

All Saints Catholic School News
August 24, 2009



For more details about the purpose of the letter writing campaign, please read the article, "From Our Diocesan Office included in this newsletter.

The teachers and I want you to know how much we appreciate our parent partners who assist us with leadership. Although the teachers and staff have worked diligently to prepare their classrooms, building community, and sharpen their instructional skills, we can't do it without you.

As Father Kent pointed out in his homily this weekend, "everything we do during the week leads to our celebration on Sunday." Let's all make a resolution to make Mass attendance a priority so that the parking lot and pews are overflowing with gratitude and joy every weekend. God bless!

A very big thank you goes out to the Kelly Shank and the Falcon Club for organizing the wonderful and successful. Open House Picnic on Sunday, August 23. I also wish to thank Bridgett Root for arranging the Belmont Pool Party. What great opportunities to get to know one another as we begin the new school year. Look for the first monthly Falcon Newsletter to be emailed later this week.

I also want recognize Julie Jardine for preparing the letters to Governor Strickland, State Senator Mark Wagoner, and State Representative Randy Gardner. If you did not receive letters to mail on Sunday, please call the school office and we will send them home with your child(ren).

Are you a rule follower in your workplace? At All Saints School, we expect that our students and families understand that our school rules are necessary to keep people safe, create harmony, be more productive teachers and learners, and help us to live as followers and friends of Jesus.

All Saints Rules are easy to understand and follow because we teach, model and practice them daily. We have only three and they are based on Luke's Gospel . . . "Love the Lord Your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind. Love your neighbors as much as you love yourself."

All Saints Catholic School Rules
Respect Yourself and Do Your Personal Best
Respect Others and Live as Jesus Taught Us
Respect Property and Care for our Environment



Classroom rules and procedures are connected to the school rules but are developmentally appropriate for the grade level.

Parent/Guardian's Code of Conduct

Parents as well are expected to support our rules. A Catholic school is most successful when the administration, the teachers, and the parents partner for the good of the child. The school community is a community of faith where the dignity of each person is respected. Mutual support and cooperation among all those guiding the lives of the children are essential for effective formation and education.

All Saints Catholic School is committed to working with you for the good of your child. We are committed open, honest communication. We will treat both you and your children with dignity and respect.

For your part, your decision to enroll your child in this school indicates your willingness to support and cooperate with the leadership and faculty of the school. Specifically:

- To speak with a civil and respectful tone of voice at all times
- To discuss disagreements and conflicts out of earshot of children
- To follow proper channels when conflicts arise (Speak with teacher first, then the Principal)
- To respect the principal's and teachers' time by seeking appropriate appointments for discussion of issues

After reading and careful consideration of the article, I hope you will be a rule follower.

Welcome to our new teachers . . .

Matt Gruenwald -- Grade 6 Accelerated Math, Grade 7 Pre-Algebra, Grade 8 Algebra

Christine Erhardt -- Kindergarten (not 3rd)

Amanda Craig -- Grade 3

Pam Rudolph -- Grade 4

Jackie Taylor -- School Psychologist

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Place	Time
Aug. 25	Parent-Teacher Mtgs. – Grs. 1 & 2	Classrooms	7:00 PM
Aug. 26	Preschool Parent-Teacher Meeting	Community Room	7:00 PM
Aug. 27	Parent-Teacher Mtgs. – Grs. 3, 4, & 5	Classrooms	7:00 PM
Aug. 31	First Day for Preschool Students	Classroom	7:55 AM
Sept. 1	Parent-Teacher Mtgs. Grs. 6, 7, & 8	Classrooms	7:00 PM
	Sports Physicals	Community	6:00-7:30 PM

Extended Learning: Monday-Friday from 7:30-7:55 AM and 2:30-3:30 PM

Extended Learning will begin in the library on Tuesday, September 8. There will be a charge of \$3.75 for the afternoon session.

Band Student

Students who were in Beginning Band last year are now in Intermediate Band. For the first two weeks, Intermediate Band will meet at 2:30-3:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning August 27. When Beginning Band starts in a few weeks, Intermediate Band will meet on the same days but from 3:30-4:30 PM. Any student who already plays a band instrument but has not been in the All Saints' Band Program (and would like to be), please see Mrs. Galvin. Band instruments include trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, flute, and percussion/bell kit.



From Our Diocesan Office

Earlier this month, principals and pastors were made aware of recent legislation against our Catholic schools. "Ohio State Budget Cuts Undermine the Financial Stability of Catholic Schools: The State Budget Bill (HB1) that was passed mid-July included unprecedented cuts for the chartered nonpublic schools (including all Catholic schools). These cuts in funding for students in chartered nonpublic schools, when added to cuts made to resources and services for those students in 2008-09, undermine the education of thousands of Ohio's young people. Furthermore, they threaten to destabilize a system of schools that provides high quality education for hundreds of thousands of citizens in this state—and has done so reliably for 150 years. Chartered nonpublic schools save taxpayers close to \$2 billion every year.

