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REILLY REPORT

We still have no word on when the H1N1 Vaccine will be available and whether it will be an injection or a mist. We plan to send a personalized letter home when we get the notification. We will include information on how your form was completed to avoid any miscommunication.

Here's another reminder to please call the office before 8:45 A.M. if you need to report an absence or tardy. If your child is sick, please provide us with their symptoms so that the school nurse may keep a log of the illnesses and track the "trends". Our attendance has been great, though we are closer to our seasonal averages than we were a week ago. We have received reports of students with flu like symptoms who are assumed to have the H1N1 virus. Please remember to keep children home until they are symptom free for 24 hours. If your child was home with a fever, please have them stop by the nurse's office upon return to school so we can confirm they are fever free.

Terra Nova Testing will be continuing through the end of next week, with make-up testing to follow shortly after. We appreciate your continued cooperation.

Congratulations to the newly elected officials of our Student Council. Tim K. is President, Chris T. is Vice-President, and Nathan H. is Secretary. This year they will be working on a website that will allow everyone to keep up to date on what is going on with Student Council. We will keep you posted on when it is ready to go!

We would like to congratulate Ryan H., Class of 2009, on being the recipient of a MathMovesU Math Middle School Scholarship. The MathMovesU program is an initiative designed to engage middle school students in math by illustrating the connection between math and their passions and interests. Ryan submitted a project connecting math to baseball, his favorite sport. Thanks to Ryan, St. Ignatius is also the recipient of a grant to

be used for enhancing our math program! Ryan is currently a student at St. Xavier and will be using his scholarship money towards his college education. Information about the MathMovesU Scholarship program can be found on Mrs. Grote's website if any middle school students are interested in learning more about the program. Once again, congratulations, Ryan!!

Lifetouch will be here for picture retakes next Friday, October 23rd. Students who are participating may dress out of uniform on that day. Retakes are for students who missed the original picture day or were dissatisfied with their first set of pictures. If your original pictures were unsatisfactory, please return the package with your student on retake day.

The end of first quarter is approaching quickly. October 30th will be here before you know it. Now may be a good time to check your child's progress on PowerSchool. If you have any questions on how to login, please call or email the school office.

Halloween is only two weeks away! Our annual Halloween parade will be at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, October 30th. We encourage creative costumes that promote healthy imagination and fun.

Since we will be walking around, students will not be permitted to wear masks. We also ask that no weapons of any sort, including plastic look-a-likes, be brought to school. Costumes should be carried to school in a bag or backpack. Homeroom parents will be here to help with the celebration, but it is still best if students are able to put on their costumes without assistance. All students (and adults) are encouraged to participate. Parents, grandparents, neighbors, and all are invited to line the parade route and cheer on the long procession of Saint Ignatius **spirit(s)**! Plan to get here a little early to park and line the parade route. Lawn chairs are optional!



LUNCH MENU

(fruit and milk are served daily)

- Monday Dough pretzel w/ cheese & veggie soup
Tuesday Hot Dogs with baked beans
Wednesday Oven-Fried chicken with corn
Thursday Baked potato with toppings and broccoli
Friday Pepperoni Pizza with carrots and dip

FLYER FRIDAY

- Enchanted Evening Under the Stars
Magazine Fund Drive Thank You
Family Fun Night
PACE Order Form
Wildcat Bowling League
DNA Lifepoint Child Safety Event
Market Day Order Form

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 20 Children's Theatre – grades 3 & 4
Oct. 21 School House Symphony – grades 5 & 6
Oct. 22 Boys Baseball Signups – 6-8pm
Oct. 23 Picture Re-Takes
Oct. 25 Mercy Open House – 11:30-2:30
Oct. 26 Boys Basketball Tryouts grades 2-4
Oct. 27 Boys Baseball Signups – 6-8pm
Oct. 28 Magazine Limo Lunch
Oct. 29 Magazine Limo Lunch
Oct. 30 Spirit Day – Guatemala Clinic
Oct. 30 Halloween Parade – 2pm
Oct. 30 Jr. High Celebration with DJ – 7pm
Oct. 30 End of 1st Quarter

