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Principal's Newsletter
February 2012

The Saint for the month is St. Pope Pius V.
The Value for the month is Unconditional Love.

From the desk of the Principal...

Catholic Schools Week was a huge success at St. Augustine School!!!! WE DEFINITELY ROCK!!!! We are the BEST Catholic School in Rockland!!!!!!

Thank you to all - Father Bill, Father Varghese, Faculty, Staff, Parents, and Students. We are so lucky to be part of such a great school family. Let us continue to pray to St. Augustine and St. Monica that they shine their graces upon us to give us guidance, strength, and love as we continue our mission to transmit our faith and to provide an atmosphere of academic excellence. Our students shine brightly and light the way with FAITH + FAMILY + FUTURE.

A special thanks to Mr. Heavner, Mrs. Horton, and Mrs. Robert for the great "Movie Night"; and to Mrs. Molloy, and Mrs. Rowe for "Family Night Bingo". I also wish to thank Mrs. Fiore and her group of grade 8 parents for their hard work at the "Bingo Bistro"! SAS is extremely lucky to have parents willing to assist to enhance their child's education.

RE-REGISTRATION – Reminder... Children presently enrolled in Grades K through 7, who are returning for the 2012-2013 year, must return the completed reply form by February 24th along with the re-registration fee. This forms have been mailed. The Activity Fee is due March 16th. When you return your re-registration reply form, please be sure to return the PIP Contractual Agreement as well.

REGISTRATION FOR 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR – Registration for the 2012-2013 school year will held Tuesday, February 28th, 9:30-11:30 am and 1:15-2:15 pm; and again on Wednesday, February 29th, 9:30 am-11:30 am and 1:15-2:15 pm. Please call the school office for further information. We offer both half-day and full day Pre-K 3 and 4 year old programs. Pass on the good news about our school to your neighbors and friends! Children who reach 5 years old by December 1, 2012 are eligible for Kindergarten. Please call the school office to find out what certificates and records are needed to apply for registration.

SAVE THE DATE International Day will occur on Sunday, April 29, 2012 in the school auditorium, 1-4 pm. Be on the lookout for further information.

Thank you Mr. Walter Smith father of Mihret grade 3, Otis grade 5, and Tariku grade 6, for coming in and speaking to grades 5-8 on the subject of photography.

We wish to congratulate our 8th grade students who have received scholarships to Catholic High Schools: Aleksander Piatek received a \$4,000.00 scholarship to Don Bosco Prep, a \$3,500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic, and a \$3,000.00 scholarship to Albertus Magnus; Samantha Heavner received a \$4,000.00 scholarship to Albertus Magnus; Matthew Hawker received a \$2,000.00 scholarship to Albertus Magnus; Erich Christerer a \$500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic; Stefan dela Riva a \$500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic; James Musngi a \$500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic; Stephen Rodriguez a \$500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic; and Cesar Regalado a \$500.00 scholarship to Paramus Catholic. We are proud of our students' accomplishments!

5th GRADE NEWS - Congratulations to our 5th Grade for successfully completing the DARE Program. They had a beautiful DARE Graduation Ceremony on Thursday, February 2nd. We are so proud of you! Thank you, Officer Shannon and Mrs. Guarino. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Busetto, Mrs. Furey, Mrs. Troise, and other fifth grade parents for the wonderful reception that was planned after the ceremony. We could not have asked for a better morning.

3rd Grade News – Christine Meehan has started a Knitting Circle, with the assistance of several other classmates, they are teaching fellow classmates how to knit. They are knitting scarves.

ALUMNI NEWS – We would love to hear from our alumni and publish their accomplishments. Please pass the word on. We want to spread the “Good News” of our students both present and past!

Congratulations to Rosemarie Jacob and Yerin Woo, Class of 2009, who were inducted into Immaculate Heart Academy’s National Honor Society in January.

OUTDOOR RECESS – The decision to send the children out at Recess is based on the temperature, the wind chill, and the condition of the parking lot. If the temperature and the wind chill are above freezing (32 degrees), they will be going out. Please be sure that your child(ren) comes to school dressed in appropriate clothing. **All clothing and accessories are to be labeled with your child’s name.**

SCHOOL NURSE PHONE NUMBER – If you are calling in to say that your child is sick, Mrs. O’Rourke’s office number is (845) 634-7575.

BOX TOPS – Our Student Council is collecting General Mills Box Tops for Education. If you purchase and use General Mills Products, please clip them and send them into school. Thank you.

CAMPBELL SOUP LABELS FOR EDUCATION – Save your Campbell soup labels and other Campbell product labels. Just look for the emblem that states Campbell Soup labels for Education. Thank you for your support!

COUPONS – Sister Diane would greatly appreciate receiving all the manufacturer’s coupons that you do not use. It would be helpful if they were not cut out. Thank you.

While you are doing your grocery shopping, please support St. Augustine School. Both **DeCicco’s and Stop & Shop** will donate a portion of your purchase back to SAS. For Stop & Shop, go online, register your card, and assign it to SAS. Go to <http://www.stopandshop.com/> then CLICK on “Our Stores” then CLICK on A+ and then “JOIN THE PROGRAM.” It’s even easier at DeCicco’s. At check out (before you swipe your credit card), simply tell the cashier that you want your rebate to go to St. Augustine School. Please encourage your friends and family to register their Stop & Shop card for SAS and ask for SAS to be credited at DeCicco’s. Thank you for your support.

Jesus loves me. It is true!

Let me share some ways with you:

He listens to words I say;

He gives me what I need each day;

He gives me joy and lots of friends –

His love for me, it never ends!

He died to take away my sin; He lives so I can be with Him.

Jesus loves me, this I know.

I’ll start a list and watch it grow!

I will keep counting all my days.