

All Saints Catholic School

From the Desk of Sr. Marie Christine, Principal

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Report Cards

ASCS student report cards have been sent home with the children today. You will notice there has been a change in the grading code for Art, Music, Physical Education, and Technology. We feel this coding gives you a better understanding of the specific areas being assessed. **Included in the same envelope, you will find a form with your service hours to date AND a confirmation of your conference date and times for next week.**

Welcome

Let's welcome our newest student to All Saints Catholic School—Nate Ellis (grade 7). Nate is the son of Mrs. Ellis who is an Aide in the PreSchool classroom and a brother to Kate (grade 4) and Mary (grade 1).

OCSAA Parent Survey for Accreditation

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we ask that you complete an online parent survey to assist us with the "self study" phase of the re-accreditation process. Your thoughts and opinions are valuable to us as we consider new goals for the next six years.

Please take a few minutes to answer the questions at this link <http://www.toledodiocese.org/index.php/component/rsform/?formId=114> (click [here](#)) and then add comments at the end if you wish. The surveys are anonymous and only the "raw" data will be returned to All Saints Catholic School.

The survey will be available to All Saints parents through November 11. There will also be computers available in the Tech lab on Conference Days for parents who have not yet completed it.

REMINDERS:

- Saturday — Dancing with the Saints Parish/ School Activity in McAlear Center 6-9:00
- The date for the ASCS Christmas Lessons and Carols has been changed to Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7:00 PM (Snow date Dec. 19)
- Accreditation Parent Survey available online until Nov. 11
- Daylight savings time ends on Nov. 6
- Parent-Teacher conferences begin next Wednesday
- No School next Thurs.-Fri.
- No Newsletter next Thursday

Steps to Respect: Creating a Safe Environment & Positive Learning Environment



Coming Events

November

- 5 *All Saints Parish and School Event-Dancing with the Saints 6-9 PM*
- 7 *6th grade poinsettia sale begins*
- 9-11 *Parent-Teacher Conferences*
10-11 NO SCHOOL
- 13 *Mass for Confirmandi at Rosary Cathedral followed by tour*
High School Open Houses at St. John's, St. Ursula, Central Catholic
Parish Paprikas Dinner 12:00-4:00 (unless sold out)
- 15 *First Quiz Bowl Match against St. Joseph, Sylvania*
- 18 *Aluminum can recycling*
4-7:00 PM McDonald's Night to benefit 8th grade
- 20 *High School Open Houses at Notre Dame, St. Francis, Cardinal Stritch*
- 21 *Poinsettia Sale ends*
- 22 *School Advisory Council Meeting 7:00 PM*
- 23-25 **Thanksgiving Break**
- 28 **No School — Teacher Professional Day**

Wouldn't my child tell me about being bullied?

Not necessarily. Children may not tell adults--not even their parents--about being bullied at school. Studies show that children don't tell because they believe adults won't help stop the bullying. Children may also think that they should be able to solve their own problems. Or they may not even recognize that they are being bullied. Other children are afraid. They think that telling an adult will result in worse treatment from the child doing the bullying.

Boxtops for Education

Attached to this newsletter you will find a special collection sheet for Boxtops for Education to use during the month of November. Each boxtop is worth \$.10 to ASCS. Doesn't sound like much but, when we put them all together, the total adds up! The deadline for turning these in will be Friday, December 2. Let's see which class comes out on top during November! The top class gets root beer floats; the 2nd place class gets ice cream sundaes.

High School Placement Exam Prep

All Saints Catholic School is offering High School Placement Test (HSPT) prep sessions for our 8th graders this month. Some of the Catholic High Schools are also offering some prep sessions as well. Please see the attachment.



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Dancing with the Saints

Come, celebrate All Saints on Saturday, November 5, from 6:00-9:00 PM in the McAlear Center. Live entertainment will be part of the evening and **our students from grades K-5 are preparing a special dance to share. They will be performing between 7:00-7:30 in two groups. The Brown Bag Choir will also be performing. Please plan to attend and give your child the opportunity to share his/her gift of dance or song with the community!** New Orleans Party Asylum will be performing early. There will be door prizes and kids' games, an Art-Imagination Station for kids, super specialty beverages, pulled pork sandwiches and more. There is NO CHARGE, but please bring a plate of hors d'oeuvres, salad, dessert, or snack to share. If you wish to dress as your favorite saint, you will be eligible to win a prize!

