



Tuesday Thoughts

Ascension School

Oct. 5, 2010

Phone: 451-2535

"Failure happens only when students stop trying to solve problems."
-from Teach Like Your Hair's on Fire by Rafe Esquith

Dear Parents,

When we allow students to learn from their mistakes instead of correcting mistakes for them, we allow them the opportunity to discover what did not work and to make adjustments and find solutions. On Monday morning, we were blessed to have the National Our Lady of Fatima statue at our church. Students in grades 2-8 were able to see the statue and listen to the account of the miracle at Fatima. Since Our Lady of Fatima is the patron saint of the United States and this statue travels throughout our country, we appreciate the chance to share this lovely representation of Mary with the students. It may be quite some time before we have an opportunity to see this again.

Each year in the fall we send home parent surveys to see our progress in communication with you, instruction, technology, etc. These are coming home in a packet with the directory, conference forms, and PowerSchool access information for those who did not make it to the parent meetings so please ask your children about this packet if it does not reach you by Tuesday afternoon! We always appreciate your feedback and have adapted things we do because of the feedback you provide through these surveys. These may be returned to school at any time. We do ask that the surveys be returned no later than October 20 when you come to conferences. Thanks so much for your help.

Check the conference forms carefully and return those to school by October 8. For those of you who are new to Ascension, it is important to note that students must have the conference forms here on October 8 so we can conduct Operation Schedule. Students visit the teachers you want to see to schedule back to back times on October 20. Please call the school office if you have questions about this.

In addition to the Ascension surveys, the Archdiocese will be sending electronic surveys to all families with children in Catholic Schools. These are time sensitive and must be completed by October 22. The Archdiocese is going through the accreditation process and would like your feedback on ways to improve support for Catholic schools.

Danish visitors—On the morning of October 18, we will have 11 Danish educators visiting us in the school. If you are able to serve as a host family for the evening of October 17, would you contact Isaac Larison at 502-777-6828? He will be providing dinner for them on October 17th but they need some places for them to sleep for the night.

PowerSchool Update—Parents are now able to access PowerSchool and access numbers are coming home in the packets. Please let us know if you continue to have trouble so we can stay on top of things. We want to make sure this access is working well and will then tackle the email messages to you when grades are updated. This is not functional yet. **Please note:** There are occasional power outages or surges in the neighborhood that may affect your ability to access PowerSchool. Though we have battery backups on the servers, we sometimes experience a temporary loss of access within our building. If you have trouble getting into PowerSchool, please try again in a few hours in case the problem is stemming from our servers.

If you lose access for more than two days, then let us know so we can try to get you reconnected.

We will be donating blankets students made during the retreat to Operation Blanket Louisville in mid November. If you have clean, slightly used blankets you would like to donate, we would be happy to include those in the pick up on November 18. You may bring them to the school office.

Next week: Parent Meeting about Safety on the Internet!

On October 12, federal prosecutor, Jo Lawless, Coordinator for Project Safe Childhood, will speak with parents about safety on the Internet. Last spring Det. Dan Jackman spoke with Jr. High students but is unable to join us for this session. This session is for parents only and will have information for parents of students in all grade levels. Students whose parents attend will receive out of uniform passes for their children and the class with the highest percentage of attendance will receive a week out of uniform.

Ascension will be going through the accreditation review on November 10-11. This occurs every five years and gives us a chance to review what we are doing and look at ways to improve; this is part of the certification process for state accreditation for non-public schools. This is not the same as the Blue Ribbon process. We are still awaiting word on where we stand on this.

God bless your week!

Mary Jo Ellis

Principal



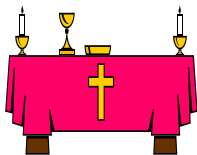
Please note the following upcoming dates:

- Oct 12 6:30 PM—Parent meeting in church with Federal Prosecutor, Jo Lawless, on Internet safety
- Oct 20 No School in the morning
1:30-8:00 Conferences—Parent surveys are due back.
- Oct 21 & 22 No School
- Oct 26 8:00 AM-7:30 PM—Open House for prospective parents.
- Oct 27 5:30 PM-7:30 PM—Open House for prospective parents.
7:00 PM—*Spooktacular* Music Program in the gym by Jr. K, K and 1

October Conversations:

The new season of *Conversations*, which features an ongoing conversation with Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz, began airing this fall. In October, Archbishop Kurtz and host Reed Yadon discuss Respect Life Month and why Catholics believe what they do about saints.

