

# APOSTOLIC TIMES

St. Andrew the Apostle School

PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER    October 13, 2009

***“For I was hungry and you gave me food...”***

*---Gospel of Matthew 26:35*

*In praise and thanksgiving, the parish community of  
St. Andrew the Apostle  
is pleased to announce our continued celebration of  
50 years in Catholic education*

Dear Parents:

As you know, the School provides faith formation and spiritual development on a daily basis to your children. Such is the reason for our existence. We teach ALL subjects and ALL students as Jesus did. The mission for us as Catholics is to show care and concern for the children of God. What makes our school community even stronger is when we reach out to be of service to others, specifically the less fortunate. As you know, the school community (parents, teachers, students, staff, and volunteers) are always learning, praying, studying, and living the teachings of the Church.

This year we focus on Social Justice. We have an exciting opportunity rapidly approaching: Grades 6 & 7 are putting their faith in action, guided by Mr. Irwin, from October 19 – 23 by collecting non-perishable food items for Catholic Charities/Day Break Ministry of the Diocese of Joliet.



We take this chance to “option for the poor and vulnerable” and we recall the “feed the hungry” of the Corporal Works of Mercy when we participate in projects such as this. The tough times we all face in today’s society are more often reminders of the blessings we have, for it is *truly* in giving that we receive, as our Faith teaches, and as the Gospel demands.

The teachers may be assigning this as “homework” in religion class the week of October 19. Of course, this assignment is optional, but the need is great and the cause even greater. Thank you in advance for supporting the social arm of the Church with any donation you offer on behalf of SAS to Day Break.

And stay tuned, there’s more Good News to follow as plans are underway in the School to actively live out the Social Justice teachings...

## NEW THIS YEAR

The Tuesday school newsletter is available for viewing from the Website. Under the parent tab you will see the current issue and for your convenience past issues. The newsletter is posted in a PDF format for quick and easy access. All families will continue to receive the paper newsletter in the Family Folders.

## RECESS DRESS

It’s that time of year when the weather is goofy and can turn on a dime. We make every effort to get the children outside for recess, and we need for you to make sure your children leave home appropriately dressed for outside recess and/or a blustery dismissal (i.e., coats, jackets, etc.).



## HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Enclosed is a sheet listing the guidelines for Halloween. If you have any questions, please call the school office.

## HOT LUNCH FORMS

The deadline for Hot Lunch forms is Thursday, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. No late orders will be accepted!



## PICTURES

Picture Retake Day is Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. If your child was absent on 9/3 or if you want them to retake their picture please return the packet on 10/16. Students are allowed to wear dress clothes for their pictures, according to the Handbook guidelines. They will not have to dress for PE on this day.



## FROM THE DRAMA DEPARTMENT

We are excited and pleased to announce that the Junior High kids will experience a drama production this year! The school has formed a partnership with a company called Lucky Star Productions (approved by the Diocese/Catholic Schools Office) to further expose the kids to the world of theater, music, media, and drama. The play this year will be "Peter Pan." As we are in the conceptual stages of this, more information will follow. We owe a special debt of gratitude to Mr. Irwin and Mrs. Snow for coordinating and supporting this for the kids. "Peter Pan" through our collective efforts meets the curricular goals of the Diocese. Join us as we welcome Lucky Star Productions to St. Andrew School!

## TAFFY APPLE SALE

Help support the 8<sup>th</sup> grade by purchasing these delicious treats. All orders must be in by October 21, 2009.

## MARKETING MEETING

There will be a Marketing Meeting on October 21 at 6 P.M. in Room 107. Please contact Mr. Martin at 815-302-4898 or email him at rm7@aol.com for more information.

## MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The children will be reciting the rosary after Wednesday Mass during the month of October, the month of the rosary. Please remind your child to bring their rosaries to Wednesday Mass. Parents are encouraged to come and share in prayer with their children.



## MANNA PROGRAM

Our Manna program is starting to gain momentum. Please remember to purchase Manna before you go shopping. Remember, this costs you nothing and helps support our school programs. This is especially important for Catholic education in today's economic climate. Forms are available on-line for your convenience.

## PARENT DIRECTORY CORRECTION

The email on the Parent Directory for Matson - Kindergarten should be: charz2673@yahoo.com. Please correct your copy.

## SCHOOL STORE

School Store will be open the first Tuesday of every month. An assortment of folders, pencils, pens, and other school supplies found on the school supply lists can be purchased by students at this time for a nominal fee.



