

NEWSLETTER

Saint Agnes Newsletter

Family Newsletter October 11, 2023

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

As our school calendar shows, we are entering into a busy time of the year. Enjoy this Friday with your children while the teachers work on strategies to increase student engagement. Let us also keep our 8th graders in our prayers as they enter the final weeks before receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit be with us always.

~Judy Pieper

SCHOOL NEWS

Grandparents' Day - Tell all grandparents to mark their calendars. Grandparents' Day will be November 21, 2023. Classroom visits will begin at 8:30 AM and the performances by Saint Agnes' talented students start at 9:20 AM. An RSVP form will be coming home soon, which includes a section to be completed if the students are allowed to dismiss early with a grandparent. The form can also be found here. If you have any questions, email kgraham@saintagnes.com or jlanning@saintagnes.com. We are looking forward to this exciting day!

Virtue = Strength: Access the October Virtue

materials via this link. Hope

SCHOOL CALENDAR

October

- 12 Frankfort field trip (4th grade)
- 13 NO SCHOOL Teacher in-service day
- 16-20 Parent Teacher Conferences (Gr. K-4)
- 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)
- 23 Pumpkin Patch Field Trip (Gr. 1-2)
- 23-27 Parent Teacher Conferences (Gr. 5-8)
- 26 Grade 3 Family Night ~Pumpkin Carving
- 26 Spiritwear Day
- 30 Kindergarten Family Night ~ Halloween Party
- 30 Lifetouch School Picture Retakes
- 31 Halloween Class Party (gr. K-4, 1:45-2:30 p.m.)
- 31 Halloween shirts/accessories (No costumes)

November

- 1 NO SCHOOL All Saints Day
- 3 Family Group Day-students wear family group shirt
- 9 Confirmation (7 p.m.)
- 10 Veterans' Day Mass (8:35 with reception after)

School Wide Service Day News: Our day to connect students with social agencies in the community was a success. Speakers from each organization came to talk and share how students can make a positive impact in their community and help organizations accomplish their missions.













- Kindergarten and 1st grade packed dessert bags for Parish Kitchen
- 2nd grade made snack pack bags for Parish Kitchen
- 3rd grade assembled craft kits for the Ronald McDonald House
- 4th grade made treat bags for the Diocesan Children's Home
- 5th and 6th grade painted "rock people" for soldier care packages for the Yellow Ribbon Center
- 7th grade made blankets for the Family Promise Program
- 8th grade assembled Advent kits for Saint Augustine School

Veteran's Day: Attached <u>here</u> is information about our Veteran's Day celebration on November 10.

Saint Agnes Edition Monopoly Boards: Get your own customized St. Agnes Edition Monopoly board! (Similar to the silent auction ones at Oktoberfest.) We will be offering the "8th Grade Edition" and a "Wildcat Edition"! We are asking for \$50 just to cover the cost and time to create these boards. The "8th Grade Edition" has game properties and cards specific to this year's 8th grade! The "Wildcat Edition" will feature game properties and cards related to our school across the board! We want all the monopoly boards made and delivered by Christmas Break so we need all the orders in on the website by Sunday, November 5th! Pre-order yours today at Oktoberfest23. Givesmart.com

We plan to deliver boards through kidmail or pick-up in the school office.

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Saint Agnes Golf: Andrew and Carter participated in the World of Golf Junior Golf Classic on Saturday. Their team got 2nd place. Way to go Wildcats!



Living History Museum Club: Challenge your students to develop their research skills and oral communication skills at the same time. Students in grades 5 and 6 are invited to create a living history museum to present during Catholic Schools Week in January. Students will research a historical person, dress up like that person and put on a presentation as that person. Limited to the first 12 students in each grade.

5th grade sign up link (dates included) 6th grade sign up link (dates included)

<u>Appreciative Parents Providing Little Extras (APPLE Program)</u>: Parents signup <u>here</u> to provide little treats for our teachers. Designed for parents who would like to help out with volunteer activities but are unable due to time constraints or work schedules. Treats can be anything from baked goods to candy or anything you think the teachers would enjoy. It is just another way for us to show our teachers that they are special and appreciated. Please note: these treats are for ALL the teachers and staff (38 total). You may drop off your treat to the office any time during the week you volunteer. You do NOT need to be Virtus compliant to participate in this program, but please provide your name, number, and email address. Thank you for volunteering! If you have any questions, please email Heather Randolph at <u>harandolph06@gmail.com</u>.

Lunch 'N Learn: Please help us by providing lunch for the teachers during their monthly technology Lunch 'n Learn meetings. The next meeting is 10/30 and the sign up link is <u>here</u>. There are about 30-35 teachers in all. We are asking for (at least) two volunteers for each category of food listed. The food would need to be delivered to school by 10:30 am the morning of the scheduled meeting. (Remember to count this toward your required service hours on Sycamore.) If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Woolley cwoolley@saintagnes.com.

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Playground Information:

Dear Saint Agnes Families,

We have exciting news to share! After a year of collaboration and planning, we have approval to move forward with building a playground on the field area. Many thanks to Father Keene, Mrs. Redleski, the PTO, and the Boosters for their advocacy and support of this project. A dedicated area for children to play will not only improve the experience for current Saint Agnes students and families, but it will also have a lasting impact for future students and aid in recruitment efforts. A new playground will be a wonderful enhancement to the campus.

As planning continues, we now enter the phase of needing to secure resources to fund the playground project and WE NEED YOUR HELP. Our goal is to raise \$100,000 for the Playground Fund. The PTO will match gifts, dollar for dollar for the first \$15,000. Fundraising is off to a good start, but we need support from families to make this a reality. EVERY GIFT WILL MATTER, and no contribution is too small.

In the coming weeks, you will receive an Annual Appeal letter from Saint Agnes School. In addition to your annual donation to the school, we ask you to consider making a gift to the Playground Fund. There will be an electronic donation option coming soon that you can share with grandparents, family, and anyone else who may be inspired to support this project. Thank you for your consideration and generous support of our students.

Lastly, if you or someone you know would like to make a substantial commitment to the playground project, we would love to have a conversation with you! Please contact us.

Angie Seitz
Mom of Wyatt(2nd), Bailey(1st), & Walker(Future Wildcat)

Katie Kathman

Mom of Reed(7th), Blake(5th), & Collins(Future Wildcat)

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