

St. Francis School Newsletter

October 20, 2005

Virtue of the month: FAITH

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Oct. 22nd, School Auction, See you there!
- ◆ Oct. 26th, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Oct. 27th, Picture Retakes
- ◆ Oct. 28th, Coffee with the Principal, 2nd & 3rd grades, 7:30AM-8:30AM
- ◆ Nov. 1st, Late start, 9:15AM, Mass, 9:30AM
- ◆ Nov. 2nd, 1st and 2nd Grade Level Meeting, 6:30PM-8:00PM
- ◆ Nov. 8th, Canned food for Thanksgiving food boxes
- ◆ Nov. 10th & 11th, No school

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

Distractions, distractions, distractions- I know the routine of parenting. Every once in a while I think that it is important to ask the important questions because all too often we are caught up in the 'details' of life. This goes for the school too!

Next week the first parent survey goes home. Along with the survey will be a questionnaire regarding our overall goals for your child. These ideas will be collected and will become part of our School wide learning objectives or *Student Learning Expectations*. You will be hearing more about these over the next couple of years as they are part of the accreditation process. In case you did not catch the news, we will go through the accreditation process the year after next, but the preparations have already begun.

As this letter goes out, we are undergoing the last preparations before our annual auction. The success of the effort is too important to our school not to include it in our prayers. We have already been blessed by the generosity of so many donors, and the skills and talents of our parents in putting this all together. It is truly impressive and simply would not be possible without the providential favor that seems so evident already.

Finally, a big thank you goes out to the *Student Council* for planting flowers in the Student Garden- look for a flagpole to be located in the center of the garden, in the coming weeks. It will be dedicated to our Armed Service personnel serving in Afghanistan and Iraq. (Hoping for a dedication in time for Veterans Day-November 11th TBA)

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,
Principal

Auction News**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT.**

Every student has made a tile that will be on display and for sale for \$10 the night of the auction. If you are not at the auction you may purchase the tiles in the school office after the auction.

Scrip Order Dates

The last scrip order date in October is Monday the 24th.

E-Mail

Gretchen will be putting together an e-mail list for keeping parents informed of upcoming events, schedule changes, etc. To be put on the list, send an email to gretchen@stfrancissherwood.org. If you were on the list last year please send an e-mail to make sure our address for you is accurate. Also, let Gretchen know if you would like your e-mail address included in the school directory. Again, even if it was in last year, send it again to make sure it is correct.

Correction to School Calendar

Fr. Tom has agreed to have the Mass on November 1st, All Saints Day, at 9:30 to let the students sleep in a little after Halloween. School start time will be 9:15AM. **There will be no before school care on November 1st.** Call the school office if you have any questions.

Grade Level Meetings

The Grade Level meeting for 1st and 2nd grades has been rescheduled for Nov. 2nd from 6:30PM-8:00. The Kindergarten Grade Level meeting will also be rescheduled.

Student Council

The Student Council did a great job planting the pansies in our garden. Thank you to them and their helpers and to Jennifer Micich for picking them up at the store.

Homework Club

Homework Club will now be meeting every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15-4:15. It will no longer meet on Mondays.

Uniform Exchange

Don't forget as your students out grow their uniforms we do have some here at the school.

Quiznos Lunch and Field Trip

If you have a student in K-3 and you ordered them a Quiznos lunch for October 12th, you will receive a credit to use in November.

PE NEWS

Be sure your students wear tennis shoes on Mondays and Fridays for PE. For the older students who change for PE, shorts must be of appropriate length.

School Pictures

Retake day is October 27th. You must return the picture packet you received to have retakes. This day is also for those who were absent. Call the school office if you have any questions.

School Library

Would you like to help set up the school library? Call Dede Grosso at 503-625-9397 if interested.

Car Line

If you are first in line in the afternoon and we have forgotten to take down the rope by 3:00, please feel free to do so.

Parking

Remember not to park in the first few parking spots in the center of the parking lot. These are for use by parish staff and visitors.

Newsletters, calendar and school email addresses can be found at our website - www.stfrancissherwood.org. Click on the school link.

Community News

The Sherwood YMCA is taking registrations for youth basketball. This is for children ages 3-8. Registration forms are in the school office or available at the YMCA.

CYO Basketball-If interested in the upcoming CYO basketball season at St. Anthony in Tigard call Paul Wirfs at 503-649-6821 or 503-348-7086