



Saint Agnes Newsletter

Family Newsletter
September 13, 2023

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Can you feel the excitement? Saint Agnes Oktoberfest is just around the corner - the first trailer has arrived, prizes for games have been ordered, and signs are popping up around Fort Wright. The committee is hard at work to make this the best festival ever. Mark your calendars and keep selling those raffle tickets. You might be a big winner!

~Judy Pieper

SCHOOL NEWS

Author Visit: Next Thursday, September 21st, Jonathan Miller will visit and talk to grades K-5 about being an author and illustrator. You can order personalized signed copies of his books for your child(ren) to receive the day of his visit. Order forms were sent home today.

Library Volunteers: The library needs volunteers to help students check out books in the library. You can sign up for a timeslot [here](#). (You MUST be virtue trained)

Penny War Update: A huge THANK YOU to all our families and students who donated money for our penny war. We raised over \$2100 for our fall and spring service projects!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

September

- 6-29 MAP Testing Fall Session (Gr. 1-8)
- 13 PTO Mum delivery
- 13 PTO Meeting (7 p.m. library)
- 21 Author visit/*Adventures of Sammy* books (K-5)
- 22 Early Dismissal at 11 a.m.
- 22-24 Saint Agnes Oktoberfest
- 27 Potter's Ranch Field Trip (8th Grade)
- 28 Spiritwear Day
- 28 8th grade visit to CCH/NDA

October

- 2 Skyline night fundraiser (3-9, Ft. Wright location)
- 6 Saint Agnes Fall Service Day (for students)
- 6 Family Group Day
- 12 Frankfort field trip (4th grade)
- 13 NO SCHOOL - Teacher in-service day
- 18 Confirmation retreat at St. Agnes (8th grade)
- 19 Children's Theater Field Trip (Gr. 2-3)
- 20 Children's Theater Field Trip (Kindergarten-1st)

Grade Level Family Nights: We had a very successful Grade 2 Family Night last Thursday with 38- 2nd graders attending with their parents. A special thank you to the Boosters who have helped sponsor our new family night tradition! Next up is the Grade 3 Family Night...details to come in October.



Daisy Troop 4583: Attention kindergarten and 1st grade girls! We are starting a Daisy Girl Scout Troop and would love to have you join! We will meet monthly to work toward badges and will sell cookies this year! This is an amazing after school opportunity to make friends, have fun, and learn wonderful life skills and values! Please complete [this interest form](#) by Mon., Sept. 18. Contact Angie Seitz (859-653-9567) or Megan Stwarka (859 -814-6514) if you have questions.

Odyssey of the Mind: Do you have a child who loves to create, design, write, draw, act, or sing? Consider signing them up for Odyssey of the Mind! Kids in Odyssey of the Mind solve a problem in the form of a skit where they make their own costumes, design their own props, and write their own dialogue...and have a lot of fun! This program is for students in grades 1-8 and we can have as many teams of seven students as we have coaches for. Please fill out the [attached interest form](#) by September 15th and return it via Kidmail (Eli Thamann 5R). For more information, attached is a [FAQ about Odyssey of the Mind](#) and the [Problems for this year](#) or email Joan Thamann joanthamann@gmail.com.

Academic Team: Flyers to sign up for academic teams for grades 5th, 6th, and 7/8th are being sent home today or view the form attached [here](#). Please consider volunteering as a coach or assistant and encourage your child to join the team if they like trivia and enjoy the fast pace of quick recall. Please contact Amy Lantz amykilgore18@gmail.com if interested or need more information.

Lunch 'N Learn Volunteers Needed: Please help us by providing lunch for the teachers during their monthly technology Lunch 'n Learn meetings. The first meeting is 9/25. There are about 30-35 teachers in all. We are asking for (at least) two volunteers for each category of food listed [here](#). The food would need to be delivered to school by 10:30 am the morning of the scheduled meeting. If you have any questions, contact Christina Woolley at cwoolley@saintagnes.com.

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AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

Today all students were given a flier listing the many clubs that will be available this year. Registration information for each club will be in the newsletter before the club begins.

Adoration Club: All students in grade K-8 are invited to spend thirty minutes with the Blessed Sacrament. Students who would like to spend time in prayer on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month can sign up for the Adoration Club. We will meet by the school office and walk to the Adoration Chapel inside the church. We will dismiss at 3:45 and parents can pick them up in the front of the school. Our first gathering is October 11, 2023. The focus of this club is to learn traditional prayers and to speak and listen to God through meditation and prayer journaling while in the presence of the Body of Christ. There is no cost to any student other than their time. Please contact me if you have any questions. Mrs. Pieper jpieper@saintagnes.com Please sign up using this [link to my Google Form](#).



