

THE WEEKLY UPDATE

NEWS FROM ST. JOHN-SACRED HEART SCHOOL
October 5, 2012



OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE A QUALITY ACADEMIC EDUCATION FOR LIFE-LONG LEARNING ROOTED IN THE CATHOLIC TRADITION.

This UPDATE contains the following communications:

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LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents,

Now past the half-way point of the first quarter, I would encourage you to check Power School to monitor your child's progress. If you have any questions, please contact his/her teacher for clarification.

MAP testing will be completed next week. The students have worked very diligently on the tests. Results will be provided by the end of the month.

Remember that school is not in session on October 12 due to the diocesan teacher in-service.

The Development Committees and School Board meet next week Thursday, October 11. If you are willing to serve on either the committee or the board, please contact the school office for more information.

Thank you to the Pie Committee and all of the helpers who supported this fundraising project. It was a very successful event.

Together in Christ,
Kerry Sievert

PARENT/TEACHER/STUDENT CONFERENCES: K3-8

Tuesday, November 13, 4:00-8:00 and Wednesday, November 14, 8:00-11:00

Parent/teacher conference time is approaching! The teachers look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's academic and behavioral progress during this first quarter. It is very important that you attend and meet with the teacher.

Parents of students in grades 6-8 will be assigned to meet with one of their child's teachers. If you need to speak to a specific teacher, please indicate that below. Due to time constraints, it may not be possible for you to meet with more than one teacher during the scheduled conferences. If that is the case, we can set up another meeting date and time with you.

Student attendance at conferences in grades 3-8 is optional. For those of you with children in K3 through grade 2, the teachers are asking that you do not bring your child(ren) to the conferences.

For grades 3-8, only the child whose conference is being held should be present in the classroom. Siblings should remain in the hall during the conferences.

Conference times of 15 minutes will be scheduled according to your indicated preferences as much as possible. If you believe you need more time, please set up a different meeting date with your child's teacher. Time will be allotted for travel between the two buildings.

Please complete the form below indicating your conference time preference. Every effort will be made to schedule you for your first choice. If you are unavailable on November 13-14, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a special conference time. If you have more than one child, be aware that you may have to come to school on multiple dates as teachers do not always have dates when they are mutually available. **We need to see each and every family.**

Please return the form by Thursday, October 19. It will be returned to you, via one of your children by November 2. Report cards will be sent home on November 9 (except K3). Parents are asked to sign the report card and return it and the envelope **when coming to the conference.**

CONFERENCE SIGN UP FORM

*** Please indicate your top three time preferences, by **writing "1", "2", or "3"** in front of your preferred time slots. If you have children in both buildings, consideration of travel time will be given when scheduling the conferences.

November 13

___ 4:00-5:00 ___ 5:00-6:00 ___ 6:00-7:00 ___ 7:00-8:00

November 14

___ 8:00-9:00 ___ 9:00-10:00 ___ 10:00-11:00

Signature _____

For Grades 6-8....

You will be assigned to one of your child's teachers unless you indicate the specific teacher you wish to be assigned to see: _____

Please list any other teachers you wish to see if the schedule allows: _____.

IPA FAMILY FALL FEST

WOW!! A big **THANK YOU** to all who have so generously responded to our request for supplies and materials needed to make this year's Family Fall Fest a fun night for all – we very much appreciate your help!! We still need a few items, ***especially toilet paper rolls***, to finish preparations for this year's event. Please see the updated **"Do You Have...."** list attached to this week's newsletter to determine how you may contribute. Supply donations may be dropped off with Peggy in the school office by Thursday, October 11 – please indicate that your materials are for the Fall Fest. ***Please contact Debbie Phipps directly at 439-2323 or debbie.phipps@tds.net if you are able to help with spray paint donations.***

Also, we still need approximately 10 adult volunteers to help staff a few of the activities for the evening. Parents of some of our older students may consider helping in this capacity in order to allow families with younger children to enjoy the evening's activities together? Please see the **"Family Fall Fest Can You Help....."** attachment to the September 21 newsletter to see where you can help with staffing and contact Debbie Phipps at 439-2323 or debbie.phipps@tds.net. Again, SJSH alums who still have younger siblings attending SJSH school would be most welcome to help in this capacity! Thank you for your support!

Lastly, if you plan on attending the Fall Fest on Friday, October 19 and have not already done so, please print and complete the RSVP attachment to last week's newsletter and return to your child's teacher by **Thursday, October 11** in order to assist us in planning for this event. As in the past, children may come in costume if they wish, but costumes are not a requirement for admission. Come join us for an evening of games, crafts, treats and socializing – we look forward to seeing you!

Do you have ?

Many of your favorite activities from past events are back! This year's theme is **"Going Green in Fall"** and promises to be a fun family event! Please contact Debbie Phipps at 439-2323 or debbie.phipps@tds.net if you are willing or able to donate any of the following props/supplies to be used at the Fall Fest on Friday, October 19, 2012:

Empty toilet paper tubes . . . for one of 3 craft project choices. We are looking to collect approximately 40 - 45 tubes by Wednesday, October 10.

2 rolls of painter's tape to be used to mark off game grids on the floor. Using painter's tape should eliminate the sticky residue left by masking or duct tape.....

SCRAPBOOK FUNDRAISER

The first scrapbook weekend is just around the corner! It is scheduled for Friday, November 2nd and Saturday, November 3rd. The registration form is posted with this newsletter and is also on the website. This event will benefit our 8th grade graduating class. We hope you can join us!!!