UPCOMING LITURGIES

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| Oct. 20 | Mr. Davis, Room 118 | 9:15am |
| Oct. 22 | Mrs. Behrle, Room 208 | 9:15am |
| Oct. 27 | Mr. McGowan, Room 319 | 9:15am |
| Oct. 29 | Miss McGrath, Room 214 | 9:15am |



Your child's religious, academic, social and emotional health is our primary responsibility at St. Ignatius. In an effort to know our students better, the seventh and eighth graders will fill out a "Pride Survey" provided by the Coalition for a Drug Free Greater Cincinnati. The survey will assist us in assessing our success or failure to convince students of the health and safety value of not using alcohol and drugs. This is an anonymous survey. If parents would like to see a copy, please contact the school office.

SCHOOL NEWS

MAGAZINE LIMO LUNCH TO LAROSA'S

It's pizza time! Students who submitted a minimum of ten Magazine Drive orders will be riding in style to LaRosa's for lunch. Eligible students in grades Kindergarten, 3, 5, 6, and 8 will go on Wednesday, October 28th. Students in grades 1, 2, 4, and 7 will go on Thursday, October 29th. Permission slips were sent home last week and are due Monday, October 19, 2009. If you were expecting to be included in the Limo to Lunch promotion and did not receive a permission slip, please contact Julie Harvey. I'm happy to announce eight additional students who submitted at least 5 orders and were randomly picked out of a hat to go along in the limo:

Vincent C.	Adam B.
Ann N.	Graceanne S.
Stephanie O.	Kylie J.
Simon W.	Karli A.

WILDCATS ON THE MOVE

Congratulations to Owen S., Savannah T., Rylie G., Drew G., Luke M., and Nathaniel S. for reaching the 10 Mile Club. We also offer a special congratulations to Logan N., Abby E. and Liam G. for reaching the 50 Mile Club. A big congratulations to Joseph H. and Olivia H. for reaching the 100 Mile Club. Keep walking!

NOTES FROM SCHOOL NURSE

Several cases of head lice have been reported during the past few weeks. We appreciate the fact that you notify the school of any outbreaks in your family, so that we can keep it under control here. Although lice infestation causes a great deal of concern among families, infestation is fairly common among school age children and should not be associated with poor sanitation. Nor is it necessarily transmitted at school. The most common symptom is persistent itching, often with scratches or rash on the scalp. In checking for lice, particular attention should be paid to the scalp and behind the ears. Head lice are grayish parasites that lay their eggs (nits) at the hair shaft. Treatment involves washing the hair with a special shampoo, removing the nits, and washing or cleaning household items (to prevent re-infestation). Remember, head lice can happen to anyone. The most important control measure is communication. Please inform the school if infestation occurs in your family. Questions? Call Mrs. Seifert at 389-3242, ext 4.

PTO SKATING PARTY

Thanks to all who attended the skating party last week. It was a huge success. We had 247 skaters, which means we earned \$247 for the PTO. That's a great start to the year.

TYSON PROJECT A+

In your grocer's freezer section, look for Tyson products that display the Tyson Project A+ logo. The label that needs to be saved is easily identified by looking for the simple 1,2,3 program steps. Each label is worth 24 cents. Please send in the entire top of the label where you see "Support Your School" and "1,2,3".

BOWLING TEAMS FORMING

Bowling teams are now forming for 2009-2010 season. Did you know that bowling scholarships are one of the main unclaimed college scholarships? Give your child a head start. Sign them up for the St. Ignatius bowling league. Look for a flyer today for sign-up information. Anyone in any grade may join. No previous experience is necessary. We will have bowling etiquette lessons and free coaching available. We will bowl two games every Wednesday at Heid's Lanes from November 4th through March 16th at 4:00pm (only on days when school is in session). The cost is \$6.00 per week (includes 2 games and shoe rental). It is a pay-as-you-play basis. If you miss a week, you have the option of making it up, or just skipping a week. Heid's provides balls and shoes. Call Kelly Reupert with questions or to sign up. Nonrefundable administrative fee of \$5.00 required at signup (covers the end of the year party and awards). Sign up sheets will also be available in the school office. Hurry! Our first bowling date is November 4th!