The show is available through a variety of platforms, including the Faith Channel (digital channels 19, 96.9, or 279), streaming video and audio podcasts on www.archlou.org, and WLCR 1040 AM Radio. Viewers have the opportunity to send comments and questions that may be incorporated into the conversation by e-mailing conversations@archlou.org. *Conversations* airs on the Faith Channel on Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Wednesdays at 10 a.m., Fridays at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at 4 p.m.



Altar Servers:

Saturday, Oct.. 9—5:30

Andrew Marquess, Teresa Milliner, Catherine Young

Sunday, Oct. 10—8:30

Jeremy Bissinger, Nick Yates

Sunday, Oct.. 10—10:30

Chris Gumm, Grant Wessling, Michael Wheatley

FOR ANY COACHES OR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS, as required by the Archdiocese & CSAA Offices, if you have regular contact with students or athletes you **must attend one** of these workshops. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOPS**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	Street	Room
11/03/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Aloysius	122 Mt. Mercy Drive	Fr. Dickman Center
11/11/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Lawrence	1925 Lewiston Dr	Community Rm.
11/18/10	6:30 P.M.	St. Raphael	2131 Lancashire Ave.	Café.

PARENTS: The Safe Environment Workshop, school volunteer form and background check needs to be filled out to be able to help with classroom activities. These are requests from the Archdiocese and our school policy if you are going to have direct contact with the students such as **being present in the classroom for a party, to supervise a classroom for the teacher appreciation luncheon in May or to chaperone a field trip.** This is NOT necessary to just drop off treats in the office or to work on projects at home.

PARENTS CORNER

P/T/S Conference forms, parent surveys and school directories were sent home Monday in a large white envelope. Conference forms are due back by Oct. 8th and parent surveys are due back by Oct. 20th



EDUCATIONAL OUTFITTERS HAS CLOSED ITS DOORS

School uniforms with monograms may be purchased at Coffman's located in the Piccadilly Plaza at Hurstbourne Ln. and Bardstown Rd. behind Ryan's Steakhouse. Coffman's has some items in stock with the original logo which students may wear. The new logo will be ready in 2-3 weeks. You may call 491-7714 to place an order or you can visit the store.



8th Grade Parents: Reminder that the \$100 deposit for the Chicago trip is due by October 15.



CALL FOR PROPS:

The music theater department has need for the following props. Please contact Mrs. Gibson for more information:

Long white robes (angel attire)

White cotton balls, cat ears, cat tails, white feather boas, small tuxedo shirt size 12

Large cat costumes (middle school student size) black suit - middle school size

To borrow: large blow up lawn jack-o-lantern or other large Halloween prop

To borrow: fog machine, strobe light, disco light, other flashing or strobing or rotating light



4H Sewing Announcement

September is National Sewing Month. Time to start 4H Sewing classes at Ascension School in the Ascension Sewing Stars 4H Club. All students ages 9 - 19 are welcome! Fall classes will meet on Wednesday evenings again this year from 6:00 - 8:00 PM in the Science Room at Ascension School. We will meet weekly from Oct 6th through and including Nov 17. Classes are free. Students will need to bring a working sewing machine with scissors, pins and thread. For detailed information please contact Allysan Comstock via email at acomstock@aol.com or by calling 451-2535 in the school office.



BASKETBALL SIGN-UPS:

October 11th and 12th —6:30-7:00 P.M. in gathering space. If you have any questions , boys contact Mr. Shunnarah @ 403-7143, girls should contact Mr. Maddox @ 459-9285.

MEN'S BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Sign ups for the Men's Basketball League will be held at the A.Men Club meeting, Thursday, October 14 beginning at 7:30. You must be a registered member of the parish and at least 32 years old as of Feb 1, 2011. Fee is \$50. Any questions call Carl Herde, 491-1021 or Dink Hortsman, 479-9859.

CONCESSION DUTY

Friday Stripe Field: Spears, DelVisco & Allen

Saturday, October 09, 2010							
	Concession Stand / VB Gate				Football Gates	#1	#2
8:30 - 11:00	Hubbs	Bilyeu	Koontz	Kenney	8:00 - 10:15	Peckenpaugh	Pike
11:00 - 1:30	Jackel	Kaninberg	Moore	Elbert	10:15 - 12:30	M. Wheatley	Decker
1:30 - Close	Mussler	Kelty	Dolle		12:30 - close	M. Wheatley	Gaesser