Student Council Recycle-Bowl Competition

Grade 4 won the second week of the Recycle-Bowl Competition and have the privilege of taking our recycling mascot, Francisco the Frog, from the 7th grade when they collected a total of 104 pounds of recyclables. They (and the rest of the ASCS students) have become very creative in noticing where there have been items in the school that had been thrown in the trash and not recycled. A list of things they have found to recycle includes office paper, aluminum cans, glass bottles and jars, steel food cans, cardboard and chipboard, books and magazines, newspaper and phone books, #1-7 plastic containers. During our second week of the competition, the students more than doubled recyclables collected during week 1—283 pounds! During the competition (until Nov. 11), all recyclables have to come from the school—not from home.



Market Day

The monthly flyer for Market Day purchases will be coming home today with your child. If you have never ordered through this on-going fund-raiser, you might like to consider it. There are those who order faithfully each month because they appreciate the quality and value of the foods available through Market Day. As noted on the back of the flyer, the process is simple:

1. Place your order either on paper (by 11/17) or online (by 11/21). All Saints School code is **7895**.
2. Pay by check (made out to "Market Day") or by credit card on-line.
3. Pick up your order on Tuesday, Nov. 29, between 4-5:00 PM in the school cafeteria.



Prayer Corner

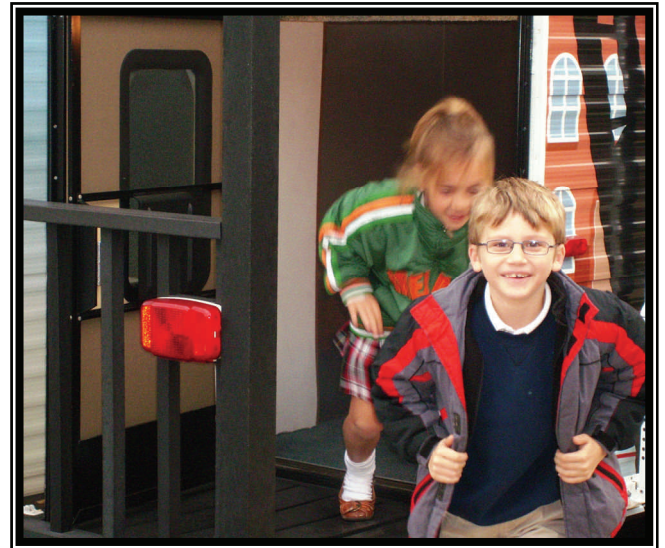
Please remember the following persons in your prayers:

Chet Bailey — father of Dawn Sujkowski, school secretary

Kathleen Walsh — mother of Liam Walsh, grade 4

Fire Safety House

All Saints students in grades kindergarten through third, had a chance to put their fire safety skills to the test in the Fire Safety House. The program is sponsored by the Toledo Hospital Safe Kids Program. The house is designed to simulate a fire and students are taught to “stay low and go” when exiting a building when smoke is present.



Second graders, Jonathan Stuck and Brigid Enright, are all smiles emerging from the Fire



Logan Terry, grade three, crawls out of a smoky situation.

(Right) Sophia Palmer, grade three, moves quickly from the Fire Safety House but remembers to stay low.



CYO Sports



Volleyball

Congratulations to the 7th grade Volleyball team who came in second place in their league and in the CYO tournament! They have a trophy to prove it!



Football

Congratulations to Patrick Yost, Jeff Hardy, Jack Eberly, Collin Yost, Kyle Mikonowicz, Jacob Stiger, Brandon Byington, Conner Byington and Nick Kern for completing their season! Thank you to Jeff Hardy and Rob Miller for coaching the teams.

