

Home & School Newsletter

November 22, 2011



School Committee

The School Committee met last week as part of Common Leadership Night. During our meeting we voted to fund the purchase of 11 iPads to be used by the staff at St. Anthony's School. The teaching staff will be taking a class in January/February on the use of the iPad in their classroom. The iPads are compatible with the Smart Boards which are now in all classrooms grades K-8, as well as in the music room. The teachers are very excited for the opportunity to use the iPads in their classrooms as another method of teaching and working with the students. We, as a School Committee, are very happy to support this purchase and look forward to continuing our move forward with technology.

The School Committee hopes that all of you were able to join the parish community this past weekend, and view the DVD presentation that outlined the needs of our ever-growing parish and school. If you missed the DVD presentation, please take a few minutes to visit the parish website (www.stanthony.cc) and take a look. We also encourage you to complete the survey in the coming weeks. Your input is very important in this process.

We wish you and your families a safe and blessed Thanksgiving.
Kathryn Ascher
School Committee President

School News

On Sunday, October 16th, eleven students in 7th and 8th grade from St. Anthony's went to Marquette University High School and participated in the Marquette Fall Math Meet. The 7th grade participants were Keely Flanagan, Ryan Horning, Ryan Kopulos, Colin Lancaster, Jenna Lange, and Stephanie Rechner. The participants from 8th grade were Taylor Diebold, Courtney Larson, Brett Otto, Gabby Rusch, and Megan Wieber. This contest was for students taking Pre-Algebra and Algebra. There were 180 students participating in this event from the Milwaukee area. There were two tests taken by each of the participants, an individual test and a team test.

Medals were handed out to the top ten percent of scorers, and the next ten percent received ribbons. There were two medal winners from St. Anthony School, and they were Jenna Lange (7th grader) and Keely Flanagan (7th grader). There were also three participants from St. Anthony School that received ribbons. The three ribbon winners were Courtney Larson (8th grader), Brett Otto (8th grader), and Megan Wieber (8th grader). Also, one of our school teams, consisting of Courtney Larson, Jenna Lange, Ryan Horning, Taylor Diebold, and Colin Lancaster, took **first place** in the team competition!

I think this was a really good experience for all of the participants. First of all, we had fun solving the hard, challenging problems. Second, after the competition, we saw four really hard math problems, called the Cube World Conundrums, visually worked out by high school students. Lastly, during the team round, we learned how to work as a team, and learn everyone's strengths and weaknesses. Congratulations to all of the participants!

This piece was written by Jenna Lange with the help of Keely Flanagan and Megan Wieber.

SCRIP

For many of us, Thanksgiving is the official start of our holiday shopping season. **DON'T FORGET TO STOCK UP ON SCRIP**, *Sports Authority, Boston Store, Sears, Best Buy, Macy's, Bath & Body, or Old Navy*. While you are shopping, remember you will need to stop and grab a bite to eat! **DON'T FORGET TO STOCK UP ON SCRIP**, *Applebee's, Olive Garden, TGI Fridays, Chili's, Red Robin or Outback*. If a warm beverage is your preference on a busy shopping day, **DON'T FORGET TO STOCK UP ON SCRIP**, *Starbucks or Panera*. For those of you who hate the thought of tackling the big crowds, online shopping is a great time saver **DON'T FORGET TO STOCK UP ON SCRIP**, *Amazon, LL Bean or Lands End*. No matter how you plan on spending your money, the important part is to plan ahead and make your holiday purchases using SCRIP!

NOTE: if you are planning on purchasing gift cards for the holidays, **please order ASAP! To ensure they will be delivered in time for Christmas**— please order soon!! Scrip gift cards make GREAT gifts for employees, teachers, family and friends for holiday gift giving. Why buy gift cards at the store when you can purchase them through school, with money coming back to school! Stocking stuffers -- ITUNES cards are available!

DID YOU KNOW? Outback Steakhouse gift cards cover many great restaurants. It gives the recipient many options. The card is redeemable at participating Bonefish Grill, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Fleming's Prime Steakhouse, Outback Steakhouse **and** Roy's restaurants. Until December 2nd, they are giving a bonus 10% back to our school.

Bonus Discounts – buy now to earn more:

CVS/Pharmacy 7% until December 9th

Red Robin 11% until December 30th

Bath and Body 18% until December 2nd

The Holiday Gift Card Wrappers (10 - pack) include ten different designs and are available for \$2.00 with a 10% non-profit contribution.

WHEN CAN YOU GET SCRIP???

SCRIP is sold after weekend Mass, after every Wednesday children's Mass or you can download a form from the website and send your PAID order to school with your child. In-stock items are sent home Fridays. We will be ordering from Great Lake Scrip on Mondays, therefore, if we do not have the SCRIP available you will receive it usually within a week.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE SCRIP PROGRAM!

Contact information: Shennan Helbig shennan.helbig@earthlink.net or 691-8872

Buddy Running Club

Buddy Running Club is done until spring...we had such beautiful weather for running this fall...but running on ice can be dangerous....so we will resume after the snow thaws! Our t-shirt design is coming together and will be revealed after spring break! Take care & KEEP MOVING! Love...Buddy

Athletic News

Show your St. Anthony Spirit!! Great gifts for the holidays! Our spirit wear is now available through Burghardts online ordering. Go to : <http://burghardtsportinggoods.com/St Anthony on the Lake> Ordering will take place through Sunday, November 27th at 11:29p.m. Shipments are expected to be in by December 14, 2011.