Field Set up: Klein & Finn

Sunday, October 10, 2010							
	Concession Stand				Football Gates	#1	#2
12:30 - 2:45	Hennessy	Holsclaw	Marshall		11:45 - 2:00	Heady	Warner
2:45 - 5:00	Jones	Lane	Ingram	V. Norris	2:00 - 4:15	Goranflo	Herde
5:00 - 7:15	Kiesler	Lobo	Isaac		4:15 - 6:30	Arnold	Herm



ASCENSION CONFIRMATION SPONSOR TRAINING #1 AND POT LUCK

WHO: Confirmation candidates & their sponsor

WHAT: Confirmation Sponsor Training #1 and Pot Luck

WHY: Because you have been invited into a young persons life in a very special way. We will laugh, share and have fun while we learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation. We will talk about what is expected from a sponsor. There will be time for the sponsor and candidate to share with each other. We will talk about what is coming up, service opportunities, and provide some practical sessions that may help you communicate on this journey of faith.

WHEN: Thursday, October 14, 2010 from 6:30-9:00PM in the Ascension Cafeteria

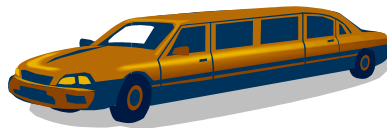
WHAT TO BRING: To make our pot luck meal well - rounded we ask that you bring the following based on the first initial of the candidates last name.

- A** cups and forks
- B-F** Salad (green or pasta)
- G-K** Side dish
- L-M** Desserts
- P-R** Fruit or appetizer
- S-T** 2 liters (2 each)
- W** plates and napkins
- Y** 1 gallon sweet tea / 1 gallon unsweetened tea

If you have any questions pertaining to the Pot Luck meal please feel free to call Cheryl DelVisco at home 459-9569 or cell 593-2462 or cbdelvisco@bluegrass.net Questions about the training or sacrament of confirmation please feel free to call Paula Miles @ 239-8681 or stelegl@cs.com or Martha Tribbey at 451-2535 or mtribbey@ascension-parish.com



The A.Men Club will be hosting the A.Men B.Y.O.B. (Bring Your Own Bible) Bible Study program from 6:30 to 7:30 prior to A.Men Club meeting on Thursday, October 21st. Having your own Bible is not required. All you need to do is attend. Frank Wiedmar leads the discussion. The meeting will be in the Adult Meeting Room. The A.Men Club is open to all men of the parish age 21 and over or non-parishioner males who have children attending school at Ascension. If you have any questions you can contact Frank Wiedmar (fwiedmar@brinly.com, 645-1476) or Carl Herde (cgherde@bellsouth.net, 491-1021). See you there.....and bring a friend.



LIMO RIDE IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

All classes will get Spirit Passes.

Ice Cream Party: 1-0, 3-D, 5-W,
8-F, 8-S

The following students will be in a drawing for principal for the day

Sara Dolle, Hannah Balthrop, Zach Allen,
Houston Mathis, Jacob Collins, Christina Gregory



EASY MONEY SWEEPSTAKES

Date - 2010-2011			Prize Payout	Winner's Name
Wednesday	August	18	\$25.00	Megan Cambron
Thursday	August	19	\$25.00	Lynn Thompson
Friday	August	20	\$50.00	Pete Friedrich
Saturday	August	21	\$25.00	William Hickerson
Sunday	August	22	\$25.00	Sara Boyd
Monday	August	23	\$25.00	Glenn & Cynthia Gregory
Tuesday	August	24	\$25.00	Barbara Wagner
Wednesday	August	25	\$25.00	Diane Church
Thursday	August	26	\$25.00	Rosemary Cavanaugh
Friday	August	27	\$50.00	Ann Stoess
Saturday	August	28	\$25.00	Lillian Blankenship
Sunday	August	29	\$25.00	Jeff Moore
Monday	August	30	\$25.00	Ann Berry
Tuesday	August	31	\$25.00	Lynn Thompson
Wednesday	Sept.	1	\$25.00	Chris Mussler
Thursday	Sept.	2	\$25.00	Pam Fleck
Friday	Sept.	3	\$50.00	Megan Hix
Saturday	Sept.	4	\$25.00	Edwin Yates
Sunday	Sept.	5	\$25.00	Lou Kelly
Monday	Sept.	6	\$250.00	Amy Dixon
Tuesday	Sept.	7	\$25.00	Walter Pendergast
Wednesday	Sept.	8	\$25.00	Linda S Leonard
Thursday	Sept.	9	\$25.00	Les Latherly
Friday	Sept.	10	\$50.00	Mari Knights
Saturday	Sept.	11	\$25.00	Mary Finn
Sunday	Sept.	12	\$25.00	Julie Pennington
Monday	Sept.	13	\$25.00	Doug Roser
Tuesday	Sept.	14	\$25.00	Brennan Greene
Wednesday	Sept.	15	\$25.00	Tammy Gallagher
Thursday	Sept.	16	\$25.00	Sarah Lainhart
Friday	Sept.	17	\$50.00	Susan Walter
Saturday	Sept.	18	\$25.00	Charles Higdon
Sunday	Sept.	19	\$25.00	Janet Gaunt
Monday	Sept.	20	\$25.00	Lillian Saufnauer
Tuesday	Sept.	21	\$25.00	Melissa Sanderfer
Wednesday	Sept.	22	\$25.00	Jaime Mullet
Thursday	Sept.	23	\$25.00	Todd Smith
Friday	Sept.	24	\$50.00	Jerry Clayton
Saturday	Sept.	25	\$25.00	Donald Barnett
Sunday	Sept.	26	\$25.00	Shirley Friedrich
Monday	Sept.	27	\$25.00	Boots Wolfe
Tuesday	Sept.	28	\$25.00	Jerome & Melissa Pascua
Wednesday	Sept.	29	\$25.00	Linda S Leonard
Thursday	Sept.	30	\$25.00	Helen Walter

