



St. Andrew's School

"Sing a New Song to the Lord!"

February 22nd 2010

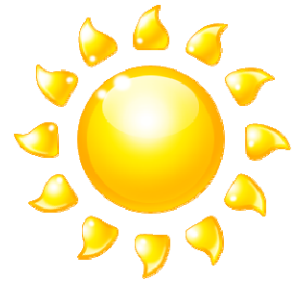
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"When you pass through the water, I will be with you....Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you." Isaiah 43:2,4

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at conferences last week! Thank you to our Home and School Association for a very delicious dinner on Tuesday evening!

Please remember that starting tomorrow and for the rest of the school year, we will begin classes at 7:35 am. I appreciate your consideration and understanding of this arrangement to fulfill our state requirements as I explained last week.

The Parent Meeting that was scheduled for Wednesday February 24th has been rescheduled for **MONDAY MARCH 1st at 7:00 pm.** The meeting will be held in the St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish Center (basement of the church).

Ash Wednesday, as we began the journey of Lent, Fr. Tom reminded the children to consider giving up something until Easter – something that would be a "sacrifice". Many of our children already have thought of things: toys, electronic games, television, and candy to name a few. Here at school we are remembering that prayers are an important part of Lent as we say a decade of the rosary each day so that a complete rosary is said each week. We are also collecting spare change to put in our Rice Bowls for the poor – this collection will end Holy Week. This is an annual project with proceeds going to the Catholic Relief Charities.

We wish Olivia Kaiserlian and Savannah DeNamur our prayers and good luck as they participate in the Regional Spelling Bee which is Tuesday, February 23rd at Crestwood Middle School in Kentwood.

Congratulations and "Way to Go!" to our winners of the America and Me Essay Contest: First Place –

Eveli Valdez, second place – Jalen Pompura, and third place – Nohemi Toledo. We are very proud of all of you!

A note from Sacred Heart School:
German classes for children will be offered at Sacred Heart School on Thursday evenings, 6:30-7:30. The classes are designed for 4-6 grade with selected stories from Grimm's fairy tales, traditional prayers, grammar, culture and geography. Parents and other ages are welcome. There is no charge for the class. If anyone is interested, they can contact Brian Meier at 735-1153 or via e-mail: bntmeier@sbcglobal.net.

Did you remember to send in your PSAS Application? They must be postmarked by MARCH 1! Do we have your registration packet yet?

Have a blessed week! Spring is just around the corner!

Love,
Mrs. Koepnick

From the HMBF Office – Shannon Sheridan (Adm. Assistant) 451-8463, ext. 205 or by e-mail at ssheridan@hmbfoundation.org

TEXAS Hold'Em – We are in need of volunteers for Monday, March 1st & Tuesday March 2nd. Please call Carol in the office ASAP to volunteer.

Calendar February

DUE ASAP PSAS FORM

- 21-27 Family Fare Cash for Class – code 55204
- 23 Crestwood Middle School in Kentwood
- 24 **DUE:** Last turn in for BoxTops for the year
- 28 Texas Hold'Em

March

- 1 **(Change Parent)** Meeting @ 7:00
- 1-2 Texas Hold'Em
- 8-19 Used Book Sale

- 12 5th – 8th Grade Ski Trip
- 16 4th Grade Songfest, 7:00 @ Delta Plex
- 17 Friends & Family Skate Night – FREE, Kentwood FunSpot 6:00-8:00
- 19 **Dismissal @ 11:00** – Staff Development End of 3rd Marking Period
- 30 Bandastic Celebration, 7:00 @ CC

April

- 1-11 Spring Break
- 12 School Resumes
- 24 Auction

BoxTops – This is the last push for boxtops...please have your child turn in their boxtops to their homeroom teacher by **Wed., February 24th**.

PSAS Forms – If you need help filling this form out please contact Carol in the office to make an appointment.

Book Fair - We will hold a St. Andrew's Used Book Sale March 8 - March 19 and are in need of gently used adult and children's books. Please place them in the bin inside the office door. Volunteers will sort and price them. Simply drop them off. If you would like to volunteer please contact Jennifer Andrew @ 361-5824.

Annual Earth Day Recycle Challenge -

The 2010 Earth Day Recycle Challenge recyclable item this year is CD & DVD discs! These discs are made from many different materials, each of which has its own separate life cycle involving energy use and waste. The materials include: aluminum, polycarbonate, lacquer, gold, dyes, and other materials like water, glass, silver and nickel. The discs that you collect for recycling will be shredded and the polycarbonate plastic and metals will be separated for recycling into new products. The challenge runs until March 26th. Please have your student turn their items in to their homeroom teacher.

Athletics – Spring sign-ups will conclude Friday, February 26th. Parents...players must be able to commit to participating in all practices and all games/meets. This is a season long commitment not only for the player, but for the parent as well. Players must have a current physical on file and have paid there \$20 sports fee before the first practice. The following sports are offered to students during this time: 5-8 co-ed track, 5/6 & 7/8 boys' baseball, 5/6 & 7/8 girls' softball and 5/6 & 7/8 girls' soccer.

Raffle Update – Thank you for participating with this fundraiser. Our net from this event was \$2,410. Congratulations to the following winners: Grand Prize, Linda Washington, 2nd Place, Mayra Murta and 3rd Place Amy Spaniob

Cathedral of St. Andrew Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday	7:00 AM and Noon	English
Saturdays	4:30 p.m.	English
Sundays	10 am, 6 pm, 7:30 pm Noon	English Spanish

Ways to Help St. Andrew's School

- **Campbell's Soup Labels** – UPC label needed from product: www.labelsforeducation.com
- **General Mills Boxtops for Education** – (Code #165438): www.boxtops4education.com.
- **Target Credit Card** - School code is 8263.
- **Meijer Community Rewards** - Code is 583134.

Family Fare Cash for Class — Shop at Family Fare the week of February 21st-27th and give the cashier our school code of #55204 and the school will receive 2% back of your total bill. Pass on to family and friends. This is an easy way for all families to help the school.

JAVA (coffee) with Mrs. Koepnick and Fr. Tom – Please join Mrs. Koepnick, Fr. Tom and fellow parents for coffee on the first floor on the first day of every week.

Recycling at School

- **Pop can tabs** ... Gr. 3
- **Paper items**... Paper Gator (location between St. Andrew's & Catholic Central)
- **Batteries** ... 1st Floor Hall



Special Intentions

Please remember these intentions in your prayers ...

- ❖ Special school intention.