

September 13, 2007

St. Paul Parish School
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UPCOMING EVENTS

9/17

Turn in Post-card Booklets!

MMM Drawing
for Principal-for-a-Day

9/18

6:30 Curriculum Night (see attached schedule)

9/26

9:00am All School Mass

9/28

Cans & Bottles Day

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St. Paul Parish School Voyager

"A Voyage in Faith and Learning"

Notes From the Principal

Dear St. Paul Families and Friends,

When staff reported back to school in late August, they participated in a retreat called "Experiencing the Living Christ: Vessels of God's Mercy." During the retreat we were reminded that we are built empty, but contain a treasure of unimaginable worth. Each one of us is a vessel that can share God's word and light with one another. It is not only important for us as adults to remember this, but to share and teach this message with the students and families of our school.

This year, we have implemented a staff "School Climate Committee." The goal of this committee is to have a school-wide value emphasized each month. This month's value is **respect**. At last Monday Morning Muster, staff members introduced the topic through a skit and a song. Teachers have continued to work with their students in the classroom to build on the theme. Through the use of the Voyager, we will let parents know what the theme of the month is, and also share some ideas of things that you can do at home to extend your child's learning.

Additionally, a "Catholic Identity Committee" has been formed. Our goal with this committee is to boost our students understanding of the Catholic faith and enhance our Catholic identity throughout the school. One focus for the committee is to help explain, "Why do Catholics do that?" We'll share this information with parents too. Please look for more information in the Voyager throughout the year from this

committee.

The beginning of the year has been fabulous! Your children share great enthusiasm and joy with each of us. As we move through the year, may we all remember that we are vessels of God's love, and continue to pour that love and light to one another.

"The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." Romans 5:5

In Christ's Peace,

Announcements

St. Paul Parish School
Magazine Sales Drive
NOW!! September 13— 27

PUMP UP THE VOLUME!

Get Ready to Rock! Today is the official start day of our first fundraiser of the year, the Magazine Drive. Packets are being sent home today. Inside the packets is a **POSTCARD BOOKLET**. The booklet is used to inform out-of-town family and friends of our fundraiser. **The booklets need to be turned in by Monday, September 17.**

Students who turn in 6 or more completed postcards with out-of-town addresses on Monday will be entered into a drawing at Monday Morning Muster. The grand

prize drawing will be for “**Principal-for-a-Day**”! All other students who turn in 6 out-of-town names and addresses will receive a Bucky the Bear. Students with 11 out of town names & addresses receive a Twizzler, Backpack Buddy & a Strobe Light.

Win Prizes at Every Assembly! Students have a chance to win raffles prizes at every assembly starting Monday, September 25. Students receive one ticket for each magazine sold. Please see the letter attached to your packet for all the dates and times of the assemblies. In addition, for every 5 magazines sold you earn 1 Family Participation Program (FPP) hour of service fulfilled. Remember to record those magazines sold in the FPP log-book located in the front office hallway or email them to FPP@saintpaul-school.org. If you have any questions regarding the magazine drive, please call Krista Johnson at extension 328. Thanks for your support!

Phone Message



On Monday evening you will be receiving your first phone call of the year via our automated phone message system. Mrs. Braud

will be calling your family at 7:00pm to remind you of Curriculum Night on Tuesday. The message system will be used throughout the year to remind families of upcoming events and to advise of inclement weather days.

The messaging system is set up to call one number per family; we have entered the number families gave as the primary contact number. **If you do not receive the call, or if you would like the call to be sent to another number, please send a written note to Anne in the office.**

Unattended Students

Please be reminded that the gym opens for children at 8:00am, and not before. Please do not drop your children off early as there is no supervision for them. Beginning Monday, 9/17, Mr. Ahrens will be taking all children who arrive before 8:00 into his Before School Care and parents will be charged. Thank you so much for your understanding and attention to this important matter.

On the same note, we are seeing quite a number of children unattended on the grounds after dismissal in the afternoons. Remember that once children are released to you at dismissal, they need to be under a parent’s direct supervision while on campus. Thank you.

First Annual All School Yearbook

Yearbooks are **available by pre-order only** and are \$20 each. Order forms are available in the office. Every St. Paul student and staff member will be in the album so order yours today!