## UNIFORM RESALE

The PTO will be having a uniform resale soon. The date will be decided at the meeting on 10/15. If you have uniforms at home you would like to donate please bring them to the office.

## RED ROBIN FAMILY NIGHTS

On Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> & Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11 A.M. – 10 P.M. the PTO is sponsoring Family Fun Nights at Red Robin, 250 S. Weber Road, Bolingbrook. Enclosed is the form that you must bring with you. Our school will get 10% of our proceeds on these nights. Come out & see Red the Robin & enjoy a delicious meal.

## LOOKING AHEAD

There are Manna gift cards available for Red Robin in the denomination of \$10.00 each. These will have to be ordered so place your order early so you will have them in time for the Family Night at Red Robin on October 20 & 22. Mark your calendar for Oct. 20 & 22 at Red Robin!



### LET'S GO SHOPPING

You previously received a flyer about school rewards from the Promenade in Bolingbrook. We can earn a portion of \$10,000.00 in gift cards. Bring your original receipts to Guest Services located on the Village Green. They will be logged in & the receipt will be returned to you immediately. Receipts have to be dated between 10/1/2009 & 4/30/2010. Remember this when you start your Christmas shopping.



### COKE REWARDS

During the month of October, Coke is offering double points! Don't forget to bring those codes in for the school to get credit. There is a bin outside Mrs. Zilka's classroom to put them in. If you are available to help enter the codes during the day, please contact Mrs. Zilka at [jzilka@standrewromeoville.com](mailto:jzilka@standrewromeoville.com).

### BAKERS NEEDED

We need volunteers to bake for the October Birthday Celebration on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Melissa Davis at 847-212-1776 or [msdavis761@yahoo.com](mailto:msdavis761@yahoo.com)



### LUNCH HELPERS

We need *consistent* parent volunteers to assist in the lunch room each day. If you are interested in helping, and know that you can consistently help one day each week throughout the school year, please call the school office at 815.886.5953 x420 or Bernadette at x303.

### PTO MEETING

The first PTO meeting will be on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M. in St. Mary Center. We want to extend an invitation to all parents to join the PTO. Come out on 10/15 and help plan future events for our school.

### MARKET DAY

Market Day pick-up is Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 4:30-5:30 P.M. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help, please call Jodie Nelson at 815-407-0748.



### CANDY SALE

The money for the candy sale has to be returned by Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

### BAND NEWS

Band continues on Fridays. There is still time to join if your child is interested. Please contact Music on the Run at 630-271-8091 for further questions.

### FREE COMPUTER TUTORING

Did you know, every Thursday afternoon from 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m., there is FREE COMPUTER TUTORING in the computer lab, and every morning from 7:30 until 7:55 a.m. offered by Mrs. Zilka, our E-Learning Coordinator? Mrs. Zilka is here to help those students that are struggling to learn the keyboard without looking at the keys and complete classroom technology projects.



How do you sign up? Just register the day before by e-mailing Mrs. Zilka @ [jzilka@standrewromeoville.com](mailto:jzilka@standrewromeoville.com) and then come prepared to work hard and develop your skills.

### STAY HEALTHY

St. Andrew School has a plan to stay healthy. That means putting into effect a specific plan to stay healthy, including:

- \*Vigorously washing hands with soap several times a day, and more when possible.
- \*Refraining from touching your nose or your mouth with hands that have not been washed.
- \*Covering up sneezes or coughs with the elbow or upper sleeve.
- \*Staying home from school or work when flu symptoms first appear.

ROOM PARENTS NEEDED

We need 2 parents for the 6/7 grade room parents. Please call Mrs. Martin at 815-953-3418 if you can do this.

HELP WANTED

Mrs. Zilka is looking for some help on Thursday afternoons from 1 to 2:30 or on Fridays from 1 to 2:30. If you can help, please e-mail her directly at jzilka@standrewromeoville.com.

BOX TOPS & LABEL COLLECTIONS

The following are the results for the month of September collection of box tops & labels. The 1<sup>st</sup> graders were the winning class. Congratulations!

The winner was determined by the average per student.

Grade	Box Tops	Labels	
PS	14	70	
K	193	150	
<b>1</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>Winning Class</b>
2	74	98	
3	69	79	
4	109	94	
5	105	94	
6/7	24	67	
8	242	151	



Thanks for your support, Mrs. Martin, Chairperson, Labels for Education

*Peace and all good things,  
Mr. Leppert and Faculty*

*May your homes become schools of prayer for both parents and children.*

