

Family Newsletter



Highlights

From the Principal's Desk

Friday, October 26th we had our second family evening event. Over 100 students painted pumpkins, designed t-shirts, decorated cupcakes and had their faces painted. While our PreK-3 to 5th grades were busy with Halloween activities our 6th, 7th and 8th graders were in the gym dancing the night away.

Mrs. Cathy Juliano and her committee organized a highly successful Fall Fest. It's wonderful to witness the parental and staff participation at our evening events. Thank you to all our families for their generous contributions. It was a great evening.

As the weather has finally turned cooler, it's hard to realize that Thanksgiving is quickly approaching.

At this time of year all of us need to reflect upon all the amazing gifts God has bestowed upon us. We should always remember in our prayers those less fortunate and ask God to protect our troops and their families. Family is one of our greatest gifts of all. Cherish all your blessings.

The Pastors and staff of Notre Dame Interparochial School wish all of you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving.



MIDDLE STATES

During this school year Notre Dame Interparochial School will be preparing for recertification for Middle States Accreditation.

The Middle States Committee will be visiting us next fall. As part of our self-evaluation study we must submit information from a parent survey. On conference day December 7th you will be given a confidential survey to complete. Please complete this survey before you leave school that day.



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NOTRE DAME LOGO

Since the Notre Dame logo is very similar to the University logo, it was suggested that we design a new logo unique to Notre Dame Interparochial School. The new logo will appear on all future clothing, programs, etc. You can see the new logo on upper right corner.

9th ANNUAL SCHOLASTIC OLYMPICS

On Thursday, October 25, 2007, St. Joseph's Regional High School sponsored its Ninth Annual Scholastic Olympics; eighth grade students competed in the following areas: Michelle Kim (Art); Brendan Turfan and Jamila DePena (English); Courtney Kofoed (Spelling); Kevin Lee and Hee Jung (Math); Andres Hermida and Jennifer Birchwale (Social Studies); Amani Adams and Cristina Fernandez (Science); Daniel DeMuro and Patricia Molina (Religion); Ashley Park (Computer). This year we had a First Place winner in Social Studies, Jennifer Birchwale and a Second Place winner in Spelling, Courtney Kofoed. Congratulations to all the eighth graders, which attended. We are very proud of you all.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulations! The following students were Student of the Month for **October**.

The category was: FRIENDSHIP/COMPASSION

Grade 8	Kevin Lee	Grade 4	Jonathan Alegria	Kindergarten	Vincent Juliano
Grade 7	Lindsey Spohn	Grade 3	Ashley Lee	PreK-4	Aidin Deljanin
Grade 6	Nathaniel Alegria	Grade 2	Emmanuel Blas	PreK-3	Mansoor Poonawala
Grade 5	Preeksha Lal	Grade 1	Eunice Baek		

The November category is: SELF DISCIPLINE.

School News

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Our next event will be Family Bingo. Mrs. Loukas has volunteered to chair this event. If you signed up to help she will be calling you soon.

COINS FOR KIDS (JEANS DAY)

On October 12th we had an out of uniform day for charity. We collected \$447.00 in coins and bills for Tomorrows Children (the children's Cancer Unit) at Hackensack Hospital. Thank you to our wonderful students for their generosity to other children their age.

LUNCH

If your child buys lunch you must put their name on each individual lunch slip in order to avoid confusion. Also, we suggest you mark the days they are buying lunch

on your home calendar. There seems to be confusion on days students do not order lunch. Some students do not bring lunch to school on these days. This is occurring most often in the lower grades.

UNIFORMS

On Gym day students may wear sweats with their blue t-shirt underneath. If we attend Mass on a gym day students may wear their sweats.

ST. THERESA

When we had our school mass on October 1st for the Feast of St. Theresa. I requested that we borrow the Statue of St. Theresa from St. Matthew's rectory for the Mass. I discovered that last year Ann Marie Martucci, Grade 4's Mother, Dr. Martucci, her sister and a colleague of Dr. Martucci donated this beautiful statue of St. Theresa to Notre Dame Interparochial

School. For the past year it was housed at St. Matthew's Rectory. Now this beautiful statue will adore our vestibule at Notre Dame for all our students. A sincere thank you to the Martucci Family.

MASS

Students will be attending Mass on November 1st for All Saints Day and November 21st for Thanksgiving. Both masses are at 10:00 am and all are invited to attend. Our sixth grade students will prepare the liturgy for the Mass on November 1st and our fifth grade will be responsible for the Thanksgiving Mass liturgy.

SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Once again, Mr. & Mrs. Legg have agreed to chair Santa's Workshop. Santa's Workshop is November 14th. Students have the opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts for their families. There are a few gifts for under \$5.00 most range from \$5.00 to \$15.00. Parents are welcome to come to Santa's Workshop with their child's class.

WRAPPING PAPER SALE AND BOOK FAIR

The Notre Dame families were extremely generous for these two fundraisers. Collectively the total sales for these two events was \$12,600.00 netting the Home School Association a profit of \$5,600.00. The Home School Association will be using these funds to sponsor, Fall Fest, Family Bingo, and funding towards class trips. Both of these fundraisers were a huge undertaking.

A sincere thank you to our Wrapping Paper Committee: Mrs. Myrna Marrero, Chairperson, Mrs. Carolyn DeMuro, and Mrs. Amada Fernandez. Wrapping paper should arrive at school the week of November 12th. Details will be forthcoming. Also, thank you to the Book Fair Committee: Mrs. Pam Sotomayor, Chairperson, Mrs. Lillian Yu, Mrs. Kim DeVoto, Mrs. Patti Vivanco, Mrs. Jennifer Chiurazzi, Mrs. Diane Mollica, Mrs. Carolyn DeMuro, Mrs. Jenny Koroglyuan, and Mrs. Karla Campos.

At the Book Fair each child had the opportunity to guess the correct number of cotton balls in a jar. The winner for each class received a \$10.00 voucher to the Book Fair. Congratulations to: Andres Hermida (Grade 8), Eunice Lee (Grade 7), Kaitlin Matos (Grade 6), William Clancy (Grade 5), Helen Park (Grade 4), Alexander Cho (Grade 3), Alexander Birchwale (Grade 2), Kaity (Sohee) Kim (Grade 1), Nicholas Mollica (Kindergarten), Lily Dutta (PreK-4), Julian Kim (PreK-3). In addition, three teachers received a \$15.00 voucher to the Book Fair. Congratulations to: Mr. Dennis Barlow, Ms. Doris Ilaria, and Ms. Viviane Abreu. The correct number of cotton balls was 33.

IMPORTANT DATES

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1
ALL SAINTS' DAY
SCHOOL MASS 10:00 AM

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 2
FACULTY MEETING
EARLY DISMISSAL 12:15 PM

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 4
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS
CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 6
ELECTION DAY

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 9
CO-OP TEST - GRADE 8

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 11
VETERAN'S DAY

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 16
FAMILY BINGO NIGHT
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
PREK-3 & 4 - PROJECT AFRICA

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 19
NOTRE DAME SCHOOL ADVISORY
BOARD MEETING - 7:00 PM
PREK-3 & 4 - THANKSGIVING FEAST
WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 21

SCHOOL MASS 10:00 AM
EARLY DISMISSAL - 12:15 PM
NO AFTER CARE

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 22
THANKSGIVING RECESS

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 23
NO SCHOOL

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 29
8TH GRADE YEARBOOK CAKE SALE

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 30
CRAZY HAIR DAY



Happy
Thanksgiving