Specifically, All Saints school estimates that these cuts will amount to \$50,000 for this coming biennium. This loss of funding will mean that either the goods and/or services that are provided with these funds will need to be reduced or parents will be asked to make up the difference with increased tuition.

For the past twenty-five years, the state legislature and the past governors treated us equally with public schools' basic foundation grant. Since last fall, our programs have been cut by 17.5% while the public schools' grant was only reduced by less than one-quarter percent. Parents and stakeholders of our school are asked to take action and let our elected officials know that we are concerned about this unfair treatment. To contact your elected officials, go to www.ohio.gov.com or call the office to receive legislator letters to be mailed.

Magazine Drive

Please keep in mind that our annual Magazine Drive begins August 26. Catalogs and order forms will be distributed to students on Wednesday (August 26) and are available in the school office and church Narthex. You can either purchase NEW magazines or RENEW current subscriptions. If you would rather make a monetary donation, we would be most grateful. Any questions, please call the school office at 419-661-2070.

Sports News

Sports Physicals will be offered to any interested-student athlete on Tuesday, September 1, in the Steinbauer Community Room from 6:00-7:30 PM. The cost is \$10 per person. Physicals will be administered on a first-come first-serve basis.



Late Fall Sports Sign-Ups – It is not too late to sign up to play soccer (co-ed for Grs. 1-8), volleyball (girls in Grades 5-8) or run cross-country (co-ed for K-8) this fall. Interested persons should contact Ray Hahn (419-661-9139).

Campbell Labels

All Saints will be participating in the Campbell's Labels for Education Program for the 2009-10 school year. Please continue to clip and turn in the Campbell's UPC product codes. Last school year, we were able to generate **7205 points** for All Saints because of all of your efforts!!

The points generated can be "cashed" in for free items/supplies for our school. Thank you for your continued support!!

Entertainment Books

The All Saints Athletic Board is again selling Entertainment Books for \$30. The monies raised will be used to purchase equipment and keep the fees as reasonable as possible. Last year All Saints CYO spent over \$2,000 to repair the bleachers in the McAlear Center and over \$300 for batteries for AED Units (defibrillators) located throughout the school. The books will be sent home with students on the first day of school if not picked up at Open House on Sunday. If you cannot purchase at this time, please return your plastic sleeve with your child's name on it along with the book to the school office as soon as possible. If you are purchasing the book, please keep the book and send your checks made payable to All Saints CYO to the school office. You will find a letter from Darlynn Huntermark enclosed in the packet. For further information, please call her at 419-666-5730.

Rossford Arts Commission's Fundraising Tea



The Rossford Community Arts Commission will again bring "Taking Time For Tea" to you for their fourth year on Sunday, September 20, from 2:00-5:00 PM. This is their big event to help raise funds for community events, like their upcoming Fall Youth Art Show. The tea will be held at the Rossford Recreation Center (400 Dixie Hwy). The afternoon will include a gourmet lunch, a musical presentation, and a silent auction. This event is always sold out – so get your tickets early. Tickets are \$15 presale only. Reservation deadline for ticket sales is Monday, September 14. For further information or ticket purchase, call 419-666-2833.

Lil' Kickers Soccer

Gold Medal Indoor Sports is offering non-competitive child development program for boys and girls ages 18 months to 9 years. Kids will have a blast learning the fundamentals of soccer plus a whole lot more. Experienced instructors use creative, high energy games to build self-esteem, coordination and help kids conquer the developmental milestones they face at each age. A variety of classes are offered. Call Gold Medal for more information or to schedule your FREE trial class (419-874-9800)

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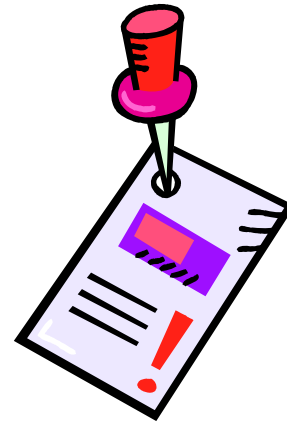
There will not be a Sally Foster Sale this school year.

Forms Due from ALL students:

- ▶ Emergency Medical Authorization
- ▶ Supply Fee (if applicable)
- ▶ Extended Day (Latchkey) Registration
- ▶ Handbook Agreement (see web on web or hard copy sent home)
- ▶ Free and Reduced Lunch Eligibility (see web or hard copy sent home)

Items Due from NEW students (only)

- ▶ All of the above – PLUS
- ▶ Probational Acceptance (K-8)
- ▶ Record Release (K-8)
- ▶ Expectations for All Those Who Minister to Youth
- ▶ Birth Certificate
- ▶ Baptismal Certificate



NOTE: The detailed master calendar listing all parish and school events will be sent home after Labor Day.

Prayer Request

Please keep in your prayers the grandmother of Zackery and Gavin Kester-Stanford. She is gravely ill. Thank you.