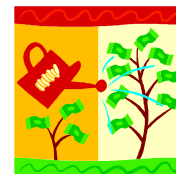




Growing in Caring & Compassion



Jan. 29, 2010

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last week I missed the name of one of the students who helped with the **UMSL Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service**. Apologies and many thanks to Peyton Bowman!

There will be **An Open House for Prospective Families** who are interested in sending their child/ren to St. Ann Catholic School on **Sun., Jan. 31** from 12-3 pm. Please tell your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers the good news about our school and invite them to attend the Open House. You can direct them to our website for more information. You should check it out for yourself, too <http://www.sacs-stl.org/openhouse>. We would love to see our enrollment grow for next year!

The **Student Council** organized a very successful **Penny War for Haiti** this week. I believe that the students have collected over \$500! The total amount raised will be in next week's newsletter. The contest was boys against girls to see who brought in the most pennies. Congratulations to the boys who won!

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated Jan. 31-Feb. 5. A schedule of activities is attached. Parents are invited to join us for all the fun!

SACPO with assistance from the **Men's Club** is organizing a **Trivia Night** on Saturday, Feb. 6. The proceeds will benefit St. Ann School and the Early Childhood Center. Cost is \$20 each with a maximum of 10 players per table. Get a group of friends together and have some fun!

The St. Ann 6th grade girls' volleyball team was named **CYC League Champions for the B division**. The members of the team are 6th graders: Nora Dooley, Jocelynn Horton, Maureen Mohan, Meagan Mohan, Isabelle Nelson; 5th graders: Elyse Bonner, Raegan Bruce, Emma Busch, and Jessica Jones. Congratulations to the team!

On Monday evening the Boy Scouts had their **Pinewood Derby**. The race winners were Liam Quinlisk in 4th place, Ryan Klohr in 3rd place, Aidan Quinlisk in 2nd place, and Brendan Klohr in 1st place. Congratulations!

A list of the **Second Quarter Honor Roll and Star Students** is being sent home today. Congratulations to the 19 students on **First Honors**, 46 students on **Second Honors**, and 42 **Star Students**! Wow!

The **2010 Summer Opportunities Fair**, a volunteer-run community service event will take place on January 30 from 10 am to 3 pm at John Burroughs School. This event allows children and their parents to explore a wide variety of options for summer activities.

Please help! We are almost out of **copy paper**. This is an easy way to earn your SACPO hours. One case of 10 reams of copy paper equals 5 SACPO hours. Please call the office if you can help us with paper.

A Parenting Tip from West County Psychological Associates: **Rules and Limits**

Examples of good limits set by parents include:

- Having limits for screen time each day – whether the screen is a TV, computer, cell phone or video game.
- Not allowing children to watch PG-13 or R rated movies or inappropriate TV shows.
- Having a bedtime and sticking to it.

- Insisting that children use appropriate language and tone of voice – not allowing children to be disrespectful to parents or to any other person, particularly adults.
- Assigning reasonable, regular chores.

LOOKING AHEAD:

Feb. 3 – Family Meal 5-6:15 pm, Family Mass at 6:30 pm

Feb. 5 - Spring Candy Sale begins

Feb. 6 – SACPO Trivia Night

Feb. 11-13 – 8th grade play, *The Big, Bad Musical*, 7:00 pm in the Parish Center

Feb. 15 – Presidents’ Day – No School

Feb. 17 – Spring Candy Sale ends

Feb. 19 - Mid-Quarter Reports sent home

Feb. 20 – SACPO Progressive Dinner

Blessings and peace,
Ms. Mary Jo Reichenbach

REMINDERS:

- Please donate your gently used toys and stuffed animals to the Parish Picnic. Items may be dropped off at the back of church or at school in the collection bin marked **Recycled Toys!**
- **All parents grades 4-8**, please mark your calendars now for a **mandatory Parent Meeting** on Wednesday, **March 10**, at 6:30 pm. The topic will be Human Sexuality and the Family Life series that we will be teaching at school and that you will use at home with your child/ren.
- **Give Kids a Smile** provides free dental care for families currently unable to afford it. They are having a clinic Feb. 5-6 at St. Louis University Center for Advanced Dental Education. To register or request more information call 636-397-6453 or visit www.GiveKidsASmile.org.

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