PTO UPDATE

The St. Ignatius PTO has been very active so far this school year and has many people to acknowledge for jobs well done:

At the beginning of the year, PTO sponsored the Ice Cream Social for new students and their families. The First Day of School Committee is a group of volunteers who greeted students and parents and answered questions on the first day of school. The Bus Buddies Program paired older students with kindergartners and first-graders so the newer students could find the right buses at dismissal time during the first week of school. Many thanks to Kelly Reupert, Kathy Smith, and Janie Oka for coordinating these projects!

Julie Harvey and Gayle Unkrich did a fantastic job organizing the Magazine Drive, which reached its sales goal yet again this year by raising \$44,292 in profits for St. Ignatius School. Thanks to everyone who sold or purchased subscriptions this year and to Julie and Gayle for making the Magazine Drive so successful!

Beth Kemble, Laura Weibel, and Shaune Kurtz have been hard at work on the CB Learns Committee. If you receive phone or internet services from Cincinnati Bell and have not yet completed a form for this no-cost fundraiser, or if you would like to learn more about it, please contact one of them.

Buddy Cards are nearly sold out (and in record time!) There are approximately 15 cards left in the Parish Office and School Office. Thanks to all the families who sold Buddy Cards and to Vicki Wessel for overseeing this fundraiser.

Homeroom Parents are starting to plan the parties your child will enjoy in his or her classroom this year. Lots of moms and dads volunteered to fill that role, and it is wonderful to get such a great response. Thanks to all who volunteered and to Tracie Abercrombie for coordinating the Homeroom Parents project.

About 250 students attended the first Skating Party of the year, which was held last week at The Skatin' Place. Another is planned for March 11 and promises to be just as much fun. Thanks to Janie Oka for planning these events!

For more information on how you can get involved in the St. Ignatius PTO, please contact Jen Langen or Jennifer Klosterman, or come to the next PTO meeting on November 9th at 7 p.m. in the school library. We hope to see you there!

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

Thanks to those Kroger shoppers who continue to support Catholic education at St. Ignatius by using their Kroger Community Rewards cards. Your efforts generated \$2,239.41 for St. Ignatius between August 9 and September 5. Please check the numbers on the back of your card and contact Leslie Odioso if the last nine digits are: 459 034 640; 459 036 982; 523 394 061; 523 395 092; 523 395 332; 766 538 234; 777 908 310; or 777 908 210. Should one of these numbers win the drawing for tuition credits, we want to be able to notify you immediately by phone.

PACE

It's not too early to start thinking about Christmas! Please review the attached flyer for information about how PACE can help make your Christmas shopping a whole lot easier this year. If you have any questions or would like to place an order, please contact Leslie Odioso, Sue Newland, or Carol Lecher.

PARISH NEWS

CASTANEDA GIRLS RETURNING

The Castaneda girls from Guatemala who attended school here last year, will be flying into Greater Cincinnati Airport on Tuesday, Oct. 20th via American Airlines at 5:55 P.M. All are welcome to greet them. They are looking forward to seeing all of their friends from St. I's and getting involved both at school and in parish activities. You can reach them at the Hackman's House until Jan. 9th. Their visits to receive treatment at Shriners Burns Institute are a result of the efforts of our mutual parish relationship with Guatemala. As you recall, their family suffered severe burns from a fire on Feb. 4, 2007. Donations to support these visits can be brought to the Parish Office and marked The Castaneda Girls Fund. Thank you for your support!

