



ST. MONICA SCHOOL

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The Principal's Weekly Newsletter



Go Bulldogs!

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Tips for Preventing H1N1 Influenza

Much can change in a week...the flu outbreak that has dominated the news recently is now officially referred to as "H1N1 Influenza." I distributed some fliers last week to help provide health information, and today, I have another flier enclosed from the S.F. Public Health Office. The messages about how we can protect ourselves and our families are all similar. I have discussed these same points with our students at Morning Assembly this week. Please help me to continue the message when you discuss this at home:

- Frequently wash your hands. Lather hands well with soap and use hand sanitizer.
- Cover your mouth/nose when you cough and/or sneeze. Dispose of used tissue properly.
- Avoid close contact with others who are sick, and, most importantly, stay home if you are sick.

Tuition Assistance for 2009 - 2010...

St. Monica Parish and School Tuition Assistance:

Forms are available from the school office. Please inquire with Mrs. Dillon for information. As we are in unprecedented economic times, I also invite families to contact me personally if there is a need to discuss family finances in regard to student enrollment for next year. Fr. Greene wishes that our families do not choose to leave St. Monica School due to finances.

Upcoming School Community Events...

New Parent Orientation Night, May 12th

Our new parents will attend an orientation meeting next Tuesday. My thanks to our Parent Club Hospitality Committee for providing refreshments and to the various Committee chairpersons and Room Parents who will attend the meeting to help present all of the nuances of participation in St. Monica School.

Parent Club Meeting and Election, May 14th

Now that we have a proposed slate of candidates (see enclosed flier), the election is the next step. Nominations are welcome from the floor during the meeting. I encourage all parents to attend the meeting, vote, and represent your constituency (your children, of course). My thanks to Michele Duffy for acting as Parent Club Parliamentarian for this process.

Student Jog-a-thon, May 15th

Note the enclosed fliers regarding this year's annual Student Jog-a-thon. The event is sponsored by the Parent Club Sports Committee and all proceeds will benefit the St. Monica School Sports program. We are expecting 100% participation of our students in the jog.

Thank You...Thank You...

Spring Cookie Dough Fundraiser Sale

Item delivery is today, Wednesday, May 6th - all items are to be picked up in the Small Hall. I realize that economic times are tough, but I remind everyone that this is one of our two required fundraisers for the year - it is not an "extra," but plays a part in our operating budget. If you have not yet been able to fulfill your requirement, the \$100.00 "buy out" is now your option. Please forward payment to the school office ASAP, if necessary. My great thanks to JoMay Chan and Alicia Wan for collaborating to coordinate all of the orders and tally all of the bookkeeping.

Junior Achievement

Again, the Jr. Achievement program has been very well received, by parent volunteers, teachers, and students alike. My thanks to David Walker for his great care in making sure that the program was well implemented. I would also like to add a thank you to Joyce McCleary who helped present Jr. Achievement to the Kindergarten class. Her name was accidentally omitted from my thank you list last Wednesday.

Upcoming Events...

- May 6th: Cookie Dough item delivery, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the Small Hall. (today!)
- May 7th: Confirmation Rehearsal in St. Monica Church, 7:00 p.m.
- May 9th: Confirmation Mass, 5:00 p.m.
- May 11th: 12:30 p.m. Student Dismissal due to Faculty Meeting.
- May 12th: New parent Orientation Meeting, 6:30 p.m. in the Small Hall.
- May 13th: Student Mass and May Crowning, presented by the 1st grade, 11:00 a.m.
- May 14th: Parent Club meeting and elections of new officers, 7:00 p.m. in the Small Hall.
- May 15th: Student Jog-a-thon.