

# St. Francis School Newsletter

January 26, 2006

## Virtue of the month: COURAGE

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### Upcoming Events

- ◆ Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, No school
- ◆ Jan. 28, School Clean-up, 8:30AM
- ◆ Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>-Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, Catholic Schools Week
- ◆ Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, Open House, 12:00-2:30PM
- ◆ Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, Auction Meeting for Kindergarten Parents, 6:30PM
- ◆ Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, Father/Daughter Dance, 6:30PM-9:00PM
- ◆ Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, School Mass, 8:30AM
- ◆ Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, Science Fair

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

I first want to bring your attention to the upcoming events and activities that are scheduled for Catholic Schools Week beginning on Sunday. It is exciting to think that we are now planning for our third year and that new families and children will be joining us in the coming months.

I would like to thank each of the people that put in extra efforts to get us ready for Open House. I will do my best, if I miss somebody please accept my apologies. Here goes- to Jack and Gina H. with an assist from Therese J. who helped me put together our new school brochure; to Trish L. and Brenda G. with a little help from Pam D. to get the student Art work on display; Pam D. and Paul and Rosa T. for placing our school's signs around Sherwood; Bill B. for his help in setting up our new computers; Darrell K. and Mike R. for their help with our flagpole as well as all the faculty and staff that worked so hard over the past days to put on our 'Sunday Best'.

New maps came in, our flagpole is going up, the library is coming along, Science and Math materials were ordered, in-service training for our teachers, our new brochure, a wonderful ad in the Sentinel; planning activities for Catholic Schools Week; last Friday, Mrs. Baker went out on maternity leave for the remainder of the year and we welcomed in Mrs. Morley. -let's just say it has been busy around here. Hope to see you Sunday.

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,  
Principal

### Registration

We are currently accepting commitment forms from current families for the 06-07 school year. There is a \$50 nonrefundable deposit per family due with the form. This \$50 will be applied towards the \$200 nonrefundable registration fee per student which is due by March 24<sup>th</sup>. Open enrollment will begin, Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at our Open House.

The FACTS forms for tuition assistance for the 2006-2007 school year are available in the school office. You may also apply online at [www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com). **The deadline is March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2006.**

There are subsidy forms in this week's envelope for St. Francis Parish. If you need one (and I didn't put one in) or if you need an "Out-of-Parish" form, please call the school office.

### Printer Cartridges

Keep us in mind when recycling printer cartridges - we accept all kinds, large and small, ink jet and laser.

### Grade Level Meetings

The Kindergarten Grade Level meeting will be rescheduled.

### Winter Weather

We will follow the Sherwood School District for late starts and school closures.

### Classroom Parties and Birthdays

The rule is that any food to be served to students must be store bought.

### School Directory Correction

Please change the phone number for Debra Bennett to 503-925-1049.

### Student Council

All Student Council members are asked to attend the 10:30AM Mass on Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. They should be in uniform and nice shoes. They will be showing people around during our Open House.

### Scrip Orders

Scrip orders are due Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> and will be delivered Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Share Hours

Looking to earn some share hours? Come this Saturday for the school clean up. We can also use help moving tables and chairs for PE on Monday mornings (when you drop off) or Friday afternoons (at pick up).

### Catholic Schools Week Information

Catholic Schools Week starts this Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. All the students have been encouraged to attend the 10:30 Mass in their school uniform. A good turnout will earn them an extra free dress day next Friday.

Tuesday: Parents are invited to the classrooms at 11:00 and to stay for lunch with your student(s).

Wednesday: Grandparents (or special older friend) are invited to attend Mass with the students. The students will be sitting with their classes, not their Mass families. After Mass, students and their special guests will go to the Parish Hall for refreshments and then back to the classrooms to visit until after the recess break.

Thursday: Hot dogs and ice cream sundaes will be served to the students for lunch. If your students does not want a hot dog be sure to pack them a lunch.

### PSO NEWS

Hello St. Francis Parents!

We hope your holidays were joyful and the New Year finds you well. We have some exciting events planned for this month, so make sure to mark your calendars.

Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:30a-4:00p School Clean. Bring your rags, gloves and a little elbow grease and help us make our school sparkle for the Open House. Come when you can, stay for as long as you can. This is a great opportunity to earn some share hours. For those of you who want some fresh air, bring your shovels and rakes for outdoor clean up. Any questions, please call Rachel Engstrom.

Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30p-8:30p Father/Daughter Dance. Plans are underway for this special evening for dads and their daughters. If you are interested in helping, please contact Karen Carrera or CeCe Peters.

Finally, a great big thank-you goes to Diana Law for organizing the Mother/Son Bowling night last Friday. Everyone had a really great time. Thanks Diana!

Rachel Engstrom  
PSO President

**Bagel Lunches:** The bagel lunches on Mondays will be discontinued after January 30<sup>th</sup> due to lack of interest.

**Jump Rope for Heart:** Please return the “In memory of” and “In honor of” hearts to the school. They will be in the school atrium. In order for the students to participate in Jump Rope for Heart, they need the signed Heart Association permission slip turned in. The Jump Rope for Heart will be Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30.

There is information enclosed about online fundraising for Jump Rope for Heart. **You do not need to collect money to participate.**

### Community News

Registration forms for the Sherwood Junior Baseball Organization are available in the school office. This is for children ages 5-16. The registration deadline is February 20<sup>th</sup>. Tryouts begin in March. You may also register online at [www.sherwoodjuniorbaseball.com](http://www.sherwoodjuniorbaseball.com).

### **Indoor Soccer**

This year, Sherwood youth again have the opportunity to play indoor soccer with the Sherwood Youth Soccer Club. But for the first time, home games for 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders in the program will be played in Sherwood's Fieldhouse facility. Away games for these ages will be played in school gyms in Tigard and Tualatin. Games for Kindergarten - 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be played in school gyms. Registration remains open through February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006. Registration can be made on-line at [www.sherwoodsoccer.org](http://www.sherwoodsoccer.org), or through the mail. Mail in forms can be obtained at the Sherwood library, at school offices or the Fieldhouse.

Indoor soccer operates March through May and serves grades K-8. Two games are played each week: boys play Tuesdays and Thursdays; girls play Mondays and Wednesdays. For further information visit the website at

Internet: [sherwoodsoccer.org](http://sherwoodsoccer.org),

Email: [Indoor@sherwoodsoccer.org](mailto:Indoor@sherwoodsoccer.org)

Message phone: 503-672-9264, ext 499.

SYSC Indoor Soccer operates separately from the Fieldhouse soccer leagues, but works in cooperation with the Fieldhouse and the City of Sherwood to offer our community a variety of soccer programs.