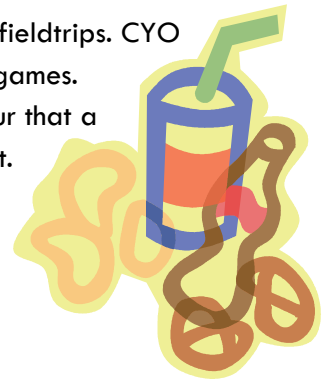


Basketball

After sign-ups for CYO teams earlier this week, teams are forming. Watch this space for a schedule of games.

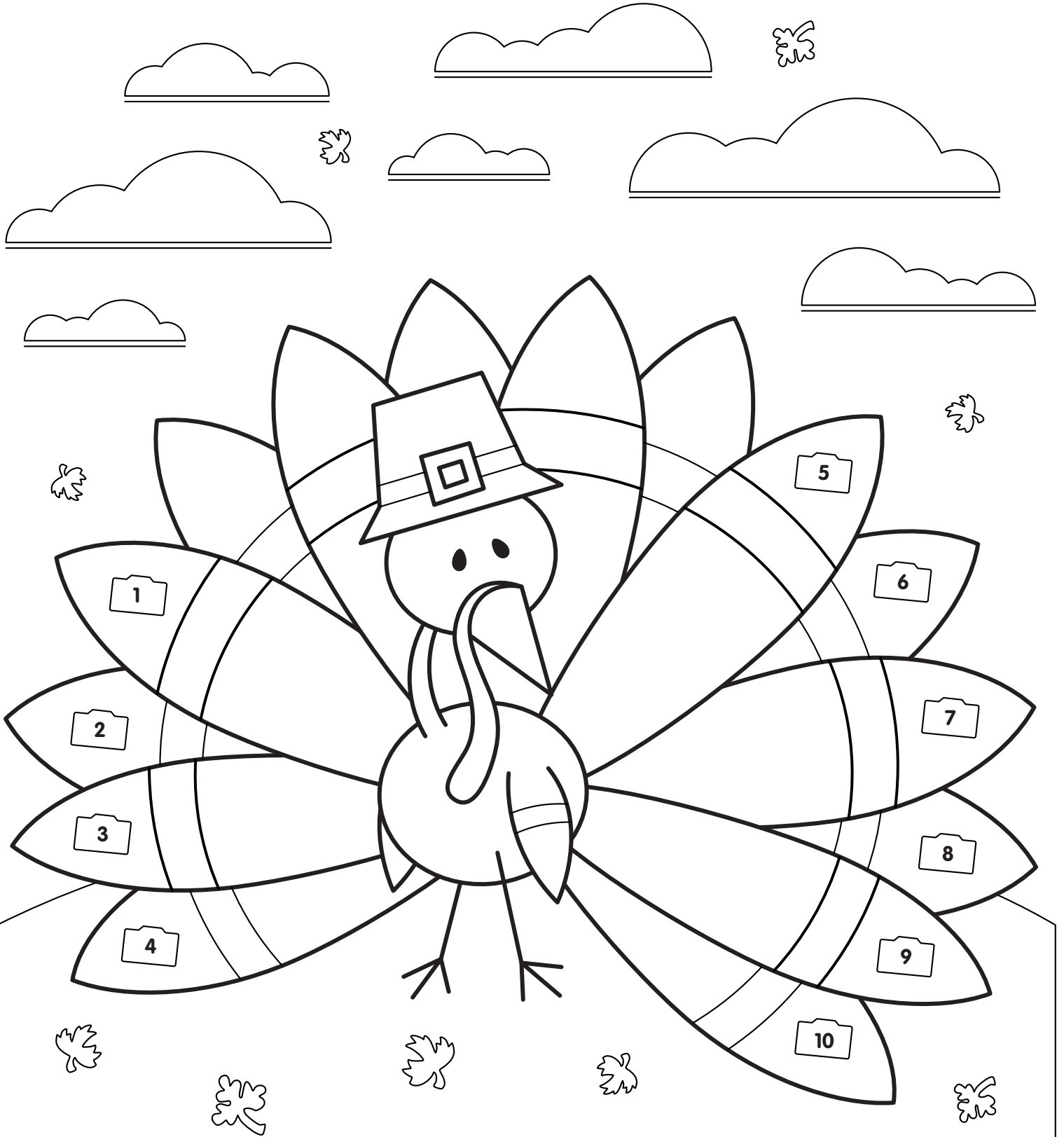
Attention: 6th, 7th and 8th grade families

Here is an opportunity to earn money to be applied toward your special end-of-the-year fieldtrips. CYO is looking for families who would be willing to work in the concession stand for basketball games. Games are typically on Saturdays and Sundays from November to February. For each hour that a family works, the money earned will be credited toward that participating family's account. (Last year families earned \$9.00/hour.) A family must include at least one parent/guardian who is responsible during the shift. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kristie Tokar @419-913-9040.





