



ST. JOHN EAGLES



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



SAINT JOHN
CATHOLIC SCHOOL



AUGUST 25 2014

Dear Parents,

One of my promises to you is to provide as safe a school as possible for your children. Last week, the Douglas County Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement members conducted a safety exercise for our staff. The exercise included a simulation of an armed intruder. The afternoon session was a sobering experience. When I scheduled the safety session, my intent wasn't to unduly scare our staff, but rather to help us think and plan for scenarios none of us want to think about.

Our building is kept locked during school hours. We are always mindful of people who are near the building. Please don't be offended if a teacher asks you to identify yourself. We also need your help. If you see someone or something that is suspicious (gives you that creepy or worried feeling), don't hesitate to report it to the office or directly to the police. Let's all work together to protect our precious children.

iPads for Middle School

The middle school teachers need your help! We would love to have 15 iPads for our middle school classrooms. They would be used in various subjects, including math, literature, science and religion. The total cost would be approximately \$4500. Any donation amount welcome. Please contact Pat Newton if you would like to help fund this special project!



Many thanks to the following donors!

Michael and Susan Williams, Kevin Doyle and Jana White,

Anthony and Meredith Lang, Tim and Julie Morstorf

Jen and Keith Conrad, Dan and Nicole Sabatini,

David and Kim Bergmann, Michael and Veronica Hamer.

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SPIRIT DAY-BEACH DAY

Friday, August 29 is spirit Day for all the students at St. John. Students are invited to participate in **Beach Day** by wearing beach clothes and flip flops in lieu of uniforms. No swim suits or tank tops. Participation is optional.



PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Thurs., September 4 at 7:00pm is Parent Information Night for parents with children in grades kindergarten through 5th grade. Teachers will present classroom expectations, goals, and procedures. Parents/Guardians only. A schedule for the evening will be attached to next week's newsletter.

Parent Information Night for Middle School (6th-8th), will be Thursday, September 11 at 7:00.

New Family Welcome

We want our new families feel connected and welcome in our St John community and are considering how we can help this to happen. Ideas include:

- Assigning a family or two to get an after school treat with a new family in their child's grade.
- Meeting up in the park after school with all our new families and some existing families.
- Offering the option of a mentor family to each new family.

If you have ideas or would like to get involved in this effort, please contact Erin Schmidt at erinanddave@yahoo.com.

- Erin Schmidt, School Parent

Innisbrook Fund Raiser August 29-September 22

The PTO Innisbrook Fundraiser begins August 29. This is one of the biggest PTO fundraisers. All proceeds support the general operating budget of the school which benefits all students of St. John School. Sales end September 22. A letter explaining the program and the program catalog will go home August 29.

Ordering is done online. The St. John School ID is #118627. Please consider contacting your out of town supporters.



AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2014

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
25 3:35 Marathon Club	26	27 7:15 am Marathon Club	28 8:30 Mass/I planned by 5th grade Iberia Class	29 Innisbrook fundraiser begins 7-9pm Middle School Movie Night Spirit/Beach Day	30
1 Labor Day No School	2 7:30 am Alleluia Singers (4th-8th grade) 6:30 PTO	3 7:15 Marathon Club	4 7:30 Alleluia Singers 8:30 Mass/planned by 4th grade American class 7:00 pm kindergarten-5th grade Parent Info Night	5 2:50 Cookie Sales to support middle school trips. Cookies available to k-8th grade.	6
8 3:35 Marathon Club	9 7:30 Alleluia Singers	10 7:15 Marathon Club Youth Group begins	11 7:30 Alleluia Singers 8:30 Mass/planned by 5th grade Sabena Class 7:00 Middle School Parent Info Night	12	13 Grocery Cards sold after Mass

Marathon Club

During the summer Silvia Liu completed another 30+ miles which put her over the 100 mile mark for last year! Congratulations Silvia! You too can be a 100 mile finisher. Encourage your students to join the marathon club. We had lots of participants sign up last week, but would love to have more. Check the website or email Mrs Hartwick for more information. hartwick@saint-johns.net

CAMERAS FOR PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS

Ms. Dunn is looking for old (but working) camera donations for the new Photography class. Any camera will do! Give a kid a camera and it's amazing what you receive in return. Thank you for your continued support.

Ms Jessica Dun

Looking Ahead

Aug 29 7-9 pm Middle School Movie Night
 Aug 29 Spirit Day-Beach Day
 Sept 1 No School Labor Day
 Sept 4 7-9 pm Parent Info Night (K-5th)
 Sept 11 7-9 Middle School Parent Info
 Sept 16 School Pictures
 Sept 19 Middle School/Staff Volleyball
 Sept 23 6th to Theatre Lawrence
 Oct 2 Feast of St. Francis/blessing of animals
 Oct 3 8-11 Middle School Party
Oct 13 Grandparents' Day (note change of date)
 Oct 14 6-8th to Literature Festival
 Oct 22-24 No School Conferences
 Oct 28 6th to Benedictine Abbey
 Oct 30 All Saints Day Mass
 Oct 31 2:50 Halloween Parties
 Nov 11-14 7th to Denver, CO
 Nov 18 11:00 6th Theatre Class performance
 Nov 21 No School Auction prep

Many Thanks

Eliza Bellerive for requesting donations to Ms. Koelper's music program in lieu of birthday gifts.

Oscar Schmidt for requesting donations to Mr. Kennedy's PE program in lieu of birthday gifts.

Kelly Farrell, Rochelle Marsh, Tree Hanna, Laura Keating, Monica Dekat, Lois Mersmann, Lisa Roush, John Callewaert, Erin Schmidt, Jean Pfeifer, Amy Cast, Nicole Sabatini, and Meredith Lang for assisting with Back to School Open House.

Brian Schneweis and Cisco Systems, Inc. for their donation to St. John computer system.

Girl Scout Troop 42004 for taking responsibility for the school weekly recycling program and the used battery collection.

Douglas County Sheriff's Office for providing safety training for St. John Staff.

Many thanks to the Maria Milleret family for naming St. John School to receive memorial gifts in memory of Maria Milleret.

Jim McDonald family for their donation to the school in memory of Mrs. Sharon McDonald