BOYS BASEBALL SIGNUPS

St. Ignatius Baseball signups for boys K through 8th grade will take place on Thursday, Oct 22nd and Tuesday, Oct 27th from 6-8pm in the Wildcat Room. You can print the registration form from the website at www.saintiaa.org. The fee for all grades is \$55. If you have any questions please contact Jim McMahon, Tom Barford, or Rob Wessel.

GIRLS BASKETBALL – Grades 3rd – 8th

You may still sign up for girls' basketball. Please complete two copies of a Sports Registration Form located on the Athletic Association web site www.saintiaa.org along with the participation fee and mail to Jim Newsom or Rob Woelfel.

\$30 for 3rd & 4th grades

\$45 for 5th thru 8th grades

Team Selection Dates:

November 2 and November 9

5th & 6th grade from 6:00–7:30pm

7th & 8th grade from 8:00–9:30pm

3rd grade – Dec. 30 from 4:00–5:00pm

4th grade – Dec. 30 from 5:00–6:00pm

ENCHANTED EVENING UNDER THE STARS

The Saint Ignatius School children have been working hard to finish all their donations for the "Enchanted Evening under the Stars Auction" to take place on Saturday, November 7, 2009. Have you purchased your tickets yet? Call soon. You wouldn't want to miss out on all the priceless creations from our very own Saint Ignatius students. Each grade, kindergarten through eighth, are in the process of creating and personalizing a must have treasure. These items include:

Kindergarten - a rocking chair personalized with our very own kindergarten class thumbprints.

1st Grade - a beautiful large ceramic urn for your patio, decorated with personalized thumbprint flowers. You will be the envy of your neighborhood.

2nd Grade - spend a day on the course with your own personalized bucket of golf balls. Each student has expressed his or her artistic talents and individually created a unique golf ball. Included is a Saint Ignatius personalized golf umbrella and 18 holes with a cart for two, compliments of Hillview Golf course.

3rd Grade - an antique student desk refurbished and personalized by the students

4th Grade - the fourth Graders are going "Green". Relax in your personalized student lounge chair decorated in an ecology theme. Whether you use in it in your bedroom or game room while playing your favorite video games, it is a must have item.

5th Grade - a small set of lockers painted in graffiti style by our own fifth graders.

6th Grade - sixth grade encapsured their reflections of their vision of peace, in a one of a kind piece.

7th Grade - the seventh grade has created a one of a kind bookcase that has been decouped with many years of Saint Ignatius memorabilia.

8th Grade - a Westside must - Saint Ignatius Wildcat corn hole set autographed by the class of 2010.

Ask your kids about their class creation and make sure that you contact Barb Campbell at 661-6565 or Sharon Hafertepe to purchase your tickets today!

ENTERTAINMENT 2010 BOOKS

Eighth grade Girl Scout Troop 48209 is selling Entertainment 2010 Books. For only \$20, the books are packed with money-saving coupons for dining out, travel, entertainment, shopping, and much more. You'll not only save a lot of money with the Entertainment Book, but you'll also help support our Girl Scout Troop. Books are available for sale in the Parish Office or from Diane Meeks.

MARKET DAY BONUS

Market Day is pleased to offer Dessert Bonus Days for the November sale with fourteen high quality pies, cheesecakes, and individual deserts. When you purchase three desserts, you'll receive a FREE 12oz bag of coffee! When you purchase Market Day desserts, you can help the youth ministry earn extra profit. Please look for your November order guide to come home today or visit marketday.com to order. If you have any questions, please contact Christy Weber.

ENRICHMENT NEWS

MERCY OPEN HOUSE

Mother of Mercy High School invites all prospective students, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade, and their parents, to visit Open House on Sunday, October 25 from 11:30 am to 2:00 p.m. Parking is available in the lot on Ramona Avenue; enter through the gym/auditorium doors. Come and see Mother of Mercy High School. Register to win a MacBook! For further information, contact Ms. Diane Lake, Assistant Principal, at 661-2740 or check the Mercy website.