

St. Pius X School



Weekly Update

September 30, 2011

This Week at Saint Pius X School

Mon. Oct. 3 and Tues. Oct. 4... No School for Students

Thursday, October 6...	Storyteller Frank McGarvey visits Grade 5 Columbus Public Health Student Flu Shot Clinic
Friday, October 7...	"Panther Pen" Newsletter posted
Saturday, October 8...	Protecting God's Children Workshop at Seton Parish

Coming Soon...

Tuesday, October 11...	8:30AM Mass, prepared by Grade 3
Friday, October 14...	3 rd Grade Grandparents Day 2 nd Grade visits the Columbus Zoo SCAAP Day for October
Week of October 17...	Terra Nova Testing, Grades 2-8
Week of October 24...	Red Ribbon (Drug Free) Week
Friday, October 28...	Halloween Parade, Classroom Parties
Monday, October 31...	No School for Students, Teacher Inservice

Next Monday and Tuesday, our teachers along with Catholic Educators from across Ohio will gather in Downtown Columbus for the biennial Ohio Catholic Educators Association Convention. We will participate in a variety of workshops tailored to each teacher's content area, skill set, interest our schoolwide goals and/or each teacher's Individual Professional Development Plan. The keynote speaker for this year's convention will be Sister Anne Bryan Smollin, CSJ who will speak on "Finding the Joy in Each Moment." Bishop Campbell will also speak to all teachers from the Diocese of Columbus on the implementation of the New Roman Missal.

As you enjoy the days off with your children, please keep our teachers in your thoughts and prayers as they participate in the OCEA Convention. We are so very blessed with dedicated teachers who work so hard for the good of our students! Enjoy the long weekend!

Interims



Interims are being sent home today as we have reached the midpoint of the 1st grading period. Please contact your child(ren)'s teacher with any questions or concerns. The first grading period closes on Friday, October 28.

Parent Teacher Conferences



Parent Teacher Conference forms are being sent home today as well. Conferences will be held on Thursday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 15, both evenings from 4:00-7:30PM. Please promptly return the forms to schedule a conference. You will receive a phone call to confirm your scheduled time.

Dismissal Update



Thank you to the many parents who called or emailed their thoughts or suggestions regarding our afternoon dismissal procedures! As a faculty, we also discussed dismissal at our recent staff meeting on Wednesday. As I mentioned in my letter earlier this week, the safety of our students is our primary concern and any adjustments will be made with that in mind. Please feel free to let me know if you have any thoughts or suggestions at jcuni-ak@cdeeducation.org. Thanks!

Protecting God's Children



Seton Parish will host a Protecting God's Children Workshop on Saturday, October 8 at 9:00AM. Visit www.virtus.org to register for this session. Please note, all school staff and volunteers in any capacity must have verified attendance at a Protecting God's Children workshop.

SCAAP Day



Friday, October 14 is our first SCAAP day of the school year. SCAAP, Student Council Academic Appreciation Program, rewards students who have met requirements set forth by their teacher for being model students with a dress down day.

Giant Eagle Apple for Students Program



The Giant Eagle Apples for Students program begins Oct. 1, 2011. Each purchase at Giant Eagle, Giant Eagle Express and Get Go earns points when you scan an Advantage Card at checkout. Schools earn a percentage of points available based on the amount of Advantage Card purchases made by families enrolled in Apples for the Students. It's that easy! Just think how much those fuel purchases can help our school. And, you get the added bonus of using your Scrip Card to pay for food & gas purchases! Giant Eagle is donating \$1.1 million in educational equipment to area schools through Apples for the Students in 2011-2012. Please register your Advantage card by going to www.gianteagle.com/schools/apples-for-students or calling 1-800-474-4777. You will need your card number & our school code, 4884. Last year our points earned our school several walkie talkies, some butterfly equipment for the kindergarten classrooms, math manipulative kits and many other classroom items.