

St. Francis School Newsletter

February 1, 2007

Virtue of the month: KINDNESS

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Upcoming Events

- ◆ Feb. 2nd, Student Appreciation Day, Free Dress
- ◆ Feb. 5th, Scrip Order Due
- ◆ Feb. 7th, 8:30AM, School Mass
- ◆ Feb. 9th, No School
- ◆ Feb. 12th, 11:45-12:15, Jump Rope for Heart
- ◆ Feb. 14th, 8:30AM, School Mass
- ◆ Feb. 16th, Scrip Order Due
- ◆ Feb. 16th, Father/Daughter Dance
- ◆ Feb. 19th, No School, President's Day
- ◆ Feb. 21st, Ash Wednesday, School Mass at 8:30
- ◆ Feb. 23rd, 2:15PM, Jump Rope Assembly

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Families,

I hope you are enjoying our celebration of our Catholic School. From my perspective, some of the highlights of what we are celebrating are:

Having Jesus as our central source of all we do

Celebrating School Mass every week

Praying before, during and at the conclusion of every school day

The Home/Church/School connection

The quality of our priests, teachers and staff

The excellence in our curriculum and instruction

Parental involvement

The St. Francis Students

The support and prayers of the greater community for our school

Belonging to our School Community in a common purpose

Witnessing God's Love for each other

Well, these are some of the highlights and each one of them is worth celebrating! You made the right choice when you choose St. Francis Catholic School! We remain committed to continue our growth in these and all other areas. With God's Grace and guidance, we will do so.

Sincerely,

Michael Cantu,
Principal

PSO News

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....Mark your calendars for the first 2007 Friar Trot general meeting, to be held on Monday, February 5th at 5:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in participating in the planning stages of this event is welcome to join! It's a great way to earn those needed share hours!! In the meantime, if you have questions please contact Shellie Lazo. We look forward to seeing you there...

Are you interested in making positive things happen at St. Francis? If so, consider a position on the PSO Executive Committee! There are several positions that will be opening up late this spring: Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary (currently we have two Secretaries). The PSO is responsible for the school's community building and fundraising efforts (excluding the auction). Anyone who is interested should contact Sherri Peden or Shellie Lazo.

Lastly, don't forget to mark you calendars for the Father-Daughter Dance on February 16th. More information will follow. If you would like to help with this event, contact co-chairs Lisa Speer or Wendy Kiel.

Remember.... your **P**arent **S**ervice **O**rganization executive committee is:

Sherri Peden - President

Shellie Lazo - Vice-President

Ralph Mooers - Treasurer

Karen Carrera - Secretary

Valerie Dalebroux - Secretary

Registration News: Registration continues for current families and new families. Remember your registration fee must be paid in full by Spring Break unless you have made prior arrangements with Mr. Cantu. Tuition assistance information is available in the school office. See the enclosed timeline for applying for assistance.

Pictures Needed

Do you have pictures of classroom activities? The yearbook committee could use some pictures for the yearbook. Mark them with your name and send a duplicate in case they don't get returned.

Jump Rope for Heart is February 12th. This is a school wide fundraiser for the American Heart Association, all students are encouraged to participate. Our goal this year is to raise \$1,500.00 You must have a signed permission form and all fund raising turned in by the 12th. While this is a great cause you do not have to raise funds to jump, but you do need the signed permission form.

Parents, please join us in teaching the students healthy eating habits. Snacks should be nutritious. Also, talk to your children about their lunches. Quite a bit of food is being thrown away and wasted.

Introduction to Irish Dance will begin Monday, February 5th. There are still a few spots available.



Remember to watch for children and adults who may be walking along the driveway and in the parking lot.

Thank you to everyone for bringing in box tops. We received a check for \$173.10.



Other News

LaSalle High School Cheerleading Clinic: Saturday, February 3rd, 10:00AM to 2:00PM for girls ages 5 years to 8th grade. Price is \$40 per participant which includes instruction, t-shirt for a game performance on February 13th and a set of pom poms. Money is due by February 1st to ensure a t-shirt and poms. For forms and more information contact Cindy VanDrimmelen @ either cinder_bug@yahoo.com (title your e-mail Kids' Clinic) or call 503-652-5923.

CYO Basketball Night at St. Mary's Academy: February 2nd, 6:45PM. Free admission for all CYO players in uniform and their coaches. RSVP to julies@stmaryspdx.org or 503-721-7725

1st Annual QB Skills Development: Who - any quarterback entering the 5th through 9th grade in the fall of 2007. Bring a ball and shoes for indoor and outdoor activity. Location - Central Catholic High School (enter through gate on 26th & Stark). Dates - Feb 11 & 18, March 4, 11 & 18, April 1, 15, 22 & 29. Time - 2:00-4:00, please arrive 15 minutes prior to start time. Cost - FREE
Contact Coach Steve Pyne to hold your spot, 503-235-3138 ext. 146 or spyne@centralcatholichigh.org

Sherwood School District needs Bus Drivers –

Qualifications: Excellent driving record, no criminal record, able to read written directions and genuinely like kids.

Training provided: New Drivers start driving District Vans and Small Buses and advance to Larger Buses as their skills develop.

Pay scale ranges from \$11.63 to \$15.00 per hour.

Call John Turchi, Director of Transportation, 503-625-8107 or Human Resources Department, Sherwood School District, 503-625-8135.