STEM Club: Students in grades 3-5 are invited to join the STEM Club. Students will meet once a month to complete STEM challenges. Limited to 25 students. Fill out the [Registration Form](#) to secure your spot!

Super Smash Bros. Club: Calling all 7th and 8th grade gamers- Mr. Dunaway wants you to join the Super Smash Bros. Club! The club will meet one Tuesday per month from September-May from 3-4:00, with the first meeting being next Tuesday, the 19th. All members must have and bring their own Nintendo Switch or Gamecube controller to each meeting to be able to join and play. If interested, students should fill out the interest form that Mr. Dunaway emailed them. This Friday the 15th at 7:40 AM, Mr. Dunaway will then email the students who have expressed interest a form with an official sign-up. In order to ensure that each member is able to play at each meeting, membership will be limited to the first 7 respondents to the official sign-up this Friday. If there are any questions, reach out to Mr. Dunaway at cdunaway@saintagnes.com

Science Fair Club: Science Fair Club is an optional club for any 7th or 8th grade student who has a desire to compete at the Science & Engineering Fair hosted at Northern Kentucky University. The fair takes place on February 24th. Science Fair Club will meet biweekly starting on October 18th. Meetings will be held from 3pm-4pm in Room 302. Meetings will conclude in mid-February. During meetings, students will work on typing a research paper along with different writing pieces needed for their project. The experiment chosen by your student will need to be completed at home instead of during Science Fair Club meeting times. If your student is interested, please complete the Google Form below: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1B8lqXUWDI75CQiyOYz5Z2k1mi_gtXjZCo-R2oCi7SJY/edit

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OKTOBERFEST:

Our annual Saint Agnes Oktoberfest is almost here! This year's event will take place September 22, 23, and 24, 2023. As you know, we need a lot of help for this to be a success! Please click on this link to view the online sign up volunteer page. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4DA9AB23A7FB6-20231#/>

Students in Junior High are asked to volunteer in the Kids Korner game booths, please see use this separate link for 6th - 8th grade students.

Junior High Student Volunteer Sign Up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4DA9AB23A7FB6-2023#/>

Please feel free to contact Lisa Mosley (859) 468-7465 or Annette Ward (859) 760-6341 or email stagnesoktoberfest@gmail.com, if you have any questions about volunteering. Thank you for helping make the Saint Agnes Oktoberfest successful! Oktoberfest Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/StAgnesOktoberfest>

BOOSTERS NEWS

Basketball Registration Open: Registration is now open for Saint Agnes Basketball. We offer the K-2 Instructional Program and Grades 2-8 Basketball. You can register players and coaches on the Boosters website: <https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/saintagnesboosters> Registration ends 9/14/23. Please consider coaching. We will also have more volunteer opportunities as league plans are finalized.

Girls Basketball Competitive Team Coach Needed: We are looking for a coach or coaches for one of our girls 7-8th grade competitive basketball teams. This must be a non-parent coach. Anyone 18 years-old or older who is interested is invited to reach out. This can be a very rewarding experience. If you know someone in the community or you are interested; please reach out to Stephanie Lawrie to discuss at lawriefamily10@gmail.com. Coaches must be Virtus trained and compliant.

PTO NEWS

Meeting Reminder: First PTO meeting of the year is tonight at 7 pm in the school library. If you are interested in attending virtually, follow this link meet.google.com/nzt-oone-qzb

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Mum Delivery Day is TODAY! Pick up is from 3 pm - 7 pm! You can pick up your mums in the church parking lot - there will be signage directing you where to go. We have 2300 mums coming, so please show the volunteers grace and patience as we work through the process of sorting your orders! Thank you for your support and for such a great sale! If you have any questions please contact Laura Mauller at 513-290-3503.

HELP NEEDED FOR MUMS: We could still use more volunteers to help delivery day run smoothly- please sign up using this link: <https://signup.com/go/ZnBtjbL>

COMMUNITY NEWS:

Cincinnati Reds Back to School Night: The Cincinnati Reds are proud to offer discounted tickets to the September 19th game against the Minnesota Twins at 6:40PM. Enjoy our 3-2-1 Night, which includes \$3 Budweiser, \$2 Hot Dogs & \$1 Ice Cream. For information on tickets, click [here](#).

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