It's turkey time! Show your school how thankful you are with 10 Box Tops.



Name

Grade

Teacher's Name

Thank you for helping! Every Box Top you collect is worth 10¢ for your school.
For more collection worksheets and projects, go to www.boxtops4education.com/activitycenter

Date: 11-2-11

To: Eighth Grade Parents and Students

From: Mrs. Mikonowicz, Mrs. Trojanowski

**Re: Placement Test Prep at Local High Schools and
HSPT (High School Placement Test) Prep Activities**

Prep Sessions at High Schools

High school placement tests will take place at the Toledo area Catholic high schools Saturday, December 3, 2011 and most high schools are offering test preparation sessions. If you would like to attend, please call or email to make a reservation. Here are the locations:

St John's Jesuit HS

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011

9:30 a.m. - Noon

The cost is \$25 and students need to RSVP by November 14 (to RSVP, they can call 419.865.5743, ext. 257).

St. Francis de Sales HS

Saturday, Nov.12, 2011

8:30 – 11:00 a.m.

419.531.1618

Cardinal Stritch HS

Wednesday, November 9, 2011

7:00 – 8:30 pm

419.693.0465

Notre Dame Academy

FREE Testing Experience

for the High School Placement Test
(During Parent Info Night)

Thursday, Nov. 10, 2011, 7- 8:15 pm

MUST PRE-REGISTER by

Nov. 4 by calling 419.475.9359 ext. 3126

St. Ursula Academy

Saturday, November 19, 2011

9:00 - 10:30 AM. There is no cost to

attend. St. Ursula Academy will also be

hosting a Parent Information Session at

the same time. Tours will be offered after

the meeting. Please call Toni Kelly at

419-531-1693.

Online Test Prep

The eighth grade students will be taking the HSPT test for placement at the Catholic high schools. Links to HSPT test practice sites have been placed on the Technology Moodle page. The students know how to access this Moodle page.

Full Test Sections

The Learning Express Library link requires each student to create a username and password. After this has been created:

- Click on Middle School (Menu on left)
- Click on High School Entrance Exams Preparation
- Click on HSPT Preparation

There are four practice sessions available here – two verbal and two math. Each of these test sessions will take between 65 to 75 minutes to complete. Once complete the student may review any incorrect questions for further review. A test preparation book is also available online on this site

Smaller Practice Sites

The other four links may be used for shorter practice sessions and tips.

Open Lab Test Prep

Mrs. Trojanowski will hold open lab sessions for students to stay after school to work online performing test prep activities according to the attached schedule. It is suggested students complete at least one verbal and math sample test, review strengths and weaknesses and complete other practice based on results.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Halloween	1 Mass	2	3	4 Student Council 2:30 – 3:30	5
6	7 Gr 8 HSPT Test Prep 2:45 – 4:00	8	9 Gr 8 HSPT Test Prep 2:45 – 4:00	10 Parent Teacher Conferences No School	11 Veterans' Day	12
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20	21 Gr 8 HSPT Test Prep 2:45 – 4:00	22	23 No School	24 Thanksgiving Day	25	26
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Test Prep Books

Every year several publishers offer guides to Catholic High School Placement Tests. This year the Toledo area high schools are using the HSPT test and it is featured in most of these guides. They cost from \$15.00 to \$20.00 and feature testing styles and sample test pages. (Versions include Kaplan, Peterson, McGraw-Hill, Learning Express, Barron's, Cliff Notes, etc.)

We thought we would make you aware of these opportunities to assist your eighth grade student. Participating in these activities is optional and does not guarantee higher test scores. These activities may reduce anxiety and improve test taking confidence in your student.