Volleyball

Players & parents – Athletics would really appreciate your feedback on the coach evaluations. Please help us make our Volleyball program the best it can be...we need your feedback to improve. Also, if you haven't yet turned in your uniform, please send it in to school attention: Amy Miller. Thanks!

Basketball

Here's a heads up about the St. Anthony Basketball Tournament Dates:

7th Grade Tournament - February 9 - February 13

5th Grade Tournament - February 23 - February 27

6th Grade Tournament - March 8 - March 12

Volunteer Opportunities

Tournament Brochure Director

Thank you Peggy Giles for volunteering!!

Basketball Coach Coordinator – come on board this year, be mentored, take over for next year

This person helps to organize the coaches and serves as the go to person for basketball. This position can be done on your own time and takes approximately 3-5 hours per week during basketball season, then tapers off after the season is over. If you're interested in basketball and would like to help, this fun position might be for you. Jeff Guidinger (jguidinger2@wi.rr.com) would be happy to answer any questions about the position.

Tournament Coordinator (one each for 5th, 6th, and 7th grade)

This person schedules the workers for our tournament and coordinates communication to the parents about the tournament. It takes approximately 1 - 3 hours of time. Thank you for your help. Contact Paula Horning at phorning@shorewest.com if you'd like to help. Non-athlete parents are welcome as money from the tournaments are donated to the class for their 8th grade trip.

You don't need to have a child in grades 5-8 to be involved in Athletics. Our next meeting is Tuesday, December 6 at 7:00 pm at St. Anthony's. If you are interested in joining the committee, attend our next meeting or contact Barb Heinle @ 691-0460 for details.

Operation Christmas Child

Thank you so much to our moms who helped out with our school-wide service project on November 16: Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Utter, Mrs. Tighe, Mrs. Helbig, Mrs. Larsen, Mrs. Lopina, and Mrs. Henschel. We really appreciated your help with checking boxes, counting money, and delivering boxes to Divine Redeemer. We couldn't have done it without you! What a great morning we had working together to pack 205 boxes for needy children around the world who may receive these as their only Christmas present!! Please continue to pray with your family for the children who will be receiving these boxes. As Morgan C. in 5th grade said, "I'm very proud because of all the boxes that we packed, and I know that kids are going to be so happy that they are going to get all these things!" If you didn't get a chance to view the videos, please watch online at: <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC>.

Thanks again to everyone for participating and supporting this wonderful opportunity to serve. "Every shoe box offers an opportunity to share the Good News of the Savior with a hurting child."

Gratitude Attitude

Thanksgiving is the most thankful time of the year. You might think saying "Thank you" is just a nice thing to do, but it really can improve your mind, body, and spirit. When children express more gratitude they become more satisfied with their lives, have a more positive attitude, and are less materialistic. Also, they are less depressed and often have a higher grade point average. In order to be thankful you need to have the gratitude attitude. First of all, you need to admit that good things in your life not only come from yourself but from others as well. Also you need to make sure you say "thanks." Who would have guessed saying "thanks" would go such a long way!

By: The Junior Health and Wellness Committee

Music Notes

Our St. Anthony Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday, December 21 at 7 pm in the church. I am looking for some volunteers (2) to assist in the following: concert setup in the church on Monday, Dec 19 and/or Wednesday, Dec 21 from 9:30 am – 10 am/10:30 am. Setup involves transporting instruments, piano, music stands, tables, props etc... from the music room to the church. I am also looking for some volunteers (3) to assist in placing the banner poles in church and hanging the fabric on the poles for decoration. Please let the school office know if you are available for either of these tasks. I also need 5-6 rectangular tablecloths to drape over the music tables for the concert. The fabric should not be a slippery silk. Solid colors or Christmas patterns are acceptable. Please label your tablecloth and drop it off in the school office by Fri, Dec. 11. Thank you so very much!

I am using new recorders this year and they are producing a warmer tone. If you are interested in purchasing this type of recorder for your child at home, I have included a link for more information. **Peripole® Angel Baroque Soprano Halo® Recorder Item #: PB6000 Price \$4.75 plus shipping & handling.**

<http://www.peripole.com/items/view/1018>

By Kathleen Latzke-Daley Music Teacher K-8

Boxtops

Please visit www.forddrivesboxtops.com through 12/1/11 to learn more and enter the sweepstakes. You can earn 35 eboxtops in minutes! I did it and you can too! You can also earn eboxtops as you shop for the holidays on-line. Go to www.btfe.com to learn all about eboxtops. Thanks for your support. Julie Goyette

Please Save the Date!

Saturday, January 28th, 2012

Mostaccioli Madness !!!

Traditional Italian dinner served by the
St. Anthony 8th grade students.
Proceeds to help fund their trip to Washington, DC.
Time: 5:00 - 8:00 (Carry-outs available)
Watch for advanced ticket sales after
Masses in January.

Moe's & Culver's Dates

Double your dollar with SCRIP!!

Culver's St. Anthony's night – Tuesday, Nov. 29th

Culver's St. Anthony's night – Tuesday, Dec 13th

Moe's St. Anthony's night – Tuesday, Dec 14th

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