, movies, peer-pressure and more affects her patients and helps parents realize how much influence they do have.

**Saint Henry School Mission Statement** – Saint Henry Catholic School strives to build God's kingdom through prayer, academic integrity, and service to others.

**School Motto** – Educating for Life, Guided by Christ

## Green Team

Take your "green" to work with you! Over half of working adults *don't* follow the same green practices they utilize at home, according to a recent EPA survey. Taking energy-saving steps at work are important, as the energy used to support just one office worker for a day causes more than twice the air pollution as that worker's drive to and from work! You can learn more about resource-conserving practices in the workplace at [www.energystar.gov/work](http://www.energystar.gov/work)

## Home and School News

Did You Know... that cookie dough/smart card sales start today and end Oct 6th!!!

DYK...that the Otis Spunkmeyer dough is nut free. It is safe for peanut/ tree nut allergy people. The nut dough is made on a separate day in the factory from the dough containing no nuts. Also, in between days the machines are sanitized and tested for allergens. Also, you can go to <http://www.spunkmeyer.com/> and look at the ingredients for each cookie to determine which are safe for nut allergy children.

DYK... That if each student sold 5 tubs of cookie dough we would make \$28,875. That is more than 25% of our fundraising goal of \$100,000.

DYK... That if each student sold 1 Nashville Enjoy the City coupon book SHS would make about \$7,000. If each student sold just 1 Smart Card SHS would make \$4,900. That is another \$11, 900.

DYK...that the name of our race on Nov. 7th is "Saint Henry Tiger Town 5K" and the artwork was designed by Mary Francis Hoots an 8th grade student here at SHS!!! Way to go Mary Francis!!!

DYK... that a 5K is 3.1 miles. Get ready to run!