Yearbook meetings notice:

- Wednesday, 9/19, 3:00pm in the Computer Lab.
- Wednesday, 9/26. 3:00pm — **mandatory** meeting for all yearbook committee members for training on the computer software.

What is the St. Paul School Foundation?

The mission of the St. Paul School Foundation is to enhance the ability of St. Paul Parish School to provide a safe, nurturing Catholic Christian education for spiritual growth and academic excellence. It was founded in 1979 by a volunteer board of directors to encourage community awareness of St. Paul’s educational programs. Through the growth of our endowment, the Foundation provides scholarships to families in need of tuition assistance.

Donations to the Foundation, in addition to its two major fundraisers, the Annual Appeal and the Marian Garden, have seen tremendous success in the recent past. Thanks to donors like you and thoughtful planning, the St. Paul School Foundation endowment reports an incredible 90% growth over the past five years from \$229,000 to \$410,000. This has enabled the Foundation’s contribution for tuition assistance to the school to grow from \$10,000 in 2001 to more than \$20,000 this year. With such an increase we have enabled **20 students** to take part in this rich experience who might not otherwise be able to afford it.

Throughout the school year, members from our St. Paul community will have many opportunities to help the Foundation achieve its mission. Please watch for updates on future projects and events and how you can help. Our work would not be possible without your generous support!

Jessica Barnhart,
Development Director
344-1401 ext. 326

Fall Run & Walk

A Fall Celebration Run & Walk is being presented on Sunday morning, September 30, 2007 at 9:00 by Oregon Track Club. Featured are a Kid’s 2K Run, a 5K Walk and Run, and an 8K Run. All runners and walkers are eligible for prizes in the random drawings. Schools with 5 or more students entered in the Kid’s Fun Run can compete for a cash award of \$100 to the school with the most students entered. For more information, pick up an entry form in the office or check out www.goodrace.com.

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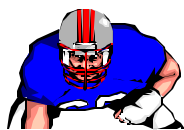
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Family Participation Program (FPP) service hours can be recorded in the FPP logbook located in the front office hallway or by email to FPP@saintpaul-school.org.

Gridiron Gala Auction NOVEMBER 17, 2007

As in years past, we need every family's help to put on the best auction yet! We have some great items and packages put together so far, but we are looking for help with a few more. Can you help with the following items?



- Air Miles
- Artwork
- Vacation Homes
- Sports Teams Tickets and Memorabilia, especially for "Big-Time" Sporting Events
- Hosting a Theme Party
- Jewelry
- Gift Certificates of All Kinds
- CASH!!!

"Huddle up," put your heads together and help us out... or come up with your own unique package! If you have any ideas you'd like to "throw out" there, please call the Kiese wetters at 338-0099 or the Bedburys at 687-1962!

Auction Meetings

Beginning next Wednesday, 9/19, we will be holding weekly auction meetings every Wednesday evening at 7:00 in the Library. All auction committee chairs and members are asked to attend the meetings to discuss and plan the festivities of the upcoming Gridiron Gala Auction.

Jog-a-Thon News

Last June after the Jog-a-thon we had a prize drawing in each class. To qualify, students had to turn in at least one pledge. At Monday Morning Muster this week we handed out the prizes to the students whose names were chosen. Each student received a drawstring backpack embroidered with St. Paul Parish School. Two students, one from Kindergarten and one from fifth grade received an embroidered Nike gym bag. If you remember, Kindergarten had 100% participation and Fifth Grade collected the most pledge money. The gym bags were donated by Nike and procured by **Terri Anderson**. The drawstring bags were embroidered and donated by **Megan O'Leary**. We wish to thank Megan and Terri for the awesome prizes. Thanks to all who made last years Jog-a-thon a success and we look forward to the next event!

Wreath Sale Technology Help Needed

We are looking for a volunteer who has **Microsoft Access** experience to help with some forms and spreadsheets on Access for the Wreath Sale. Please call Krista Johnson if you want to help.

Safeway's 10% Back to Schools Program

Just a reminder to turn in your cash register receipts between September 10 and October 6 to Krista Johnson. Our deadline to register the receipts is October 13 to receive credit.



Families registered for eScrip do not need to collect receipts.

For more information, please visit: WWW.Backtoschools.escrip.com.