Book Fair Information at a Glance:



Scholastic Book Fair

Monday, October 25 to Friday, October 29

Open during school hours

(Closes on Friday at 12:30)

*****Extra Shopping Days:**

****Conference Day, Wed., October 20 - Open 1:30- 8:00 p.m.**

****“Spooktacular” Program, Wed., Oct. 27 – Open 5:30-6:30 p.m.**

“Lunch With Someone Special Days”:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Oct. 26, 27, and 28th.

Come eat lunch with your student and visit the Book Fair.

(Please RSVP with the cafeteria.)

PTO Voucher for Every Student:

The PTO has generously allocated the money for every Ascension student (K- Gr. 8) to purchase a book from the Book Fair for \$5.00 or less. Jr. K will be given a voucher for the Spring Book Fair.

We ask that students use this voucher during their classroom buying time.

Credit cards, checks and cash are accepted as payment at the Book Fair. You may also make a list of the books from the brochure that is sent home with your child and return it along with payment. We will send the books home with your child. Checks should be made payable to Ascension School. Purchases are tax exempt. No Tax!

When you visit the Book Fair, you may want to participate in the ***Classroom Wish List Program***. Purchase a book for your child’s classroom and it will be delivered to his/her homeroom with a special bookplate attached acknowledging your donation. Or purchase a gift certificate for the teacher to choose a book from the Book Fair and a bookplate will be attached to the book he/she chooses.

Scholastic Book Fair Week!

You're Invited to Lunch October 26,27,28

Please be sure to visit the book Fair with your child today. The Book Fair accepts cash, checks and credit cards.

Must Be Returned by October 13.

Adults-\$3.75, Siblings \$2.25 Do not include your child in this order.

The Cafeteria accepts cash and checks. PAY IN ADVANCE OR THE DAY OF YOUR VISIT.

STUDENT NAME _____

YOUR NAME _____

Tues. Oct. 26
Lunch Times
Choose One Entrée
Hamburger Bar____
Toasted Cheese____
PBJ____
Cold Cheese Sandwich____
Yogurt____

3rd- 11:00-11:25____
4th-11:05-11:30____
2nd-11:10-11:35____
1st -11:15-11:40____
5th-11:20-11:45____
K -11:25-11:50____
7th-11:35-12:00____
8th-11:35-12:00____
6th-11:45-12:00____



Wed. Oct. 27
Lunch Times
Choose One Entrée
Spaghetti w/Meatsauce____
Toasted Cheese____
PBJ____
Cold Cheese Sandwich____
Yogurt____

3rd- 11:00-11:25____
4th-11:05-11:30____
2nd-11:10-11:35____
1st -11:15-11:40____
5th-11:20-11:45____
K -11:25-11:50____
7th-11:35-12:00____
8th-11:35-12:00____
6th-11:45-12:00____



Thurs. Oct. 28
Lunch Times
Choose One Entrée
Chicken Patty on Bun____
Toasted Cheese____
PBJ____
Cold Cheese Sandwich____
Yogurt____

3rd- 11:00-11:25____
4th-11:05-11:30____
2nd-11:10-11:35____
1st -11:15-11:40____
5th-11:20-11:45____
K -11:25-11:50____
7th-11:35-12:00____
8th-11:35-12:00____
6th-11:45-12:00____

